



About the Relaxed / Sensory-Friendly Performance

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What is a relaxed / sensory-friendly performance?

A relaxed / sensory-friendly performance is designed to create a safe and welcoming theater experience for patrons who are autistic or have other sensory sensibilities.

Q: What kinds of changes will be made to the production?

- Lower sound and light levels on stage
- House lights will be left on during the performance
- Patrons are free to talk or leave during the performance
- Designated quiet areas within the theater building
- American Blues staff will be available to accommodate special needs

Q: Who should attend this performance?

Relaxed / sensory-friendly performances are designed for children and adults with sensory-input disorder, autism, or other developmental or cognitive disabilities, as well as their families and caretakers. It's judgment-free and a fun experience for all. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Q: Can people without a sensory-input disorder attend this performance?

Yes, all individuals are welcome! As noted above, this performance will have alterations in mind for individuals with sensory-input disorders to create a comfortable, safe, and welcoming environment.

Q: Can I leave the theatre during the performance and be reseated?

Yes, upon leaving the theater, our house manager will direct you to a quiet-area or restroom. With the house manager's help, he or she will assist your return to your seat when you're ready to re-enter the show.

Q: I have more questions. Who should I contact?

Please contact our Director of Patron Services Suzy Robertson to discuss more about our relaxed / sensory-friendly performance of *It's a Wonderful Life: Live in Chicago!* You may call her at (773) 654-3103 or email directly at SuzyR@AmericanBluesTheater.com.

