

Charlotte's Web

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I am going to The Rose Theater, located in downtown Omaha!
I'm going to see **Charlotte's Web!**

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

As I am entering the theater, a Rose Staff member or volunteer will give me a spider ring. It's okay if I don't want to take it, but if I do I get to keep it.



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 feet 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 though 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

Charlotte's Web

The title "Charlotte's Web" is written in a black, cursive font. The letter 'C' in "Charlotte's" has a spider web pattern inside it. The letter 'W' in "Web" also has a spider web pattern inside it. A small black spider is positioned at the bottom right of the word "Web", with a vertical line extending upwards from its body to the letter 'e'.

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This play is about a young pig named Wilbur, and his friend Charlotte, a spider.



Wilbur

Charlotte

Wilbur is born on the Arable Farm. He is born very small and the farmer Mr. Arable does not want him.



Fern, Mr. Arable's daughter, will not let her father give up on Wilbur. Mr. Arable allows Fern to take care of Wilbur. Wilbur grows into a strong piglet.

Mr. Arable tells Fern that Wilbur has to go stay at another farm. The Zuckerman's farm. Fern is allowed to visit Wilbur anytime.



Wilbur grows even more while at Zuckerman's Farm. Mr. Zuckerman, the farmer, wants to kill Wilbur for food.

At the Zuckerman farm, Wilbur meets Charlotte, a spider. Charlotte has a great idea on how to save Wilbur.



Charlotte begins spelling out words in her web that describe Wilbur. When the humans see this, it makes Wilbur famous!

The Zuckermans take Wilbur to a fair. Charlotte comes with and helps Wilbur win a prize, which guarantees that Wilbur will live and not be killed for food.



Then something sad happens. Charlotte reaches the end of her life and passes away. But Charlotte was able to lay her eggs before that happened.



Wilbur is very sad that his friend Charlotte has died until Charlotte's eggs hatch and all of Charlotte's babies remind Wilbur how lucky he was to have Charlotte as a friend.



Some of Charlotte's babies stay at the farm to live with Wilbur. This makes Wilbur feel much better. The rest of Charlotte's babies leave to start their own lives and make their own friends.

At this time you can raise your spider rings in the air that you were given as you came into the theater. Now, you get to pretend you are one of Charlotte's baby spiders.



At the very end of the play, all of the actors will come out on stage and bow. This is called a curtain call.



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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