



..... *i am going to...*

PENNSYLVANIA SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

RELAXED PERFORMANCE PRE-VISIT STORIES





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I am going to Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival at the Labuda Center for the Performing Arts to see a play.



LOBBY

When I get inside the building, I may have to wait in the lobby before the play starts.

The lobby might be crowded and noisy.

There is a break space if I need a break from the lobby noise and crowds.

I can also go outside if the weather is not rainy or cold.



BOX OFFICE

I will need a ticket to see the play.

I may have to wait in line to get the tickets from the box office.

I will give my ticket to the usher at the door of the theatre.



BATHROOM

I can get to the bathroom from the lobby.

I can use the bathroom anytime during the play.

The toilets in the bathroom flush automatically.



USHER

Ushers are friendly helpers who will:

1. take my ticket, and
2. tell me where I will sit to see the play.



SCHUBERT THEATRE

I am going into the Schubert Theatre to see the play.



INSIDE THE THEATRE

When I go inside the theatre, I will see lots of seats and the stage where the play will be performed.



TICKET

I give my ticket to the usher when I go into the theatre.



SEAT

When I get inside the theatre, I can sit in a chair or on the carpet near the stage.

I can sit on the carpet near the stage only if there is an open spot.

If there is not any open spots on the carpet, I will sit in a chair.



PLAY

A play is a story that is told by people on the stage.

The people in a play are called actors.

The actors pretend to be characters during the play.



ACTORS IN THE AISLE

The actors will walk and run in the aisles and walkways during the play.

When an actor is in the aisles and walkways, I will remain sitting or standing where I am until the actors move past me.



CLAPPING

People will clap during the play.

I can clap if I like what I see or hear.

People clap for a short time.

I can cover my ears if the clapping is too loud.



END OF PLAY

When the play is over, all the actors will come on the stage and bow.

This is called a curtain call.

Many people will clap to let the actors know how much they liked the play.



LEAVING

When the play is over, I will leave the theatre.

The lobby will be crowded after the play.

The actors will be in the lobby after the play.

I can talk to the actors and get their autograph if I want to.

I may have to wait my turn to meet the actors.

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