

# A Social Story Guide to Attending Sensory- Friendly Performances at StoryBook Theater

Come join us – we don't want anyone to miss out on the magic of live theater! Take a peek at this social story for what you can expect when you attend a show at Kirkland Performance Center.

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Above photo from KPC website.

Welcome to StoryBook Theater at Kirkland Performance Center!



When I get to Kirkland Performance Center in Downtown Kirkland,  
I will park in a parking lot near the theater.





I will walk to the front of the theater and go through the double doors into the lobby.



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I will purchase tickets at the box office or if I have already purchased tickets, I will pick them up at will call.



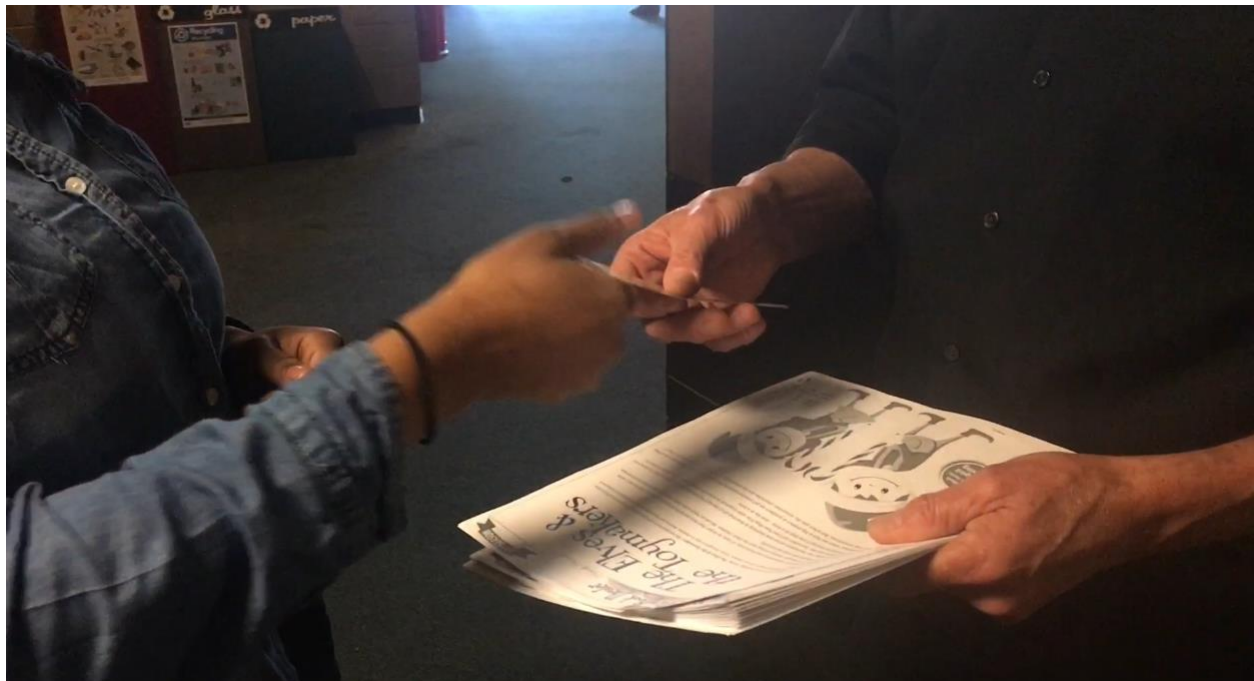


After I get my ticket, I will wait in the lobby before the show starts. The lobby has restrooms, a drinking fountain and concessions in case I get hungry or thirsty. I can also bring a snack into the auditorium.

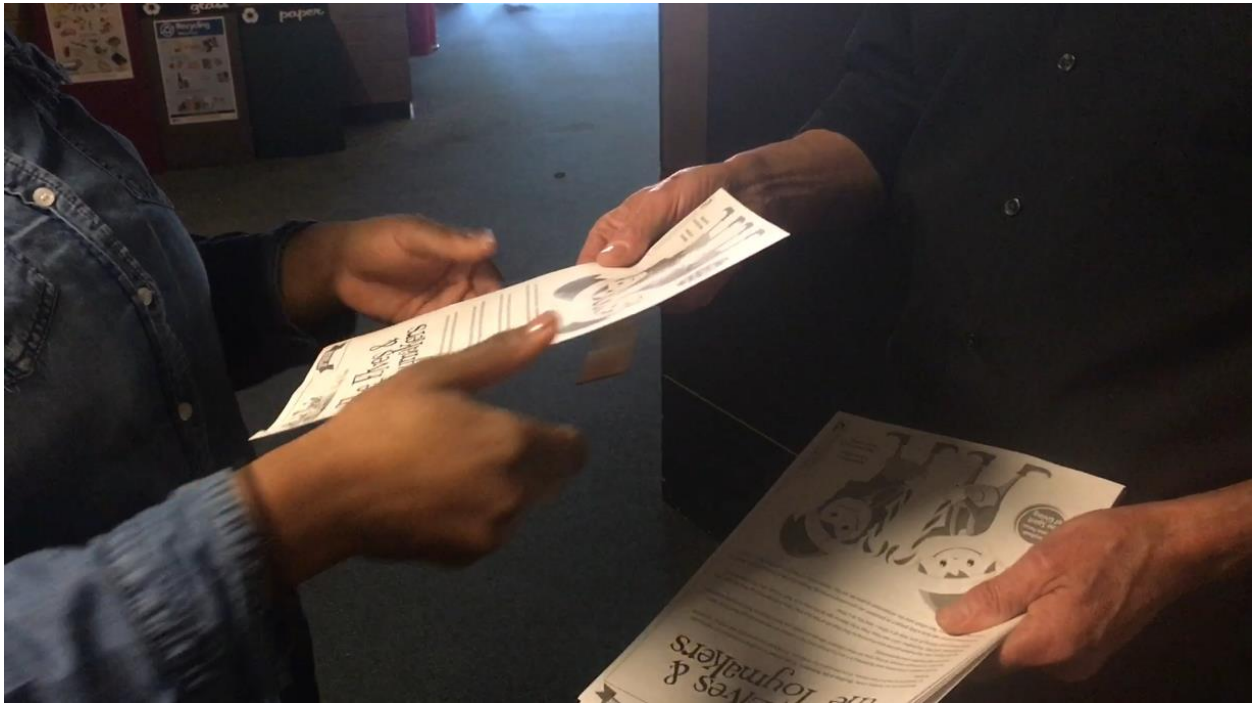




When I go into the auditorium, I will hand my ticket to an usher. They will tear the end of the ticket so they know I was there. I get to keep the big half. The usher will also give me a play guide of activities and information about the show.



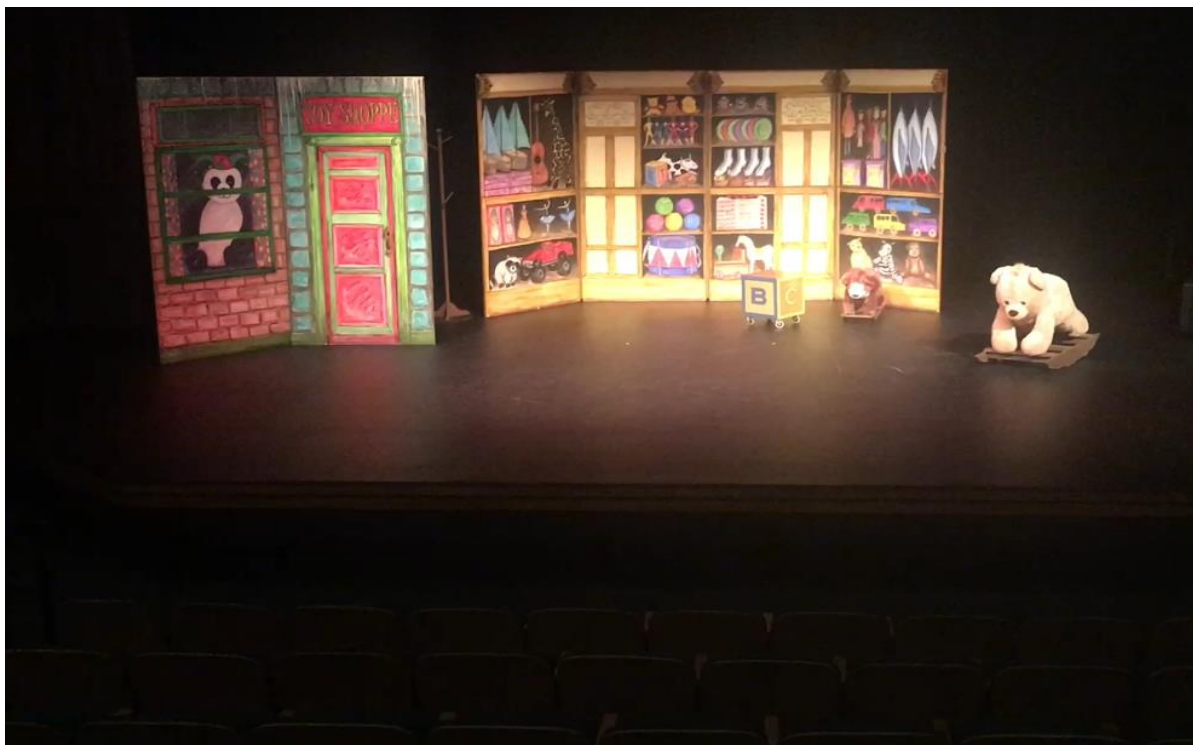




Then, it's time to find my seat. There will be ushers to help me if I need assistance. The lights will be on during this time and music will be playing. There might be noise as other audience members look for their seats.



When the lights dim, this means the show is about to start.



A woman named Susan Bardsley will come on stage and make a few announcements. Then, the actors will come on stage and tell a story through song and dance.





During the show, there might be some audience participation.

I can participate if I want, but I don't have to. There also might be some clapping. I can clap or I can cover my ears if it gets too loud.



During the show, I can play with my fidget gadgets, put on headphones or even take a break in the designated Quiet Room. The Quiet Room allows me to still watch the show, while having some space.





I can also take a break in the lobby, where there are benches and chairs to sit on.





At the end of the show, the actors will bow, answer a few questions, and wave goodbye. If I want to, I can go up afterwards and meet them and get their autographs.



If I don't wish to meet the actors, I will leave the auditorium up the stairs. It might be a little crowded, but I can take my time. I will walk out of Kirkland Performance Center the same way I came in.

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