

SOCIAL STORY

STUDENT MATINEE

ALLEYTHEATRE



I am going to see *A Christmas Carol* at the Alley Theatre with my school.



I will travel on a bus downtown to the Houston Theatre District.



The bus will drop us off in front of the theater. Someone from the Alley will get on the bus and explain what to do.

From the bus, I will line up with my group on the outside steps, then I will enter the building through the main doors into the Box Office.







I will take the stairs up to the theatre lobby. My group may wait on the stairs for a few minutes before the theatre opens



The theatre lobby will be decorated for Christmas with lots of pretty trees and wreaths.

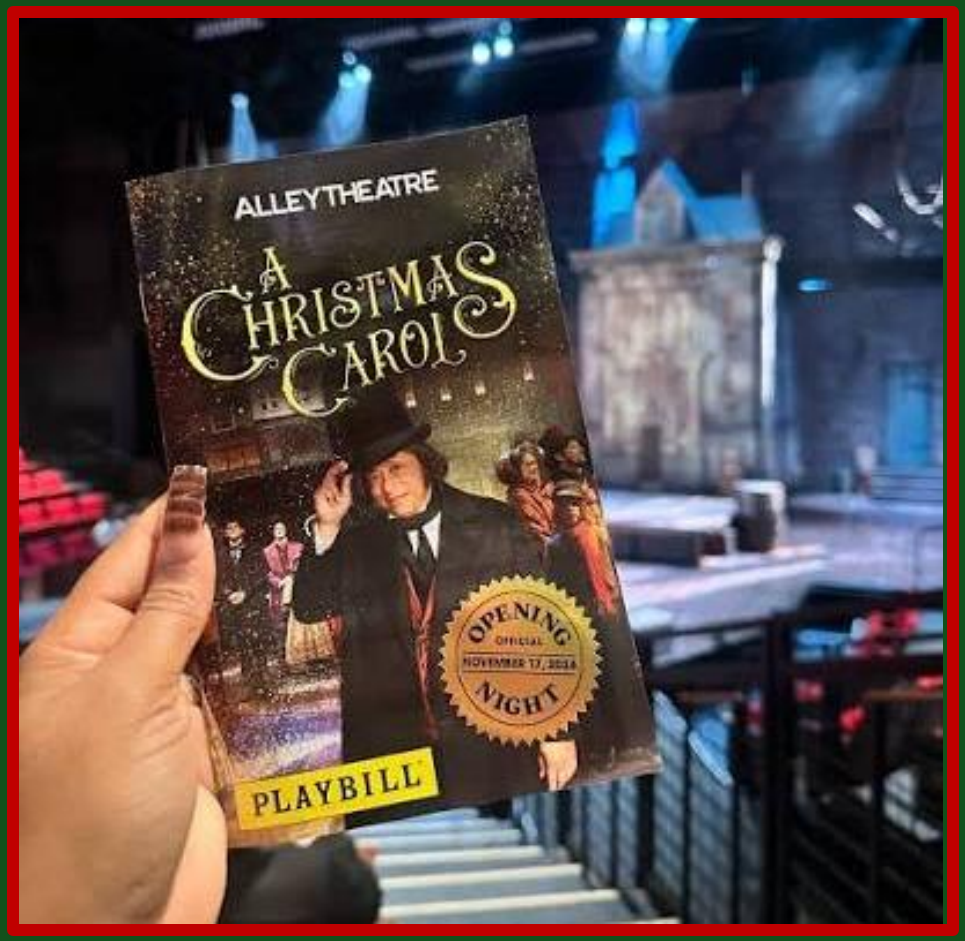
There will be Christmas music playing.

There is a restroom in the lobby. I can go to the restroom after I get my seat in the theatre.



When it is time to go into the theatre, the staff person at the top of the stairs will explain what to do.

Then, an Usher will bring my group into the theatre and show me to my seat.



I can take a program from the bin on the table if I want one.

When the show is about to begin, the theatre will get darker, but I will still be able to see.





Seeing a play is like seeing a movie with real people on stage to tell the story.



To start the play, actors will come from the back of the theatre, down the stairs, and onto the stage while singing.



Throughout the play, the actors will tell the story of Scrooge and how he is visited by the ghosts of Christmas Past, Christmas Present, and Christmas Future.



The play will have a lot of singing and even some dancing and puppets.



Some moments in the play might be a little scary or loud.

If the play becomes too much, I can go into the lobby for a break.



Halfway through the play there will be a break called "intermission."

During intermission, I can use the restroom or look at the trees in the lobby. Or I can stay in my seat if I want.



At the end of the play, there will be clapping for the actors as they take a bow and continue singing carols.



When the bows are over, the lights will come up and someone will come on stage to explain what happens next.



After the show there is a talkback with some of the actors and technicians. I will stay in my seat and listen to the talkback until my group is called for our bus.



When it is my turn to leave the theatre, I will exit in a line with my group, back down the stairs, and onto my bus.



THANK YOU!

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