



NORTH POINTE BALLET

I Am Going to the Ballet



A social story to help families prepare for a visit to see a North Pointe Ballet performance at the Lorain Palace Theater.



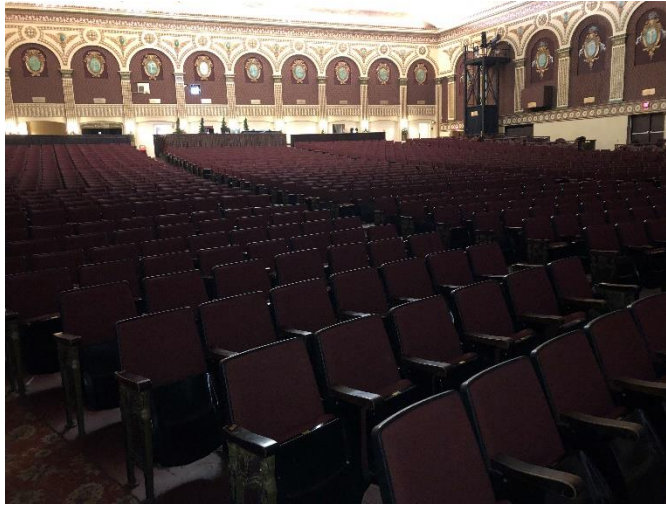
I am going to see a ballet performance at the Lorain Palace Theater.



I will enter the theater through the front doors.



Then I will walk through the lobby. I might already have a ticket, or I might have to buy a ticket. If I have to buy a ticket, I will wait in line. I will wait my turn with other people who are buying their tickets. I will have a quiet body.



After I have my ticket, it will be time to walk into the theater. My family and I will be able to choose our seats. We will probably have to wait a few minutes for the performance to begin. I will stay near my grown up.



Usually, the lights turn off when the ballet is going to start, but at this performance the lights will stay on. There will be an announcement and then the music will start. That is how I will know it is time to look at the stage.



In a ballet, there is no talking. The dancers on stage tell a story with their dancing. In this performance, there will be a narrator to help the dancers tell the story. The narrator is the only person who will talk. I will watch the dancing and listen to the narrator.

If the dancers do something that I like, I can let them know. I can clap or make a happy noise. I might be very excited and need to stand up or jump or call out. That is okay!





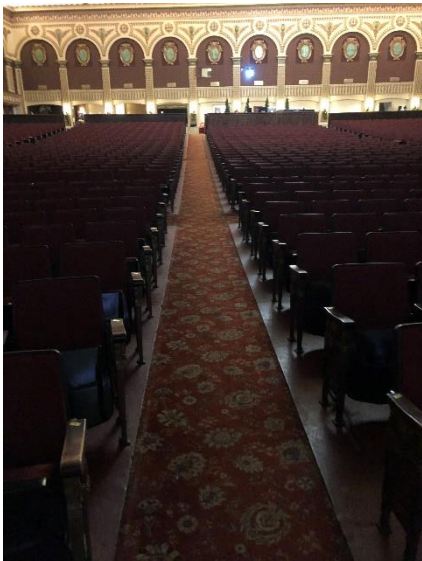
The performance will be as long as a movie, but there will be a break in the middle. That break is called intermission. It is a good time to get up out of my seat, to walk around, and to go to the bathroom.



I might need a break sooner than the intermission. That is okay! I am allowed to get up during the performance and move my body if I need to. I can step out of the theater if I need to or change seats if I need to. I can only do these things with my grown up.



I will know that the performance is finished when the dancers take a bow. I can clap and cheer with everyone else to let the dancers know I liked the performance.



It will be time to leave the theater when the curtain loses. Everyone will be leaving at the same time. I will need to walk with my grown up.

If I liked the ballet, I can come back to see North Pointe Ballet at this theater another time!