THE SMITH CENTER
FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

Pre-Visit Guide for Attending a Sensory Friendly Performance

TROESH STUDIO THEATER
This is The Smith Center for the Performing Arts.

The Smith Center is located in downtown Las Vegas and has music, theater, and dance performances all year long.

There are three performance spaces at The Smith Center:

1. Reynolds Hall
2. Myron’s Cabaret Jazz
3. Troesh Theater

For more information about The Smith Center, I can look on the website. One of these web addresses will give me the information that I am looking for:

- http://www.TheSmithCenter.com/
- http://www.TheSmithCenter.com/your-visit/directions-parking/
- http://www.TheSmithCenter.com/your-visit/accessibility-information/
To get to The Smith Center, my family might take a car or a bus.

My family will know the best way for us all to get to the theater together.

*Parents: Please check most recent Project Neon updates and plan your driving route ahead of time.
When we get to the theater, we might park our car in a parking lot or in the parking garage.
There might be people wearing bright yellow vests around to help us park or cross the street.

These helpers are called Event Staff.

If we need assistance getting from our parking location to the theater, we can ask Event Staff for assistance.
The show I am seeing is inside of the Boman Pavilion.

The Boman Pavilion holds two of the three performance spaces at The Smith Center.

The show I will see is in Troesh Studio Theater.

You may enter the building through one of these doors.
If we want to buy tickets the day of the show, we will visit the Box Office.

If we buy our tickets prior to the show, we might need to pick up our tickets from Will Call which is located inside the Box Office.

When it is our turn, we will tell the person behind the counter our names and they will hand us our tickets. Now we can go to see the show!
Ushers

Once we have our tickets, we can enter the building.

An usher will greet me when I enter. Ushers are friendly people who will scan tickets, help people find their seats, and hand out programs.

If I need assistance or information during my visit to The Smith Center, I can ask an usher.
For our safety, we will be asked to pass through safety scanners on our way in to the lobby.

The scanners do not make any sounds or produce any lights.

Passing through the scanners is just like entering through any door or going down a walkway.

Everyone attending the performance will be asked to go through the safety scanners so we can all have a safe and enjoyable visit to the theater.
The ushers will need to look at my ticket to tell me where to sit.

Before they can seat me, they will ask to scan my ticket.

The scanner makes a quiet chiming noise every time a ticket is scanned.

The scanner keeps track of how many people are going into the theater.

The Troesh Studio Theater holds up to 240 seats.

I can listen to what the ticket scanner sounds like when my ticket is scanned by clicking on the sound image below:
Inside the Theater

The doors will open for us to go inside of the theater 30 minutes before the show begins.

An usher can help us to get inside if we need help.

Sometimes the seats are assigned for you at a theater performance.

For this performance, we will be able to pick our seats when we get inside the theater!
My Seat

For the performance of, we can pick where we sit.

There may be other families sitting around me who I do not know.

They are there to see the show just like us!
Sometimes I will have to sit and wait for the show to begin.

While I wait, I can talk to my family or do a quiet activity I enjoy.

When the show starts, I will do my best to watch the show quietly.

The show might remind me of happy, sad, excited, or scared feelings.

I can clap, laugh, or talk quietly to my family during the show to help me understand how I am feeling.
When I am sitting, sometimes another person or a family might need to move past me for a moment to go to their seats or to the bathroom.

If someone is in my path, I can ask them nicely to let me pass so I can get to where I am going.
If I need some quiet time, it is okay for me to leave the theater with my family.

I can sit in the lobby or I can go for a walk outside with my family.

There will also be spaces set up where I can color or just take a break.

I am welcome to use this space at any time.
If I need to use the bathroom, I can let the people I am with know.

I can go to the bathroom any time I need to.

The toilet has a motion sensor to detect a person’s movement.

The toilet flushes automatically when I move away from the motion sensor.
At the end of a show, people might clap to let the performers know they liked the performance.

If I get overwhelmed by the noise, it is okay to cover my ears.
After the show is over, everyone will leave the theater at the same time.

I might have to wait in a line.

I will wait patiently and walk slowly.

I can talk when we leave the theater.
We look forward to your visit!

We hope you enjoy the show.

Thank you!
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