

Ascension Wheelchair Lifts

accessibility in action



WHY CHOOSE ASCENSION?



Designed and manufactured with pride in Tucson, Arizona, USA

Ascension's expanded product line features portable and permanent Virtuoso and Protégé lifts!

Ascension lifts have been ensuring the safety and dignity of individuals with disabilities for over two decades. Design excellence, precision manufacturing, and unmatched customer service are our hallmarks.

Revolutionary innovations make Ascension the premier design choice for building owners, facility managers, architects... anyone who wants uncompromising performance. There is no comparison: Ascension wheelchair lifts are the safest, quietest, most attractive, most durable, and easiest-to-use lifts you can own.

Portable Lift Benefits

Ascension portable lifts are the preeminent choice for facilities that need flexible and convenient ADA access, often in multiple locations. Use the lift when and where you need it, then store it away until your next event. Ascension manufactures world-class ADA compliant portable wheelchair lifts with no machine tower or access ramp.

Permanent Lift Benefits

Ascension permanently-installed lifts provide accessibility when you need a superb permanent solution. In addition to Ascension's legendary looks, performance, and reliability, installation requires minimal building modifications. The weight of the lift rests on the floor, and it needs no "pit" for installation.

Lifts vs. Ramps

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requires one foot of ramp for every inch of vertical travel. For example, a stage that is 24 inches high requires a 24-foot ramp. Ascension lifts take up far less floor space than ramps, enabling you to maximize every valuable square foot of your facility.

Customer Support

Every Ascension lift comes with an Operating Manual, Maintenance & Repair Manual, and Setup & Operations DVD for complete product training and orientation. The lift is virtually maintenance-free; all routine maintenance can be performed by the building facility team with no special training.

Q: Who can I call to replace my lost manual or keys?

A: Talk directly with our friendly and knowledgeable specialists at 1-800-459-0400!



Child-friendly



Project Support

Whether considering how to use a portable unit across multiple locations or how to incorporate a permanent lift into a comprehensive building renovation program, we gladly review your specific project requirements. We offer complete architectural, engineering, and project management support to help you keep your project on track.

Patents Include:

• 7,926,618 • 7,721,850 • 8,079,447 • 6,182,798

See our website, wheelchairlift.com, for a complete list.

HOW IS THE ASCENSION EXPERIENCE DIFFERENT?



360° safety for standing patrons

Ascension lifts are the premium choice when you want more than the status quo. World-class venues and small organizations alike rely on Ascension's renowned performance, reliability, and customer service.

Open Lines of Sight

Ascension lifts have a low profile and generous clear window area to maintain lines of sight. Our unique electro-hydraulic drive system is fully contained within both sides of the lift. Patrons can see what's on stage or across the room, or they can talk to their friends while using the lift.

Floor-Level Entry

Patrons enter Ascension lifts at floor level. The lift sits directly on the existing floor; little or no demolition is required to mount permanent models.

High Reliability

All Ascension lift models come with a standard 20-year drive train and 5-year parts warranty, setting an unparalleled industry benchmark. Superior customer service rounds out the Ascension experience, ensuring decades of satisfaction from your Ascension lift.

Seamless Performances

Ascension lifts are designed to be used while events are in progress. The quiet electro-hydraulic drive train means stage performances continue uninterrupted while the lift is in use. Passengers can participate in everyday activities without attracting unnecessary attention.

Uncompromising Safety

Safety concerns? Rest assured! Every Ascension lift comes with a variety of standard safety features. From the Protégé's multiple safety sensors, to the Virtuoso's rigid full safety skirting, you can rely on Ascension to maintain the highest level of safety for your facility.



Permanent Protégé with Upper Landing Gate

Independent Use

Every Ascension lift meets ADA requirements for independent use by individuals with disabilities.

The Clear Choice

If you want clean visuals, ease of use, high reliability, low noise levels, and strong customer service, Ascension is the clear choice for accessibility!

Portable or Permanent?

Ascension Virtuoso & Protégé units are available as portable or permanent units – but how do you choose?

- Portable Ascension lift models feature "1-2-3 setup" by one person. Once set up, the lift sits firmly on its stable base. Leave it in place indefinitely or move it as needed for maximum flexibility. Each lift arrives fully assembled and needs no permanent installation. Ascension portable lifts provide a simple, yet effective solution at stages and for other temporary uses.
- Permanent Ascension lift models are designed to be installed by a licensed installer and never moved. When a permanent lift is required, choose an Ascension lift to preserve the aesthetics of your site. The lift is mounted directly on the floor or pad, with its weight resting on the floor away from the walls – no part of the lift is supported by wall anchors.

ASCENSION VIRTUOSO & PROTÉGÉ SIMILARITIES



Orchestra pits



Graduations

Ultra-Low Profile + 360-Degree Protection

The Ascension Virtuoso and Protégé stand about 3½ to 4 feet high in the down position, and yet the user is surrounded by four protective sides with plentiful window area. This innovative design maintains lines of sight while protecting standing attendants and patrons with walkers from falls.

Double-Sided Stability

The double-sided electro-hydraulic drive system maintains passenger platform stability on both sides for a uniform ride.

Narrow Doorway Pass-Through

Every lift can be compressed to be moved on its own casters through doorways between 35 and 48 inches wide; no compression is required for wider openings. To make the operation easier and more efficient, order the optional Compression Tool Kit.

Industry-Standard Safety Features

- Self-closing gates
- Gate interlocks
- GFCI for electrical protection (portable lifts only)
- Slip-resistant surfaces
- Emergency hand pump
- ASME A18.1 structural safety factors.



Dock plate facilitates easy stage-to-lift transition

Automatic Dock-Plate Transition

All portable models feature an automatic dock plate, which provides a smooth transition onto the upper landing. The overall experience is smooth and comfortable from start to finish.

Panoramic Window Area

All four sides have high-impact thermoplastic windows so passengers can see out and others can see through the lift when it rises. For school use, the view reassures children in wheelchairs while freeing teachers to monitor activity in the lift at a glance.

Low Noise Levels

The quiet electro-hydraulic drive train means events or routine activity can continue uninterrupted while the lift is being used.

Portable Set-Up: As Simple As 1-2-3

1. Move it in place – remember to plug it in.
2. Remove the casters – without tools.
3. Set the height knob or laser reflector – and *voilà*...

One person has now made your lift ready for independent use by your patrons, students, congregation, and guest speakers – in about 5 to 10 minutes!

Generous Platform Area and Capacity

The generous 36"x54" platform is large enough to accommodate attendants and individuals in scooters or oversized wheelchairs. The 750-lb. weight capacity is the maximum allowed by US codes.

Small Footprint

Limited floor space? The small footprint means Ascension lifts only extend about 5½ feet in front of a stage.

ASCENSION VIRTUOSO FEATURES

The Virtuoso — Ascension's "Flagship"

The Virtuoso is the flagship of our lift fleet, available as a portable or permanent model. It has an ultra-low profile of only 44", full safety skirting, 360-degree protection, double-sided stability, 60" rise, plentiful window area, quiet electro-hydraulic drive train, generous 36"x54" platform, small 48"x66" footprint, and an unmatched standard 20-year drive train warranty.

Unique Full Safety Skirting

A durable safety skirt completely surrounds and protects the Virtuoso platform underside at all times, for your ultimate peace of mind! Its rigid, accordion-style PVC slats prevent anything from getting under the platform and interfering with the lift's operation.

60-Inch Rise

The Virtuoso features infinitely variable height adjustment from 12" to 60".

Q: What if I have a 5-foot-high application?

A: The Virtuoso can handle it!

Q: What if the rise is only 1 foot?

A: You may still choose a Virtuoso!



Every patron deserves comfort & dignity



Portable Ascension Protégé



Ascension strives to make products that contribute to environmentally-friendly business practices and efficient use of natural resources. Every Ascension lift uses 39% recycled steel in its construction. Ascension lifts promote energy conservation for facilities, consuming the same amount of energy during operation as a microwave oven or blow-dryer.



Compression Feature

ASCENSION PROTÉGÉ FEATURES

The Protégé — Newest Member of the Fleet

The Protégé is the newest member of our lift fleet, available as a portable or permanent model. It has a low profile of 49", open under-platform aesthetic, 360-degree protection, double-sided stability, 42" rise, plentiful window area, quiet electro-hydraulic drive train, generous 36"x54" platform, small 48"x61" footprint, and an unmatched standard 20-year drive train warranty.



1-2-3 Setup by one person

Open Under-Platform Aesthetic

The area under the Protégé is open when the lift rises for a clean aesthetic. Sensors stop lift travel when they encounter any object.

42-Inch Rise

Do you have an upper landing height of 42 inches or less? The Ascension Protégé may be your perfect choice.

POSSIBILITIES



Worship Facilities

Did you know?

Ascension's portable lifts were honored with a 2011 WFX New Product Technology award, which recognizes products for their application and benefit to the house of worship market. Ascension won in the category of Best Sanctuary or Auditorium Staging Product.

	Ascension Protégé 5442	Ascension Virtuoso 5460
Maximum lifting height	42"	60"
Under platform protection	Under platform sensors	Full safety skirt
Lift footprint	48" wide x 61" long *	48" wide x 66" long
Height of lift in "down" position	49" high	44" high
Clear window area	32 square feet	21 square feet
Compression for 36" doorway?	Yes	Yes
Drive train	Electro-hydraulic	Electro-hydraulic
Drive train warranty	20 years	20 years
Number of people to move lift *	1	1
Number of people to set up lift *	1	1
Caster removal process *	No tools required	No tools required
Height setting *	Laser reflector	Thumb knob

* Portable models only.

Popular Options

- Stageguard
- Stanchion Package
- Outdoor Use Package
- Lift Cover
- Stairbridge
- Compression Tool Kit
- Auxiliary Lighting Package
- Battery Backup Unit
- Power-operated Gates



Outdoor Use Package



Battery Back-Up



Auxiliary Lighting



Stairbridge

CHOICES

Portable or permanent? Protégé or Virtuoso? Architect or school principal? Teacher or church committee member? Whoever you are, whatever your need, our friendly and knowledgeable product specialists are standing by to hear about your project, help you evaluate your priorities, and offer choices that may fit your facility.

As the manufacturer, Ascension sells direct. When you call **1-800-459-0400**, we make every effort to pick up the phone and answer your call personally. We welcome the opportunity to work with you!

Readily Available Resources:

- 3-Part Specifications
- Engineering Support
- Drawing Reviews
- CAD Drawings
- Testimonials
- Product Comparisons
- Manuals
- Videos
- Friendly & Knowledgeable Specialists

Ascension wheelchair lifts are used in a wide variety of facilities, including:

- K-12 Schools
- Universities
- Worship Facilities
- Cafeteriums
- Federal Buildings
- Museums
- Senior Centers
- Hospitals & Medical Facilities
- Auditoriums
- City Commission Chambers
- Orchestra Pits
- Performing Arts Centers
- Courthouses
- Gymnatoriums
- Historic Buildings
- Banks
- Retail Stores
- Fairgrounds
- Hotels & Resorts
- Colleges
- Convention Centers
- Casinos
- Outdoor Amphitheatres
- Municipal Buildings
- Parks & Recreation
- Arenas
- Theatres
- Commercial Buildings



Remote location? Use a fork lift!



Floor-level entry



Safety for attendants, too!

**Visit us at
wheelchairlift.com or, for immediate assistance, call
1-800-459-0400**

"Just a quick note to comment on your terrific product that's being used in our high school building. The Ascension portable wheelchair lift has proven to be an invaluable asset to the school's needs. The very first time it was used in the public was a roaring success. Just the thought of including our students with special needs to no longer go through embarrassing moments of painfully attempting a stair climb was delightful. The ease of transporting our valuable cargo into the spotlight that they so deserved was simply astounding. The care and maintenance of your lift is equally as appreciated as its functionality."

Patrick Downs, Chief Stationary Engineer
Buffalo Public Schools in Buffalo, NY

These Major Facilities Have Selected the Ascension Lift

(complete list available upon request)

School Districts

New York City Department of Education
Los Angeles Unified School District
Chicago Public Schools
Miami-Dade County Public Schools
Broward County Public Schools
Houston Independent School District
Palm Beach County School District
Memphis City Schools
Minneapolis Public Schools
San Antonio Independent School District
Detroit Public Schools
Hawaii State School System
Tucson Unified School District
Perkins School for the Blind
Clark County School District
Peel District School Board Canada
Seattle Public Schools

Universities

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)
Yale University
Stanford University
Duke University
University of Southern California
Brown University
University of California Berkeley
University of Notre Dame
Northwestern University
University of Virginia
Brigham Young University
University of Tennessee
University of Texas at Austin
United States Naval Academy

Public Assembly Centers

McCormick Place
Los Angeles Convention Center
Orange County (FL) Convention Center
San Diego Convention Center
Las Vegas Convention Center
Boston Convention & Exhibition Center
Anaheim Convention Center
Metro Toronto Convention Centre
Washington DC Convention Center
Phoenix Convention Center
John F Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts
Dallas Convention Center
Radio City Music Hall
Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre
United Nations Nairobi Conference Center

Other Facilities

New York City Police Department
NASA - Kennedy Space Center
Marine Corps Base Quantico
New York City Parks and Recreation
Hubert Humphrey Building
Royal Ontario Museum
Edwards Air Force Base
Caesars Palace
The Borgata Hotel Casino and Spa
Venetian Macao China
Los Angeles County Fairgrounds
Hyatt Regency Atlanta
Dolby Theatre (formerly Kodak Theatre)
Jazz at Lincoln Center
Disneyland
The Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine
Hotel del Coronado



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