## I Am Going to a Concert!

An experience guide to prepare for my visit to see the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra

May 10 Sat at 2:00pm

Stifel Theatre

Recommended for ages 5+



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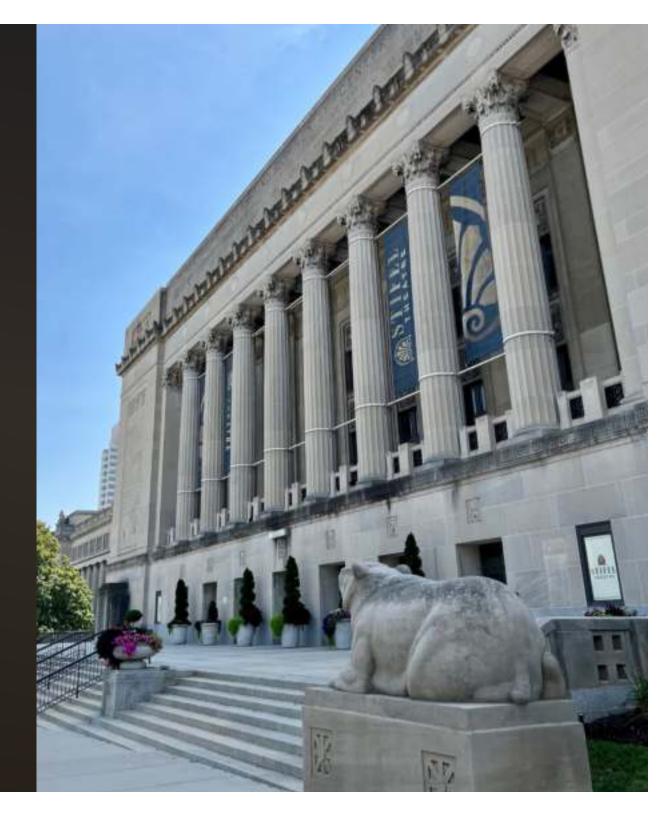
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On Saturday, May 10, I am going to a St. Louis Symphony Orchestra concert at Stifel Theatre.

I can dress as my favorite Disney character or wear royal attire—like a prince, princess, or hero. I might see other people in costume too, and that's part of the fun.



As I enter Stifel Theater, I will walk through a metal detector. If I bring a bag, it will be checked by the Safety and Security staff. Then an usher will scan my ticket.



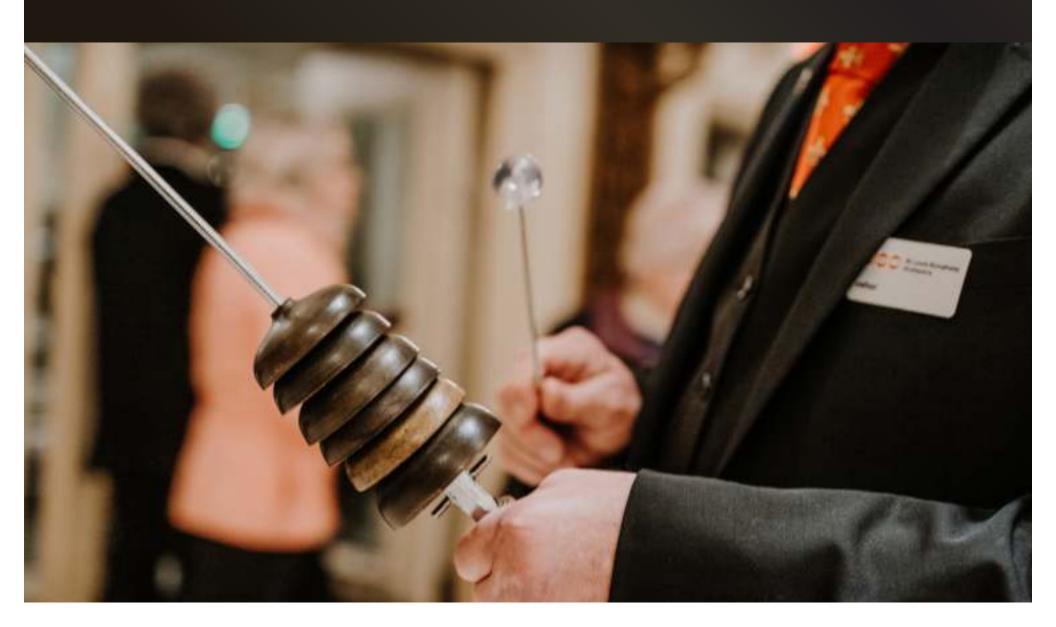


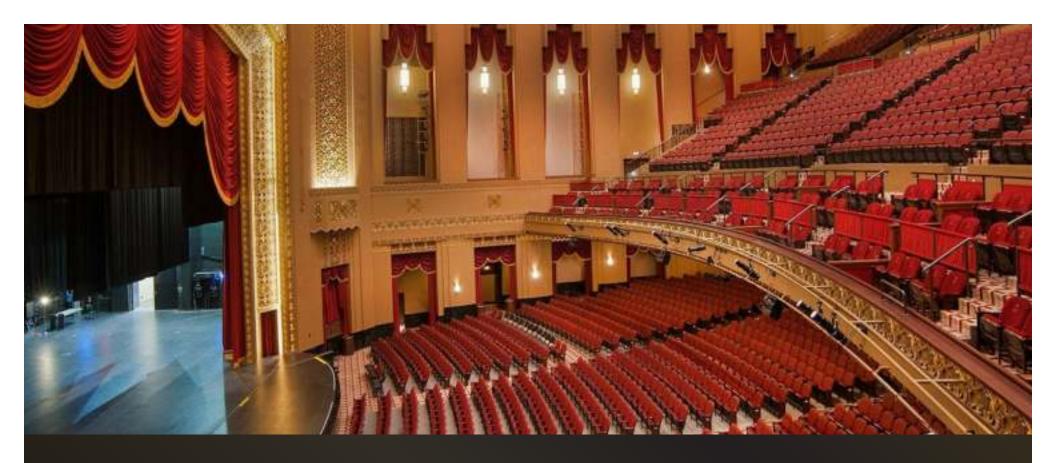
This is the Stifel Theatre lobby. It may look like this when I arrive or it may be more crowded. The concert begins at 2:00pm, but the doors open at 1:00pm. If I arrive early, I can take my time, find my seat, and settle in before it gets busy.

A variety of drinks and snacks will be available for purchase with credit only; cash is not accepted. I may bring concessions into the auditorium during the concert.



I may hear chimes outside of the theatre. When I hear the chimes, it means I have ten minutes to find my seat and get ready for the concert.





This is what I will see!

The auditorium is a large space with many seats and a big stage where the musicians will perform.

An usher will take me to the seat where I will sit for the concert. The usher will also hand me a program that tells me the names of the pieces of music that I will hear at the concert.

When I get to my seat, I might see and hear some of the musicians warming up on stage.





I will hear an announcement at the start of the concert. This is my cue to be quiet. Then the concertmaster, a musician who plays the violin, will come on stage. I will clap for the concertmaster. Then they will lead the orchestra in tuning.

The concert will begin when the conductor, who is the leader of the musicians, comes on the stage. I can clap for the conductor. His name is Jason.



The musicians will perform music from several different Disney movies. I will see singers on stage singing the songs!

The concert is about one hour and 30 minutes long. There is no intermission.





Once the music begins, I will try to be as quiet as I can so everyone can hear the music.

If the sound in the auditorium becomes too loud, hurts my ears, or makes me feel nervous, there are a few strategies I can use. I can...



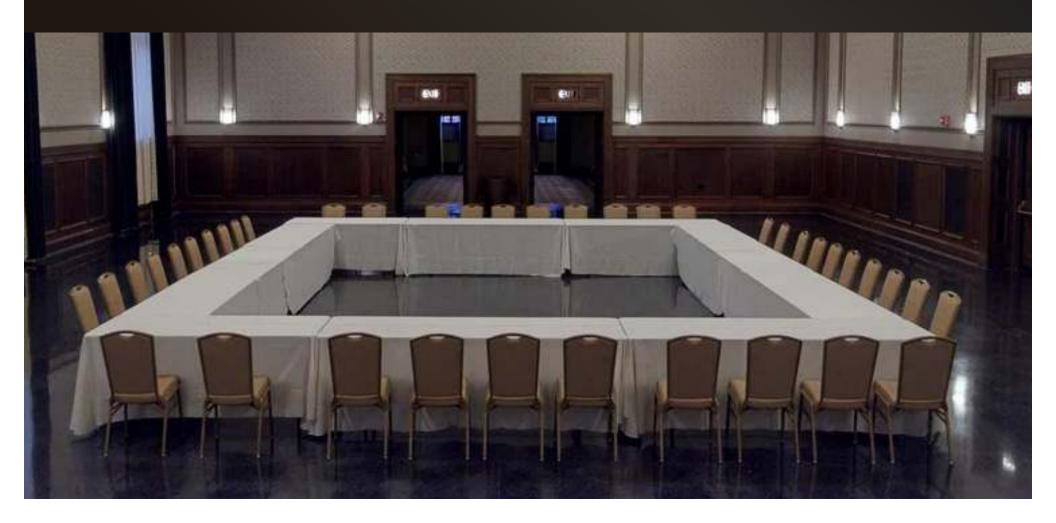
1. Cover my ears



2. Ask for headphones

If I need to take a break from the concert, I can go to the quiet room. The quiet room will also be available before the concert begins.

If I choose to return to my seat, I will wait until the music stops and the audience claps before entering the auditorium.

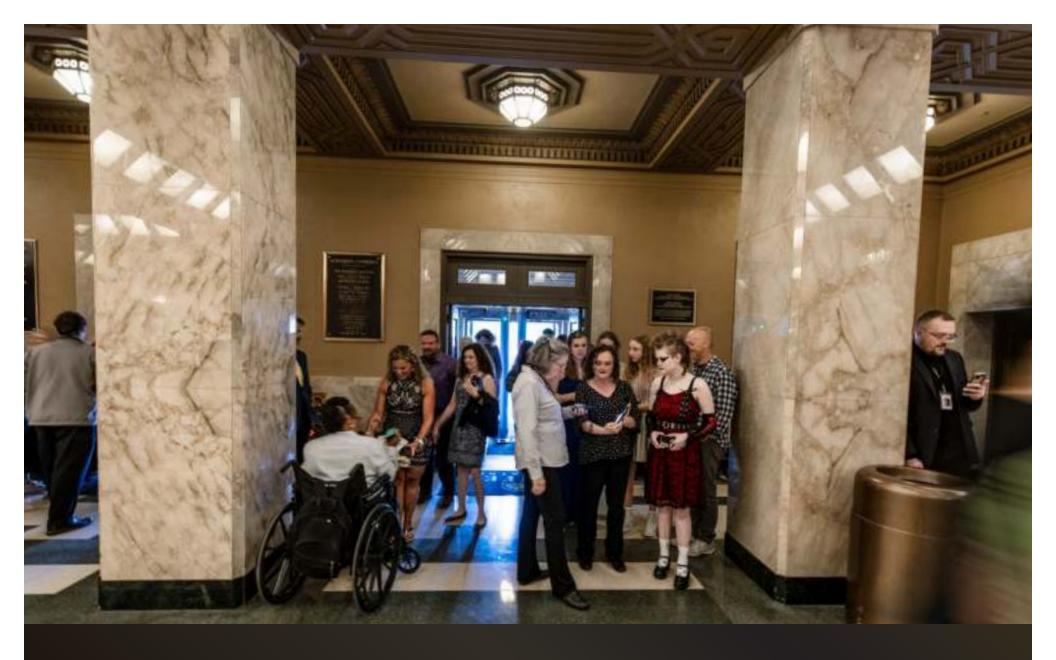


If I need headphones or any other sensory tools to help me feel comfortable, I will visit the Sensory Station in the lobby.



When each piece of music is finished, everyone will clap (also known as applause). Clapping is a nice way to let the musicians know that I liked the music.





When the concert is over, I will leave the auditorium and exit the Stifel Theatre through the same doors I came in.



What a great time I had going to a concert and listening to the music of the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra.