My Visit to The Courtyard Theatre





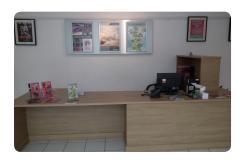




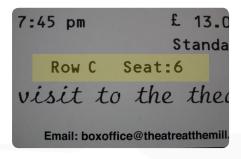
This is The Courtyard Theatre. When you are ready to come inside, you will go through the front doors. There is a button beside the door that you press to make the door open.



When you walk through the front doors, you will be in the foyer. This is a space where people can wait until it is time to go into the theatre. There might be lots of other people here at the same time as you.



This is the Box Office. This is where you can buy a ticket to see the show. If you have already bought your ticket, you might collect it here.



You can find out lots of things from your ticket, like what the show is called and what time it will start.

This part of your ticket tells you where your seat is



When you are in the foyer you will also see toilets.

There are male and female toilets in the foyer as well as a disabled bathroom.



When you are ready to go upstairs, you can use the lift or the stairs



Upstairs you will find Arts Bar. You can buy a drink or a snack here before the show.



You can sit at one of the tables to have your drink or snack, or you can take it to one of the seats downstairs in the foyer if you want to. There are also more toilets upstairs.



When it is time for the show to start the doors will be opened. There will be an usher at the door. They wear black Courtyard Theatre uniforms. If you have any questions about the theatre or need any help you can ask an usher.



The usher will look at your ticket to see where your seat is, and then help you find your seat.



If you use a wheelchair, you will go into the auditorium through this door beside the Box Office in the foyer. If you need to use this door please ask one of the ushers and they will help you.



If you use this door, this is what the auditorium will look like



This is the auditorium. This is where you will sit to watch the show. There may be a lot of other people in the auditorium. You might be sitting beside someone you don't know. This is ok.

In this picture you can see the stage. This is where the actors will tell their story during the show. Sometimes a curtain will be closed so you can't see the set. This is ok. When the show starts the curtain will open so you can see the stage.

Just before the show starts, the lights in the auditorium will be turned down and it might get dark. You can hold your companion's hand if it's a bit scary at first. The lights on the stage will come on, and the show will start. The actors will come onto the stage and tell their story. If you need to talk to your companion it's good to use a quiet voice so other people can still hear the actors. Sometimes there will be music. If it is loud you can put your hands over your ears or put on your headphones.



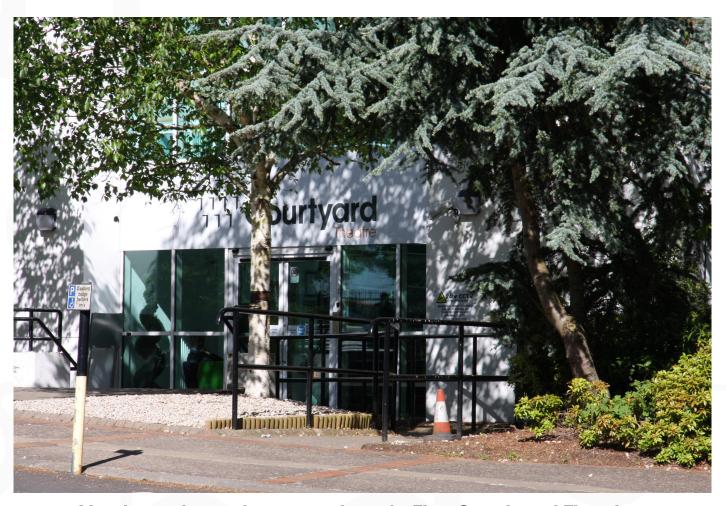
In the middle of the show there might be a break called an interval. The lights will come back on and you can go to the bar for a drink and a snack, or go to the toilet.

It's ok to stay in your seat in the auditorium if you want to.

When the interval is nearly over, a bell will ring. This means the second half of the show is about to start. If you have gone out of the auditorium, this means it is

time to go back to your seat. The ushers can help you find your seat again.

At the end of the show people in the audience will clap. This is to show the actors they have enjoyed the show. You can clap too if you have enjoyed the show. It's ok if you do not want to clap.



You have been to see a show in The Courtyard Theatre. We hope you enjoyed your visit and will come back again soon.



