Indiana Repertory Theatre
Mainstage Theatre

Social Narrative– Public Performance

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This guide was created for patrons preparing to attend a performance at Indiana Repertory Theatre (IRT) and their caregivers. Additional information about a Sensory-Friendly specific performance can be found on our website at: http://www.irtlive.com/your-visit/accessibility If you need any additional photos, information about your trip to IRT, or information about IRT's access services, please contact:

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For the full list of parking and transit options, please visit www.irtlive.com/your-visit/parking.

When you arrive at the theatre,
you will enter through the blue doors.

If you need to pick up your tickets, you can pick them up at the Ticket Office just inside the blue doors.

There may be a line when you arrive.

You can enter the lobby from either the right side of the Ticket Office.
If you need a ramp, you can enter the lobby from the left side.

When you go into the lobby, an usher will scan your ticket. The scanner will make a beeping sound as your ticket is scanned.

IRT staff will be in the lobby if you need help. They will be wearing IRT nametags.

The theatre has two floors. If your seat is on the Mezzanine level, you can take the stairs in the Grand Lobby or the elevator (by the Ticket Office) to get upstairs.

The Mezzanine has costume displays from other shows. You can look at the costumes or touch them gently if you would like.

If you want to drop off your coat or request a sensory support for the show (like a fidget or noise-canceling headset), you can do so at our Coat Check in the Grand Lobby.

There are concession stands where you can purchase food or drink. Food or drink is not allowed in the theatre.

There are restrooms in the Grand Lobby and on the Mezzanine.

There is one water fountain in the Grand Lobby and one on the Mezzanine.

Before some performances, there will be a pre-show chat that will take place inside the theatre. A staff member or other expert will be onstage to talk about the show and give audience members additional context about the show they are about to see. You can:

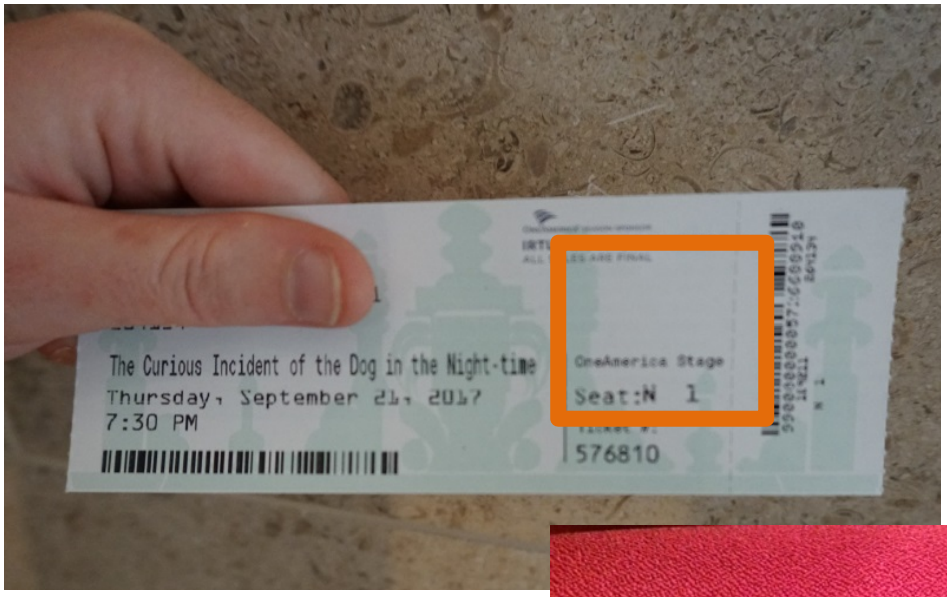
- Enter the theatre and listen to the chat

-Stay in the Lobby before the show begins

An usher will ring a bell when it's time to enter the theatre.
The ushers will be there to give you a program and help you find your seat.

There are 11 steps on the Main Floor and 8 in the Mezzanine. These stairs might be longer than others, and you may have to take 2-3 steps before reaching the next stair.

Your ticket will have the row and seat number for where you will sit during the show. You might sit next to someone you don't know if the theatre is crowded.



During the show, you are welcome to exit the theatre at any time. You might need to wait a few moments before returning to the theatre. An usher will tell you when you can enter the theatre and can walk you back to you seat if you need help.

If you need a break during the performance:

You can sit in the Grand Lobby where you can watch the show from a television monitor.

Additional options are available if you are attending a sensory-friendly performance. Please visit http://www.irtlive.com/your-visit/accessibility for a full list of options.

Sometimes, a play will include a 15-mintue intermission. If you are unsure if the show you are seeing has an intermission, you can ask the Ticket Office or an usher. At intermission, you can return to the lobby to:

- Use the restrooms

- Purchase food or drink from the concession stand

- Look or touch the displays in the Mezzanine

You are also welcome to stay in your seat.
Please do not sit or stand on the stage.

A bell will ring when it’s time to enter the theatre for the second part of the show.

When the show is over, you are welcome to clap with the other members of the audience as a way to thank the performers, or you can choose not to.

Sometimes, a post-show discussion will take place after a play. During a post-show discussion, people will talk about the show and answer questions. You can:

- Move closer to the stage
- You can wait in your seat until most others have left
- You can also choose to leave

When the show is over and others in the audience get up to leave, the stairs might be crowded. You are welcome to wait in your seat until it is less crowded in the theatre.

We hope you have a wonderful visit at IRT!