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AUTISM FRIENDLY PERFORMANCES

LOGISTICS GUIDE

Thank you for purchasing tickets to TDF's autism-friendly performance of Maybe Happy Ending on Sunday, August 17, 2025 at 1:00pm. We are very excited to welcome you!

Please find important information to support your experience at the show.

FAST FACTS

WHERE: BELASCO THEATRE
111 West 44th Street, New York, NY
WHEN: PERFORMANCE BEGINS at 1:00pm
DOORS OPEN at 12:15pm
RUNNING TIME is 1 hour and 30 minutes with NO INTERMISSION

GETTING INTO THE THEATRE

- The Belasco Theatre is located at **111 West 44th Street**. The entrance requires two steps to enter. Please ask the security staff as you enter to use the step-free entrance.
- You will be asked to wait in line outside until the doors open at **12:15pm**.
- You will be taken through security and will be asked to present your ticket to be scanned.
- **There is not an elevator in this theatre.** Wheelchair accessible seats and companion seats are located step-free in the orchestra.
- Stairs one floor down from the orchestra will take you to the **Lower Lobby.** The **Mezzanine** is up one flight of stairs. The **Balcony** is up two flights of stairs. Ushers can help direct you to the clearest path.
- **Family restrooms are located in the Lower Lobby, the Mezzanine, and the Balcony.** There is a wheelchair accessible restroom located in the orchestra.
- **Break Areas will be located in the Lower Lobby, the Mezzanine, and the Balcony.**

PHOTOGRAPHY

Photography and Videography are NOT PERMITTED inside the theatre. We want to enjoy the show while still respecting the theatre's policies.

- TDF will have a professional photographer on site taking flash photos to be used on social media sites.
- *Please let the photographer know if you do not want your family or group's picture taken.*
- **After the event, you can find these photos at www.facebook.com/tdfnyc**
- **There is NO CHARGE for having your picture taken at the show and these photos are FREE for you to download from TDF's Facebook page.**

RESOURCE MATERIAL:

TDF's Autism Friendly Performances resources are downloadable at www.tdf.org/maybe

- **Logistics Guide** (fast facts)
- **Event Narrative** (visual guide to the theatre-going experience)
- **Character Guide** (pictures and descriptions of the characters)
- **Visual Checklist** (general sequence of the experience)

We encourage you to take advantage of these tools in advance to become familiar with the performance experience. Supplementary Character Guides will be available at the performance.

TOOLS:

- **Some fidgets, earplugs, and a limited number of headphones will be available at the performance.**
- Small supports (e.g., fidgets, sunglasses, and headphones) are allowed in the theatre.
- If you are planning to bring a service animal to the performance, we ask that you please notify us in advance at **autism@tdf.org**. Please take into consideration any sensory sensitivities and plan accordingly.
- **Assistive listening devices are available for use.** Please see a guest experience representative upon arrival to arrange.

SPACES:

- **Break Areas** will be positioned in the lobby areas on each level of the theatre. They will be staffed with trained professionals and are accessible throughout the performance.
- All restrooms at this performances are **Family Restrooms** and volunteers will be able to guide you to their locations.

PEOPLE:

***Maybe Happy Ending* Staff**

- In order to provide a friendly, supportive environment, TDF has held sensitivity training sessions for the entire Belasco Theatre staff.

TDF Volunteers

- TDF has trained volunteers, many of whom are professional autism specialists, assisting the house staff (e.g., ushers, security team), and are available throughout the performance to assist you.
- Break Areas will be staffed with our TDF volunteers who are autism specialists.
- Additional trained volunteers will be accessible throughout the performance to assist you.

Parents and Caregivers

- We strongly encourage parents and caregivers to be aware of any early warning signs of difficult behavior and act accordingly. Our trained volunteers are ready and willing to help however they can!

We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, August 17!

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