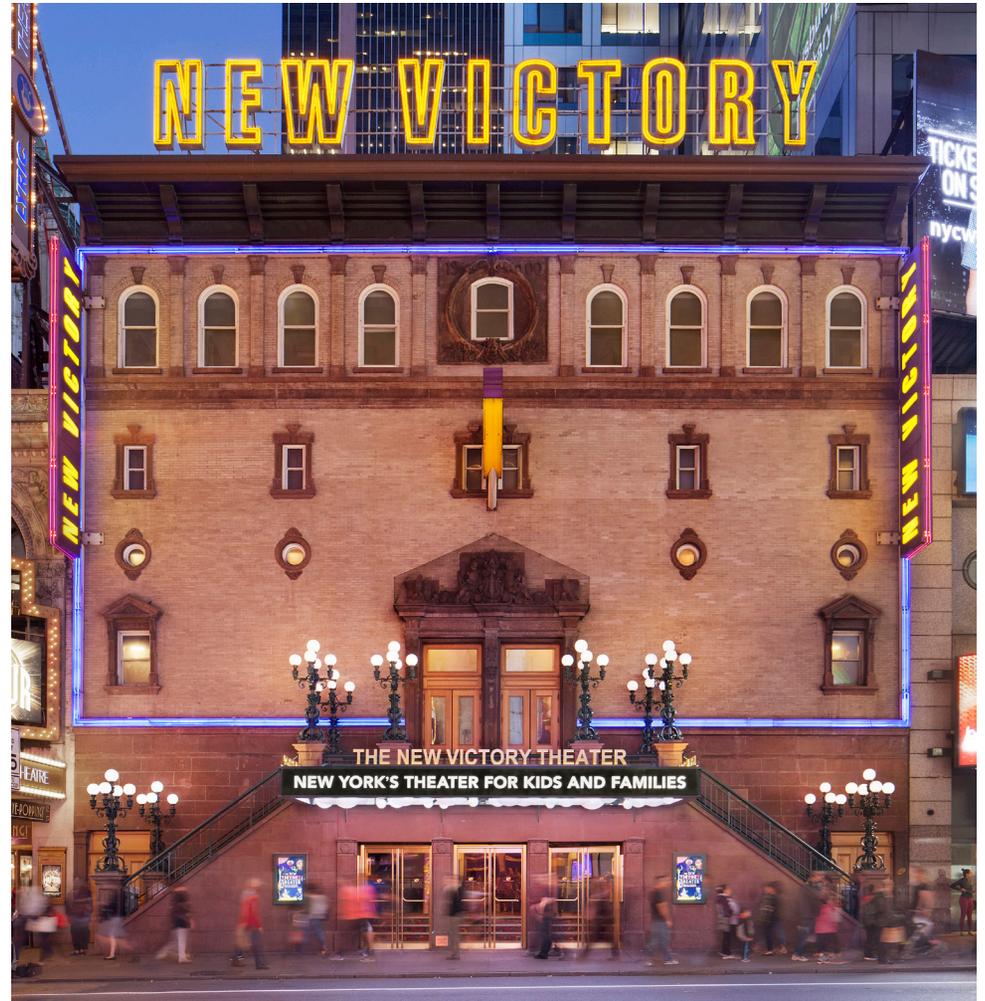


Going to the New Victory Theater!

A SOCIAL NARRATIVE



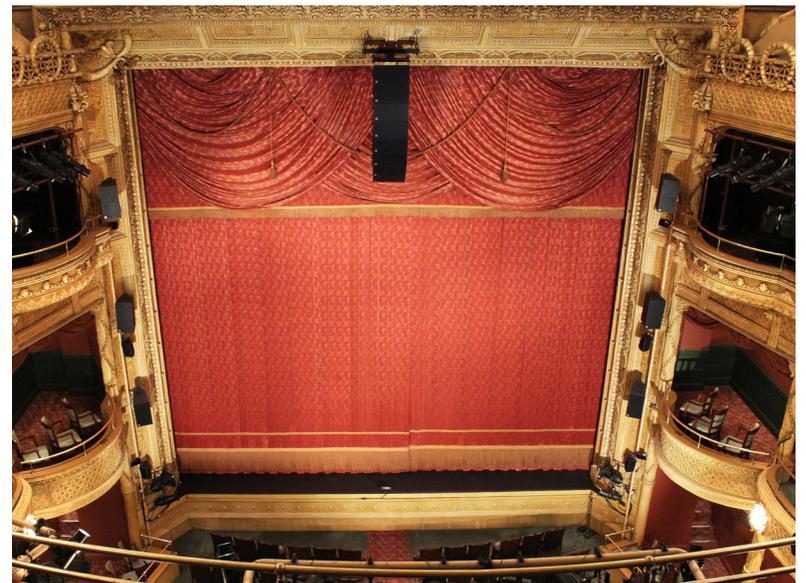
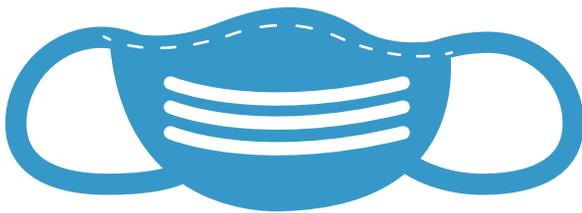
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We are going to the New Victory Theater to see a show!

You may wear a face mask if you want to, but it is not required. Mask use is recommended in public indoor settings.

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I will be going to the show with...



*you can insert pictures or names of people that will be attending with your kid

Going to the theater can be so much fun!



The New Victory Theater is located on 42nd Street between 7th Avenue and 8th Avenue.



The theater is in a part of Manhattan that is known as Times Square.



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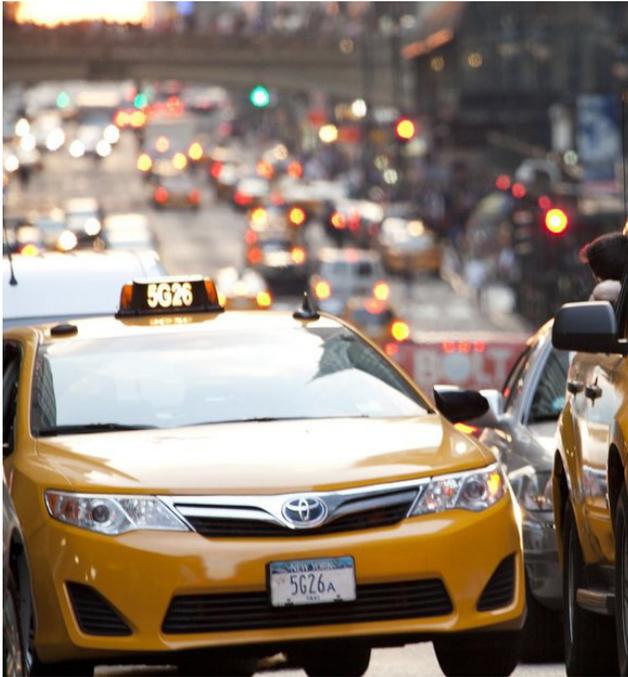


Times Square is such a cool place, but it is also very busy and can get very noisy.



There are a lot of people walking around, lots of big signs and lights, and lots of noises from the cars, taxis and people.

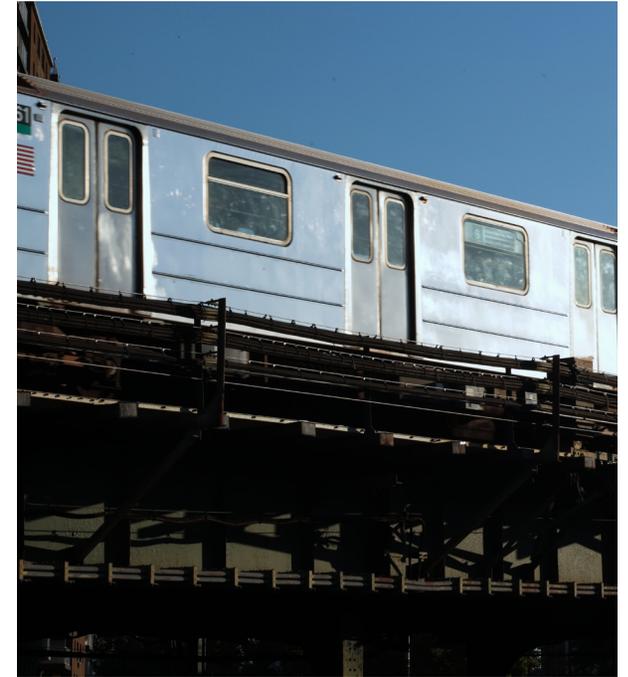
There are different ways to get to the theater.



We could take a car.



We could take a bus.



We could take a train.

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We may need to wait in line at the box office to pick up our tickets.



While we are waiting, I will stay with my family or friends and try to wait calmly.

We will scan our tickets or mobile phone under one of the ticket scanners. Theater staff or ushers might help us scan them and tell us where to go next.



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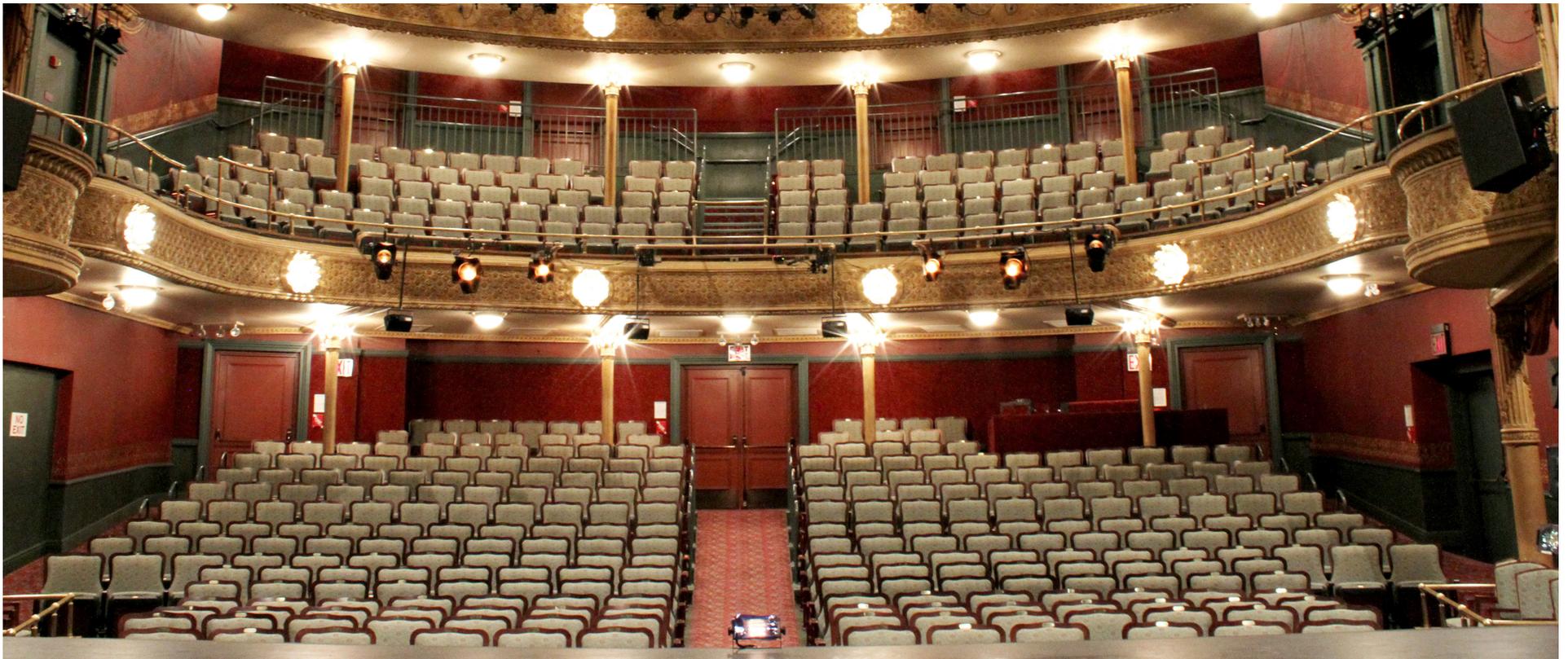
We will go down the stairs or elevator to visit the restrooms, stow things in a locker or visit the Accessibility Table.



In the lower lobby, I can participate in free arts activities with NEW VICTORY Teaching Artists and staff or get a snack before the show.



Our tickets will tell us exactly where to sit. We do not get to choose our seats.



**This is what the theater looks like
without any people inside!**

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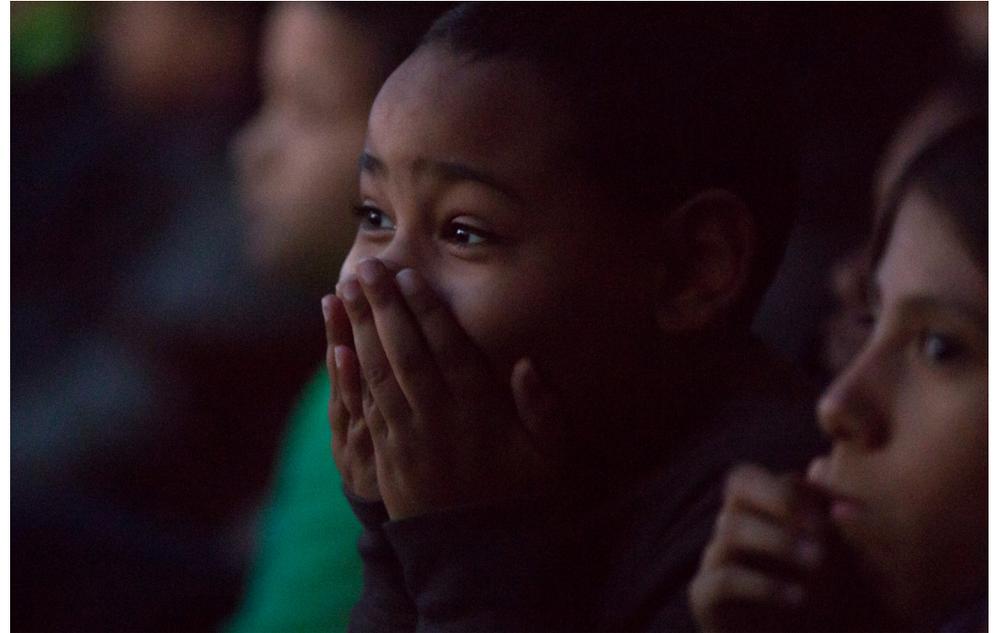
When it is time for the show to start, the lights will get darker (but not all the way dark at a sensory-friendly performance) and everyone will get quiet.



I will try to remember that, even if parts of the show get a little loud, or the makeup and costumes look strange or scary, none of this can hurt me or anyone else at the show.



Some parts of the show might be very funny and silly, and they will probably make me laugh.



Some parts of the show might make me nervous, but all of the actors and performers are EXPERTS and have practiced a lot so that they will not get hurt.



If I get nervous or feel scared, I can:

Cover or close my eyes.



Talk to my parent or adult.



Cover my ears with my hands or put on headphones.



Use a fidget tool.



If I need a break during the show, I can ask the parent or adult that I am with if they can take me.



There are open spaces in the hallways or lobby area where we can go for a walk or sit in a quiet corner to take a break.

We can also ask any of the theater staff if we need help finding something, like the gift shop or bathroom.



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At the end of the show, all of the actors will come out on stage. This is called a CURTAIN CALL.



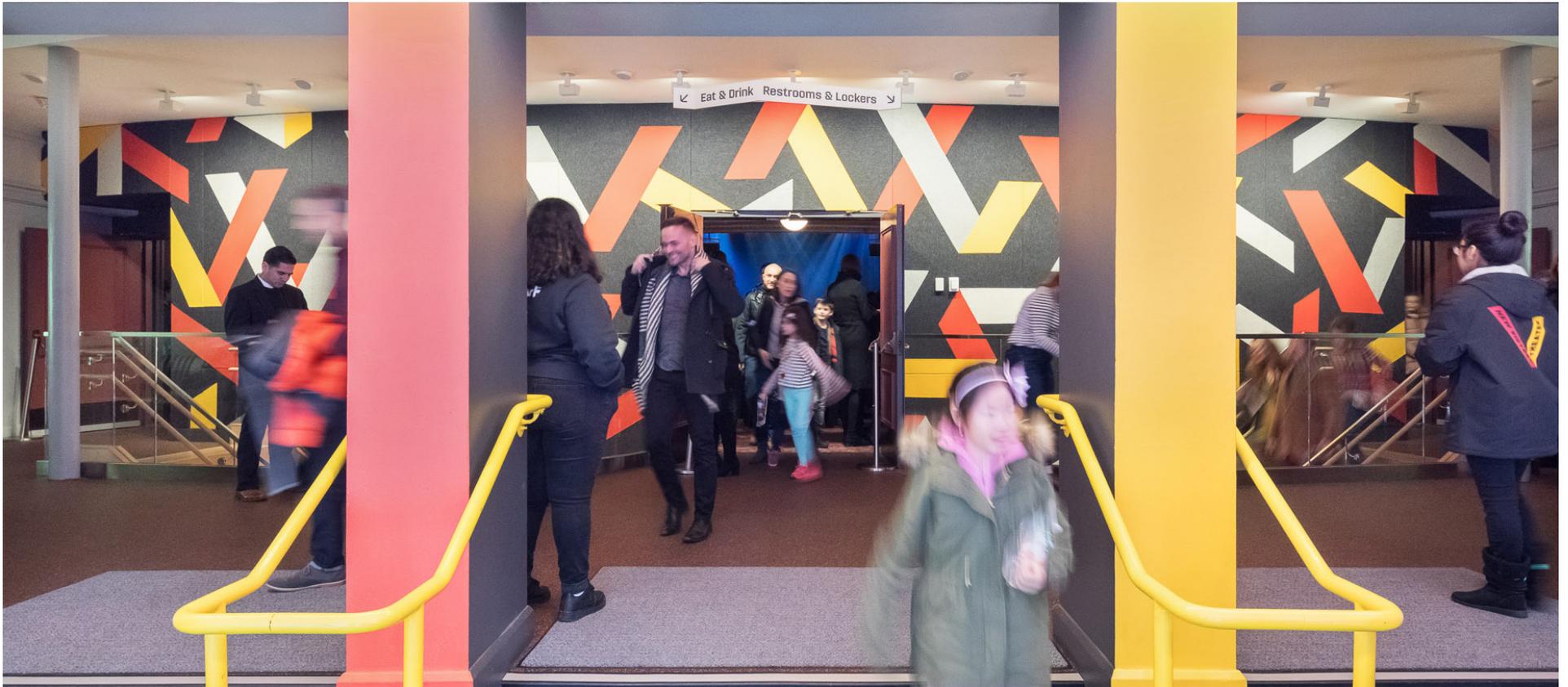
Many people will clap and cheer so the performers know how much they liked the show! When people really like a show, sometimes they stand up and cheer during the curtain call.

If I missed the lower lobby activities before the show, they will stay open for 20 minutes after the show too.



I might even have a chance to take a photo with some of the performers!

**I will leave the theater with my family or friends.
Sometimes we may have to wait a little while before we
can leave the theater, because it can get very crowded
when everyone is leaving at the same time.**



While I'm waiting, I can:

**Hold one of my
parent's or adult's hands**



**Talk to my family
or friends**



Use a fidget tool



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**I am sure we will all have a great time seeing
a show at the New Victory Theater!**

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