

YOUR VISIT TO THE OCTAGON THEATRE



A VISUAL GUIDE

WELCOME!

Welcome to this visual guide to the Octagon Theatre. Whether you are coming to watch a play or take part in a workshop, or are just popping in to look at the building, we want you to feel as comfortable and relaxed as you would in your home. We hope this guide will help you, especially if this is your first visit to a theatre.

If you have any suggestions for ways in which we could improve this guide to make it more helpful to you or your group, please do let us know.

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Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you soon.

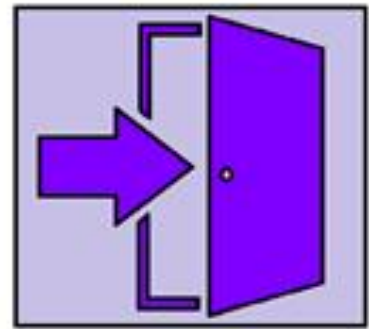
ABOUT THE THEATRE

Where is the Theatre?

The Theatre is just a short walk from Yeovil's town centre.



COMING INTO THE OCTAGON THEATRE



If you are coming from Petters Way car park, we are at the bottom of the hill.

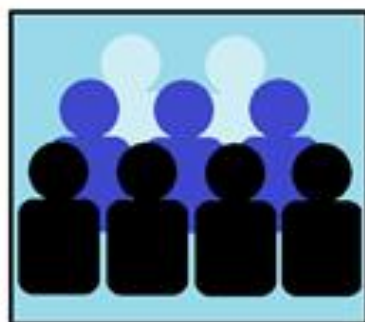


The Octagon has one main entrance with automatic doors either side and disabled parking out front.



THE FOYER

As soon as you enter the building you will be in the foyer.



The Box Office is in front of you, the toilets are to the right.

On the left is the ground floor entrance to the auditorium, the Johnson studio and stairs leading upstairs.

Sometimes just before a show starts the foyer will be quite busy.

TOILETS

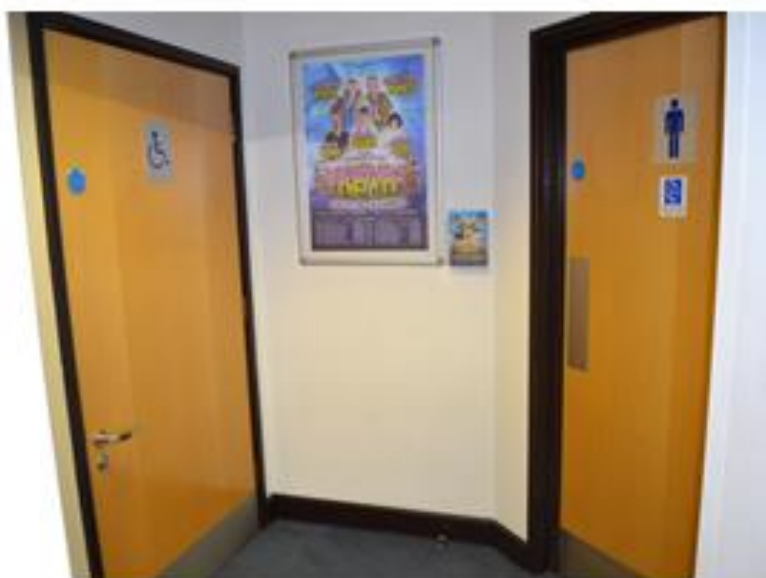
If you need to go to the toilet they are downstairs to the right of the foyer. The entrance looks like this.



The ladies' toilets are down the corridor;



The men's toilet and disabled toilet are straight in front of you when you walk in;



These are the only toilets in the building and might get busy during the interval of the show.

FOOD AND DRINK

You can get drinks and snacks from the confectionary counter in the foyer;



Or the kiosk upstairs which also sells teas and coffees;



FOOD AND DRINK

Or you can get all this and also order a meal at the café bar. It is upstairs and looks like this;



To order a meal you will need to tell the bar staff the number of the table you are sat on. Table numbers look like this;



The Café bar stops taking food orders half an hour before the show starts.

COLLECTING TICKETS



If you are going to see a show you might need to collect your ticket. To do this go to the Box Office and a member of staff will help you.



ASKING FOR HELP

If you need any help you can always ask one of the Octagon Theatre members of staff. They will all be wearing badges to help you identify them.

They are very friendly and can help if you are worried or have any questions.

THE JOHNSON STUDIO



We also have the Johnson studio. It host talks, events and dance classes throughout the year.

It is behind the double doors to the left of the foyer.

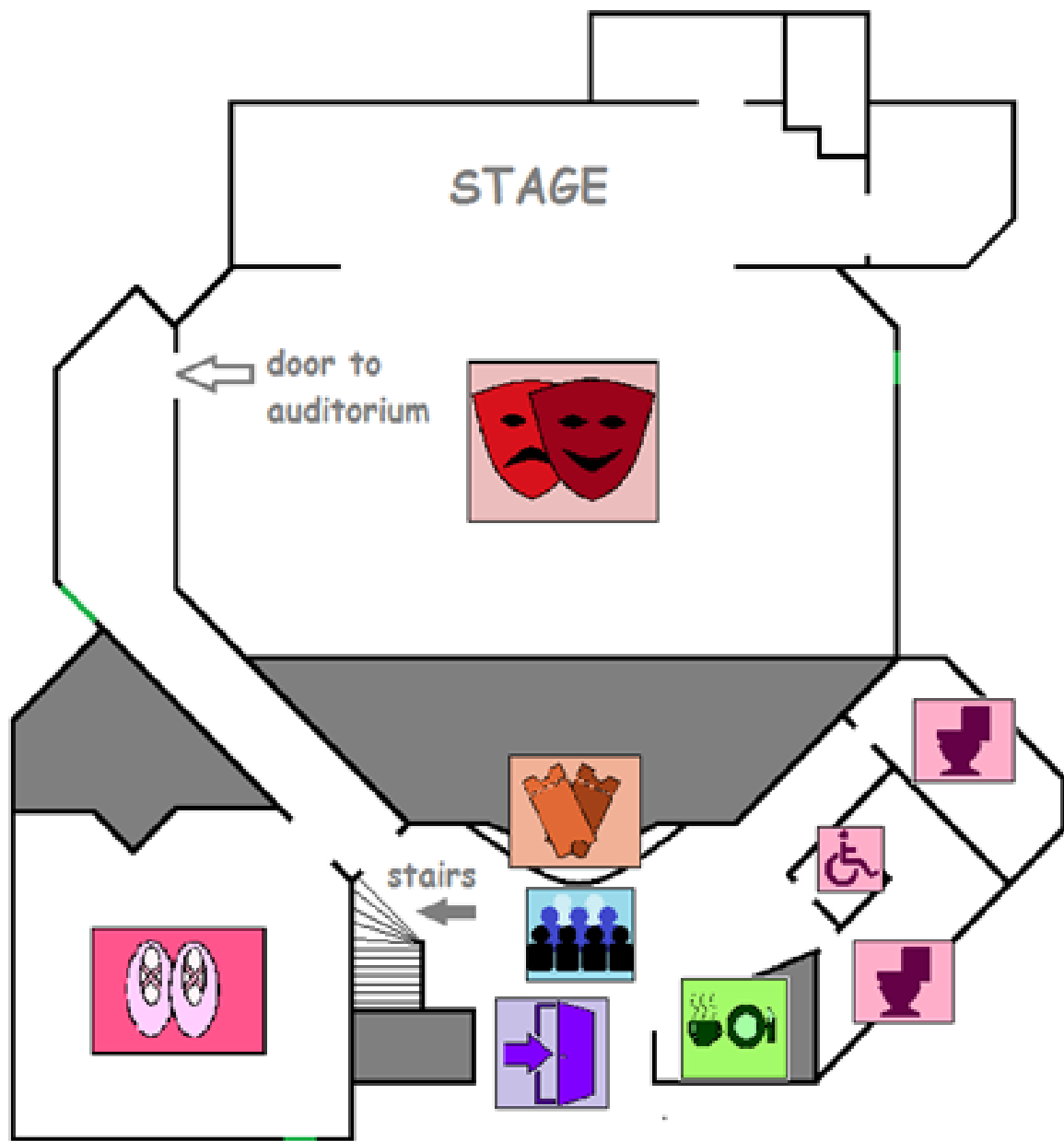


It looks like this on the inside;

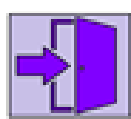


MAP OF THE OCTAGON THEATRE

GROUND FLOOR



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Entrance



Foyer

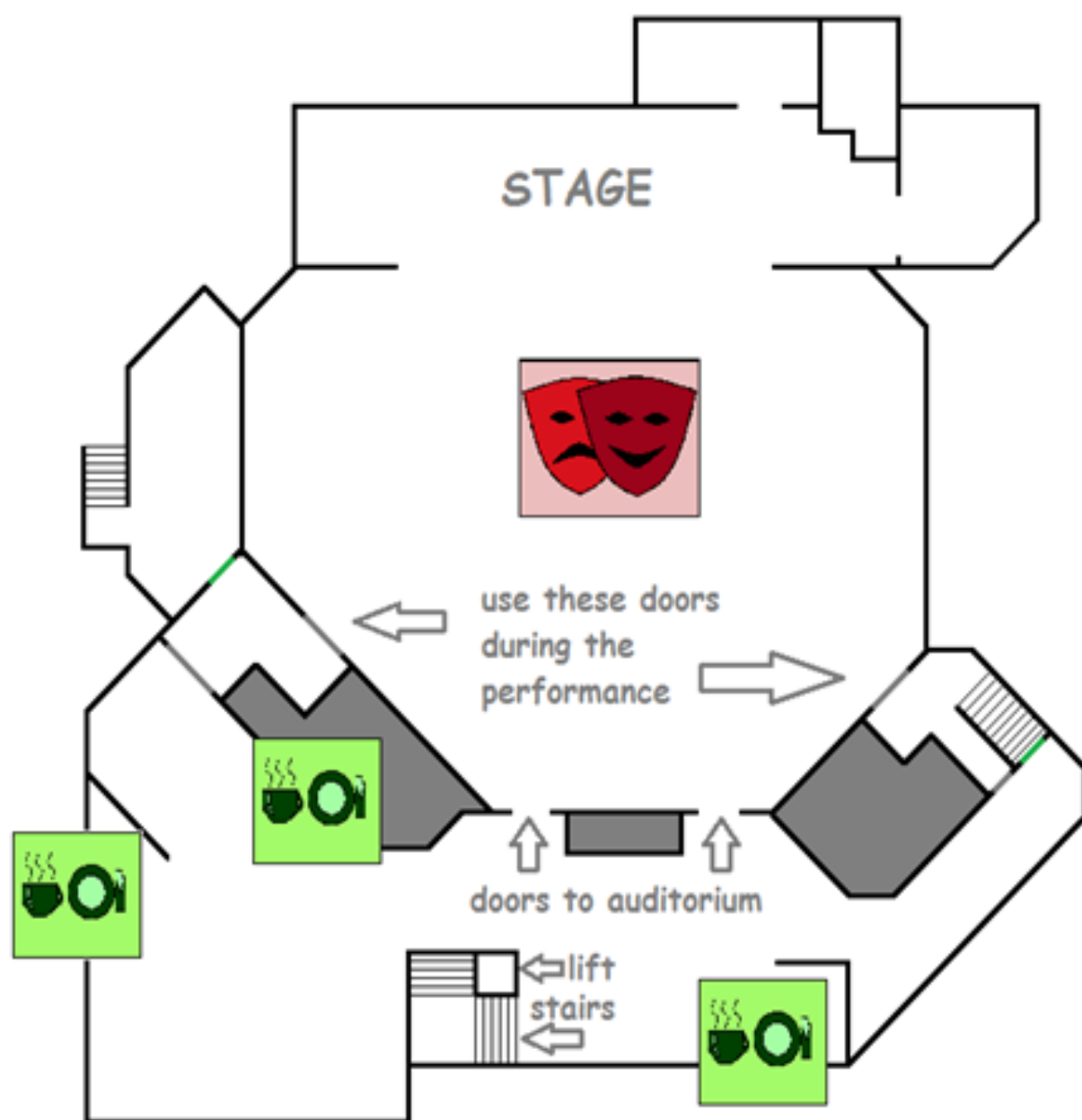


Toilets



Box Office

FIRST FLOOR



Auditorium



The Johnson Studio



Food and Drink



Fire exits

GOING TO SEE A SHOW IN THE THEATRE



If you are going to see a show in the Theatre you will need to go inside the Auditorium before it starts.

If you are sitting on rows A to H you will need to go through the ground floor doors. They look like this:



If you are sitting on rows J to T you will need to go up the stairs and in the door for your seat number. They look like this:

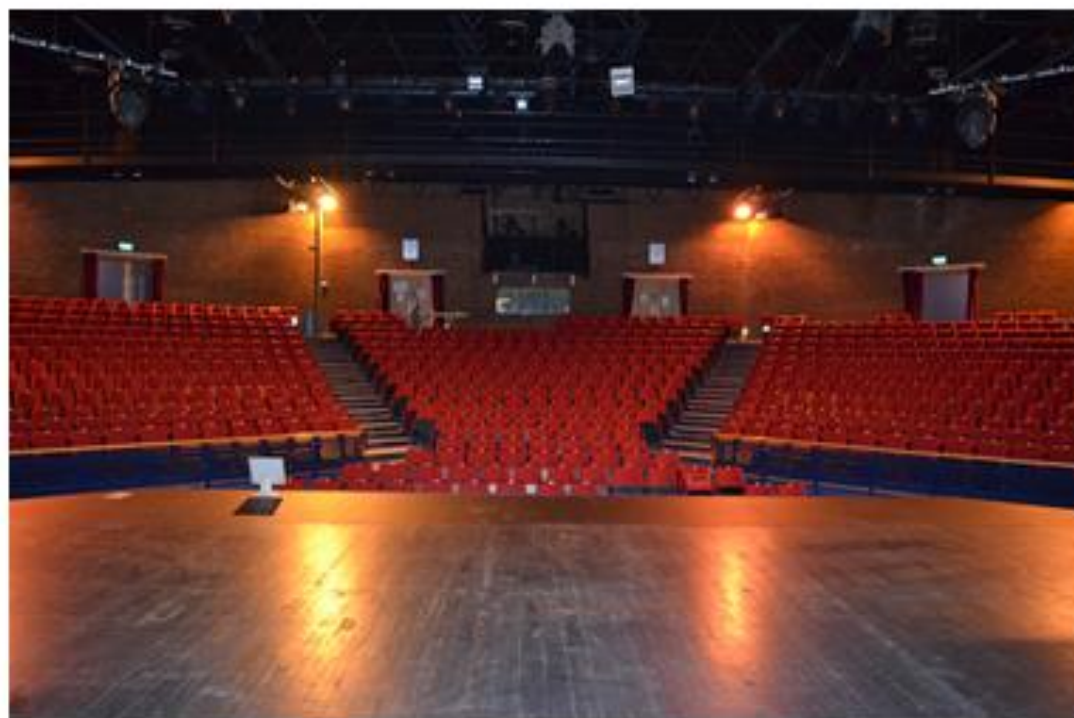


A member of staff will help you to find your seat. It will have a number on it and will be in a row with a letter on it. Your ticket will tell you your seat number and letter.

Seat numbers will be on the top of the seat and the letters will be on the end of the row they look like this:



Inside the Theatre it looks like this.

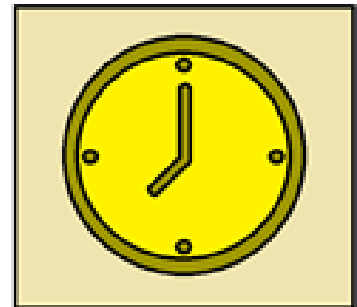


This is called the Auditorium.

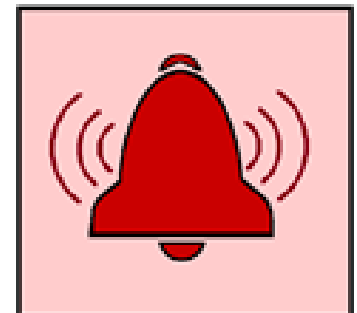
THE PLAY

START OF THE PLAY

The start time for the play will be written on your ticket.



You will know that the play is starting because you will hear someone ringing the bell.

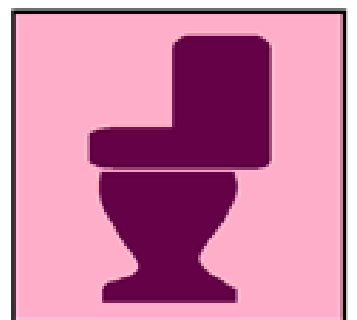


THE MIDDLE OF THE PLAY

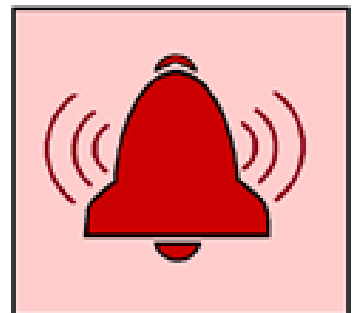
In the middle of the play there will usually be an interval. This is so that the actors and the audience can have a rest. The interval will last about 20 minutes.



The lights will get brighter and you can get a drink or go to the toilet if you want to.

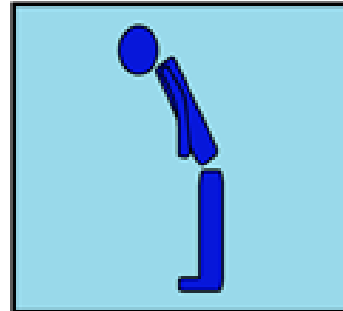


You will know that the play is starting again because you will hear someone ringing the bell.

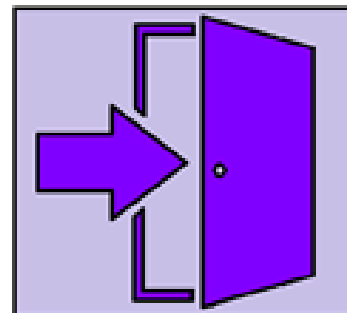


THE END OF THE PLAY

You will know that it is the end of the play because the actors will take a bow.



There will be lots of people leaving the play at the end so it might be quite busy in the foyer again.

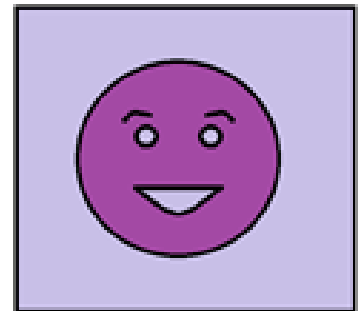


DURING THE PLAY

LAUGHING

During the play the actors might make a joke. Some of the audience may laugh.

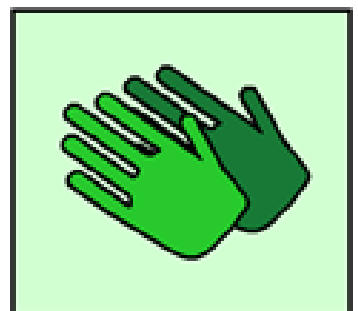
You can laugh too if you want to.



CLAPPING

During the play some people might clap to show that they enjoyed themselves. You can clap if you want to.

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



SOUND AND LIGHTS

When the play is on there might be some bright lights. The lights in the Theatre look like this.



There might also be some sound effects coming from one of the speakers, which look like this.



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