

# Going to the Glasshouse Theatre



## SOCIAL STORY



GLASSHOUSE PORT MACQUARIE

The Glasshouse is looking forward to seeing you at a live performance in the Glasshouse Theatre.

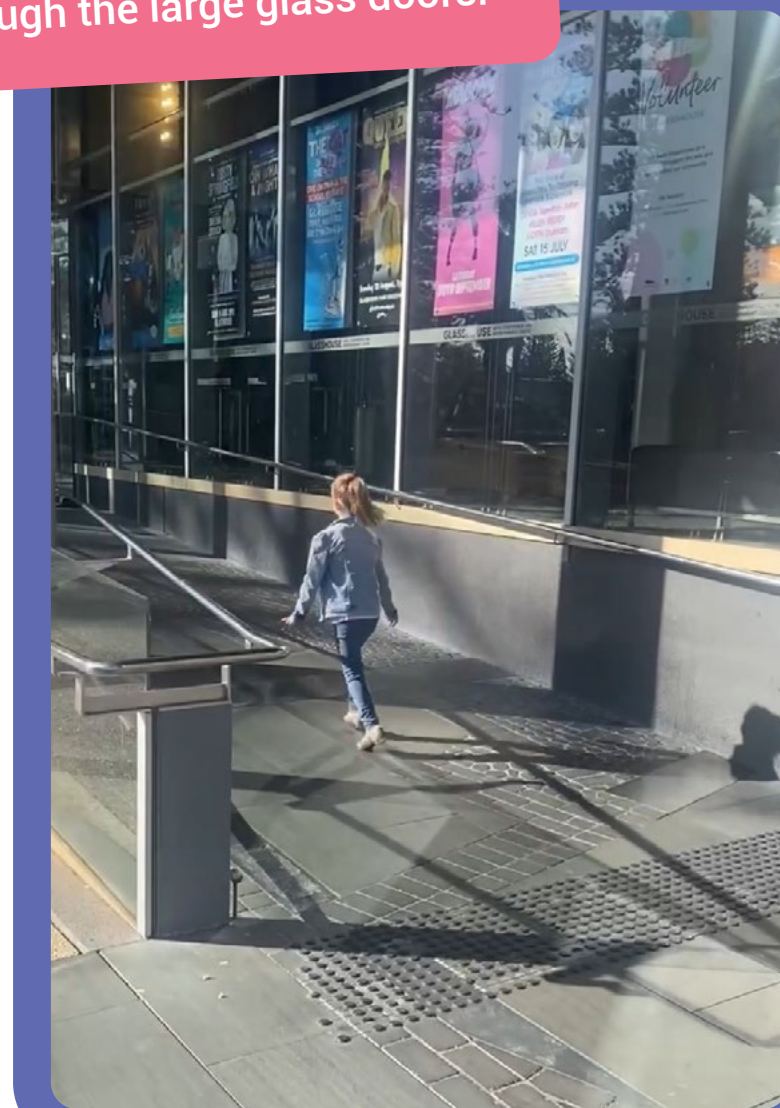
The theatre is a special place where people perform plays, musicals and shows.

This experience can feel a little new and different for some theatre goers.

Please enjoy reading this story to help prepare for your visit.



We will walk down the street and enter the building foyer through the large glass doors.



Everyone needs a ticket to get into the theatre and these are collected at the Box Office. We might need to wait in line.



We will hear background music playing in the foyer.

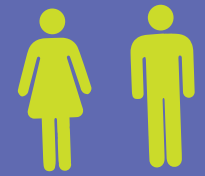


Before the show starts, we might need to wait in the foyer with other people.

We can enjoy a drink and snack from the Encore Bar before the show. Only water can be taken into the theatre.

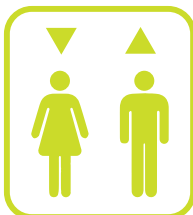


While we are waiting, we might need to go to the bathroom. These are located downstairs. It is best to do this before the performance starts.





Bells will sound in the foyer to let us know that the theatre doors have opened, and we should take our seats.



If our seats are upstairs we can use the staircase or the lift.

To enter the theatre an usher will meet us at the door and will check our tickets.



Scanners may be used and will beep.

The usher will tell us how to find our seats.

Sometimes the theatre may be crowded.

To get to our seats we may have to walk in front of other people, and other people may have to walk in front of us to get to their seats.



People may accidentally bump you while they walk by.

During the show, we will sit together.



There may be people that we don't know sitting close to us.



Before the show starts, the ushers will close the doors at the side of the theatre and the light will go down a little.



Everyone needs to be quiet so that we can hear the show.



The show will happen on the stage.



Real people will come onto the stage to tell you a story. These people are the actors who are pretending to be the characters in the show. They may be dressed up in costumes.

Sometimes the performance will have loud noises and bright lights.



If you get nervous during the show you can look away, cover your eyes, wear earphones or hold a parent or carer's hand.



If you see something that you like, or is funny, you can clap or laugh.

Other people sitting around us may clap and laugh at things too.



If the clapping is too loud you can cover your ears or wear earphones.



Watching live theatre is a unique experience, unlike watching tv or a movie.

To make sure everyone in the audience and on the stage has a good time, we ask you to:



laugh but don't chat



listen and don't text or call  
(turn off mobiles)



be on the edge of your seat but not  
in anyone else's (or the aisle!)



take home a great experience but  
don't take photographs



write notes later or you might miss  
something magical



bring a hunger for knowledge but don't  
bring food or drink into the theatre



We know the show is over  
when the actors bow.



Everyone will  
clap and cheer.



When the show is over, the lights will come back on, and the ushers will open the doors.

Everyone will get up and leave the theatre.



The aisle may be crowded as everyone leaves.

We need to stay together and wait our turn before we exit through the doors.



*See you at the  
Glasshouse soon.*



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