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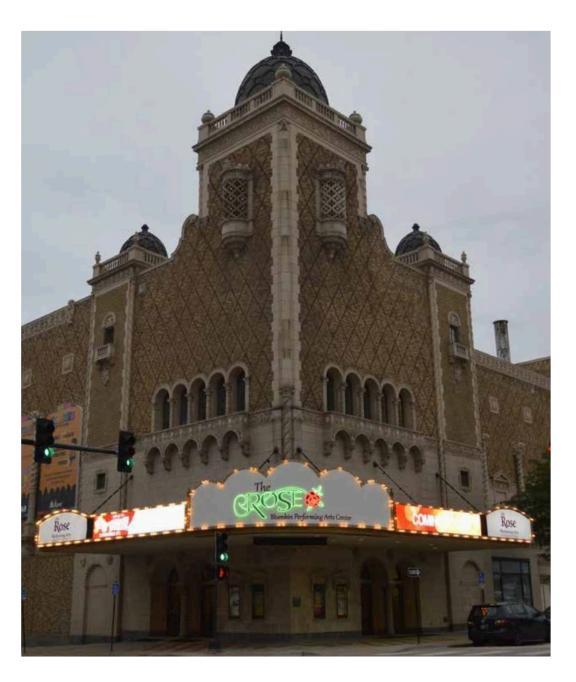


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I am going to The Rose Theater, located in downtown Omaha! I'm going to see **Charlie and the Chocolate Factory**!

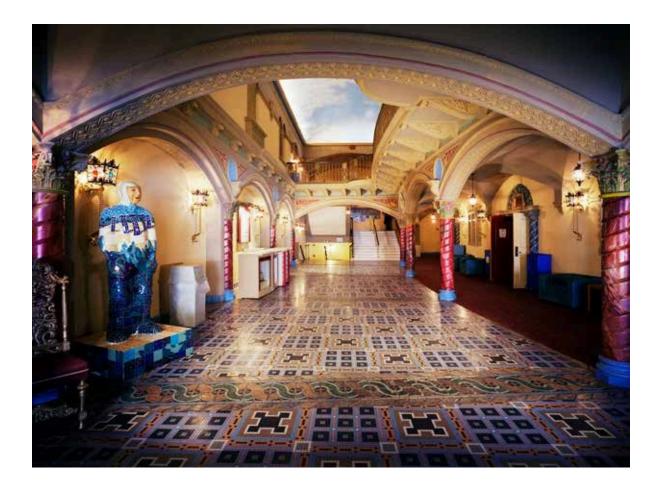
Once we get there, the outside of the theater will look like this:



As soon as we're ready, we'll go inside the building.

Once we go through the doors we'll be in the Lobby.

Which looks like this:



The lobby is a large room where we get our tickets, use the restrooms, and wait for the auditorium doors to open.

I'll wait patiently with my adult while we get our tickets.

Once we get our tickets, we'll either go through the auditorium doors from the lobby and find our seats





OR we might go upstairs and find seats in the balcony. For this show, our seat number will be on our ticket.

The theater is very large and has a lot of chairs. There might be a lot of people waiting for the show to get started. I'll make sure to stay with my adult.



Once I'm in the theater, I might hear different instruments playing. This show has live musicians called an orchestra. They play music that the actors will sing along with.



Before the show starts, the musicians might be practicing. If I don't like how loud it is: I can cover my ears with my hands or ask my adult to get me some headphones. We can also wait in the lobby until the show starts.

We can either wait in our seats for the show to start or we can also visit the "wiggle room' which is a classroom right off of the lobby. This room isn't as crowded or noisy as the auditorium or lobby might be.



If I need to go to the bathroom before, after, or during the show, I will let my adult know.

If we are sitting upstairs in the balcony, we'll go down the stairs and the bathrooms will be right there!





If we are sitting on the main floor, we'll go downstairs to the basement bathrooms.

This show will also have a break in the middle. This is called an intermission. I can use the bathroom during this time, or stand up and stretch.

Before the show starts and once I've found my seat I can talk to the members in my group. But I must stay sitting and keep my hands and feet to myself.



I'll know the show is about to begin when a Rose staff member walks on to the stage. They will make an announcement to let us know the show is going to start.

Once they are done speaking, I'll hear a lot of instruments start playing the first song and the lights will dim around me. I am safe.



Once the show starts, I will be a good audience member. This means I will be quiet and watch the stage.

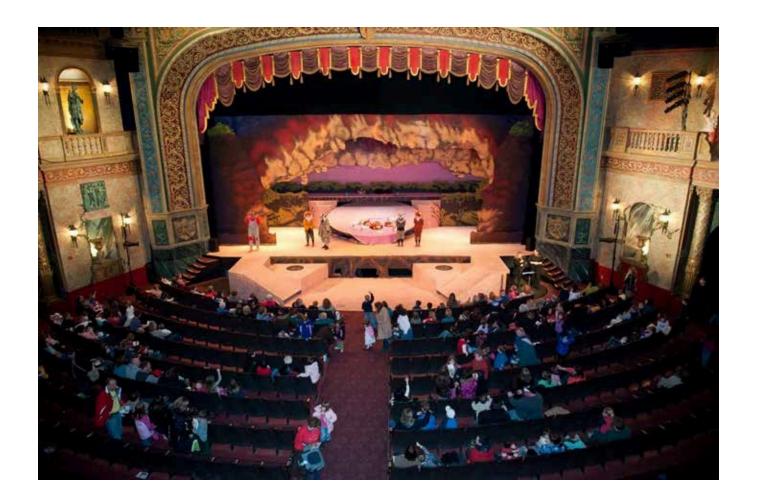
If at any point during the performance things get too loud or I need to take a break, I'll let my adult know and we can go to the wiggle room.



The performance will also be on a TV screen in the wiggle room.

We can stay in this room until I feel better.

Seeing a performance at a theater is like seeing a movie.



In live theater, the people performing will be right in front of me on stage. They are called actors.

Actors pretend they are characters to tell us a story. It's important to remember that while a character might be scary or mean, the actor playing them is really nice and it is just pretend.



The next 7 pages will go into some story details of



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Charlie Bucket is a kind, poor child who lives with his mom and four grandparents in a small house.



One day, the famous candy maker, Willy Wonka, announces he has hidden five golden tickets in his chocolate bars.



The five kids who find these tickets will get to tour his topsecret chocolate factory and one of those lucky kids will receive a lifetime supply of candy! Four children from around the world find the first four tickets by buying millions of chocolate bars.



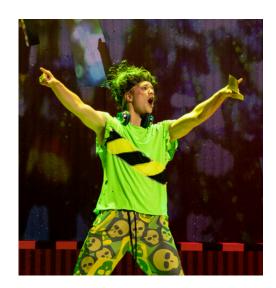
Augustus Gloop, a greedy child who loves eating.



Violet Beauregarde, a child who chews gum constantly and is the Queen of Pop.



Veruca Salt, a demanding child whose parents give her everything.



Mike Teavee, a child obsessed with watching television.

Against all odds, Charlie finds the last golden ticket!



On the tour day, the children are led into Wonka's magical factory filled with crazy candy inventions and little workers called Oompa Loompas.



One by one, the four spoiled children disobey Mr. Wonka's rules and suffer outrageous punishments. Only Charlie listens to Mr. Wonka.









Even though these punishments seem extreme and scary, I know that in real life the actors are safe and so am I. In fact, I will get to see them again as soon as the show is finished!

At the end, Mr. Wonka's reveals that the tour was a test and he giving his Chocolate Factory to Charlie because he was the kindest child with a big imagination.



Charlie's family moves into the Chocolate Factory to live happily ever after!

At the very end of the show, all of the actors will come out on stage and the orchestra will play more music.

This is called a curtain call.

The actors will take a bow and I can clap to let them know I enjoyed the show.



Once the curtain call is over, the lights will come up. I can leave with my adult, or I can stay for a question & answer session with a couple of the actors. We can also go up to the balcony lobby where I can meet a couple of the actors and get their autographs.



The questions & answer session will take place in the theater. I can move and find a seat with my adult in the first couple of rows so I can be closer to the stage and ask the actors questions.

After the show is over I will leave The Rose. I can talk to my friends and family about all the fun things I saw in the show.





Everyone at The Rose Theater hopes I have a great time at the show and is looking forward to seeing me soon!



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