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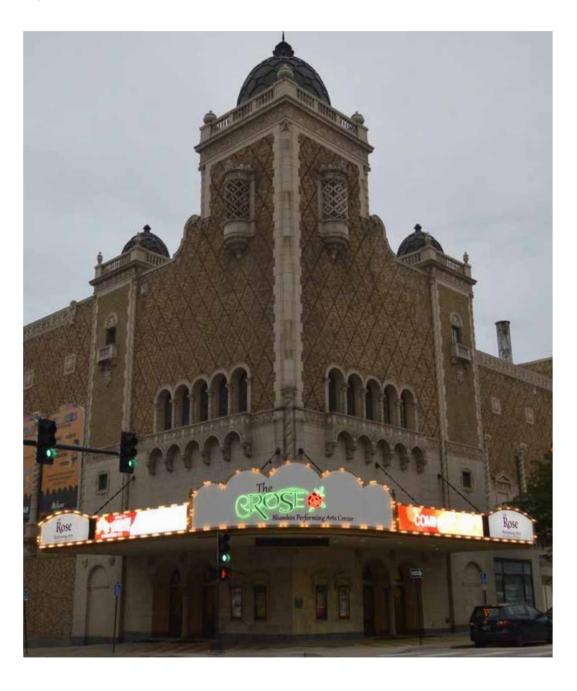


Opening Night Sponsor:



I am going to The Rose Theater, located in downtown Omaha! I'm going to see **Bob Marley's Three Little Birds**!

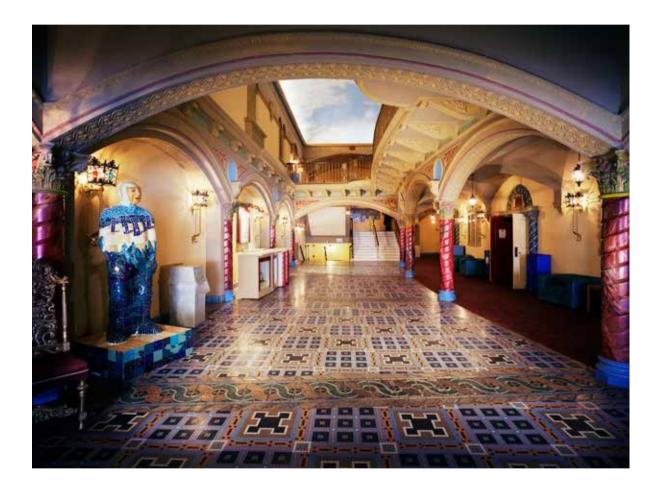
Once we get there, the outside of the theater will look like this:



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, we get to pick our seats once we get inside the auditorium

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.



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. 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 feel to myself.



Once the lights begin to dim and an announcement is played over the speakers I will know that the show is about to start.

It's important to remember that even thought the lights are getting darker and there may be a loud voice that I don't have to be scared; 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 9 pages will go into some story details of



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## Three Little Birds is a story about a boy named Ziggy who lives in Jamaica!



Ziggy much prefers to stay inside and watch TV. His mother, Cedella, friend, Nansi, and the birds of the island really want Ziggy to play and have fun outside.

But Ziggy is scared of the outside - he does not like bugs or the evil spirit, Duppy.



I can hear the sounds of birds and bugs, but I know they are just pretend. There are no birds or bugs inside and I am safe. This is the evil bird spirit, Duppy. Duppy gets his power from hair and he really wants Ziggy's hair.





The actor playing Duppy is actually very nice in real life. He is just pretending to be mean for the story. I am always safe. Nansi has a pet spider. Nansi shows her friend Ziggy the spider, and Ziggy gets scared.



The spider Nansi is holding is fake - it's only a toy.

Duppy sees Nansi and Ziggy playing outside. Duppy will come through the audience to get on stage to try and grab Ziggy.



I know that the actors are safe and just pretending to tell a story. I am also safe.

While playing outside, Nansi and Ziggy get into a fight and yell at each other.



I know that they are just pretending and no one is actually mad in real life.

While outside, mangoes fall on Nansi and Ziggy.



The mangoes only look like they hurt them. I know Nansi and Ziggy are safe and the mangoes don't actually hurt them.

## Duppy Finds Nansi and Ziggy. Nansi and Ziggy run into the audience to get away.



The actors might get close to me, but I will stay in my seat so I am safe. I know the actors are also safe and just pretending to need help.

## Ziggy and Nansi make it home safe! Ziggy learned that even though he is worried, everything will be alright!



To celebrate, the actors on stage sing, dance, and clap! I can dance, sing, and clap along with them if I want to.

After they celebrate, the actors will take turns bowing. This is called curtain call and happens at the end of every show! I can clap to let the actors know that I liked the show.

When the actors are done bowing and go offstage, I can wave goodbye to them from my seat!



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.



The question & 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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