

Tip Sheet for Fort Wayne Ballet:

Sensory Friendly Performance



We are thrilled for your upcoming experience at the ballet!

Arts United Center
303 E Main Street, Downtown Fort Wayne



The performance is held at the Arts United Center. Parking is available in the lot adjacent to the Arts United Center and the Fort Wayne Museum of Art. *This event will likely exceed capacity for this lot.* The metered spots on the city streets are free weekdays after 5pm and on weekends.

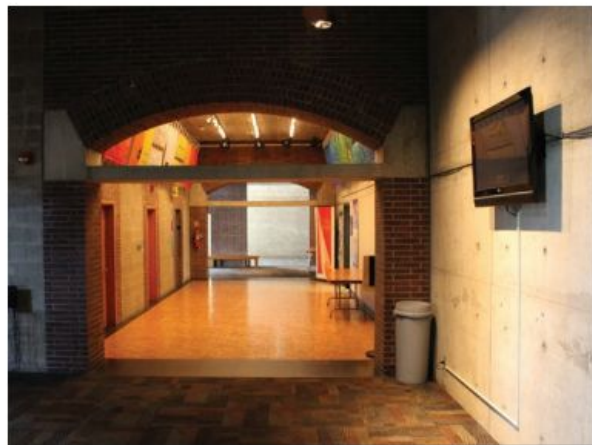
You will be able to drop people off at the main entrance prior to parking.



You will enter through the Arts United Center front Box Office vestibule and then go to your right to enter the theatre.



Entrances to the theatre are designated by rows and it is easy to move up or down as needed once in the theatre.



A corridor in the lobby runs between house left and house right entrances to the theatre space. Flat screens are located on either side and you will be able to watch the show on the flat screens, although there is no sound.

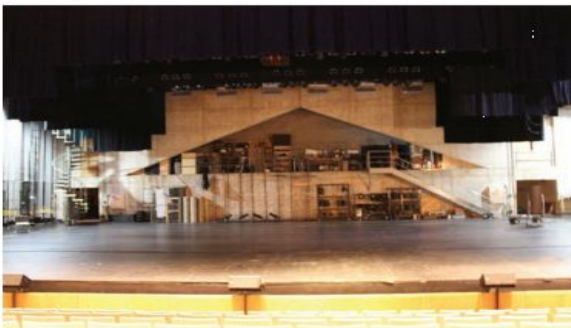


Restrooms are located on either side of the corridor: Men's on the East side, Women's on the West.



Concessions are available for a reasonable fee and patrons are allowed to bring their own snacks to this performance.

Inside the theatre
Stage



Inside the theatre
Seating



**Wheelchair Seating is EXTREMELY limited (4 spaces).
Please MAKE SURE that the Box Office knows if you require a wheelchair space.**



There are a lot of steps in the Arts United Center.



A trained therapy dog is on site during the performance.



Restricted Areas will be clearly marked with STOP signs.



A "Quiet Area" is curtained off on the west side of the lobby.



Sensory-Friendly Performances - **AT A GLANCE:**

Sensory-friendly performances are designed to create a performing arts experience that is welcoming to all families with children with autism or with other disabilities that create sensory sensitivities.

Accommodations for these performances include:

- Lower sound level, especially for startling or loud sounds
- Use of personal tech gadgets (notebooks, pads, smartphones, etc.) allowed - no photography allowed
- Lights remain on at a low level in the theatre during the performance
- A reduction of strobe lighting or lighting focused on the audience
- Patrons are free to talk and leave their seats during the performance
- Patrons may bring their own snacks into the theatre
- Designated "Quiet Area" within the theatre
- Arts United Center staff trained to be inviting and accommodating to families' needs
- The Arts United Center is open at 5:30 pm - the doors to the theatre space open at 6:00 pm for seating
- Arts United Ushers with maroon vests will be available to answer questions in the lobby
- Seating is assigned and the specific row and seat number will be printed on each ticket
- Ushers in the theatre will be available to assist you in finding your seat.

PHOTOGRAPHY IS NOT PERMITTED IN THE THEATRE



Sponsored by the AWS Foundation, offering sensory-friendly performances designed to be more accessible for individuals with sensory sensitivities.