



LOGISTICS GUIDE

Thank you for purchasing tickets to the TDF Autism Friendly Performance of *MJ The Musical* on Sunday, March 8, 2026 at 1 p.m. We are very excited to welcome you!

This guide contains important information to support your experience at the show.

FAST FACTS

WHERE: NEIL SIMON THEATRE
250 West 52nd Street between Broadway and Eighth Avenue in Manhattan

WHEN: Sunday, March 8, 2026
PERFORMANCE BEGINS at 1 p.m.
DOORS OPEN at 12:30 p.m.

RUNNING TIME is 2 hours 30 minutes with
one 15-minute intermission



CONTENT WARNINGS

- This show contains strong language, including profanity.
- There are moments of violence, including a father slapping his son's face.
- Drug addiction is depicted.
- While there are sirens and other sound effects, the volume will be lowered to lessen their impact.
- Lighting adjustments will be made, but the concert lights may still seem bright to some individuals. We encourage you to bring sunglasses to wear at any time.

GETTING INTO THE THEATRE

The Neil Simon Theatre is accessible without steps from the street at 250 West 52nd Street.



You may be asked to wait in line outside until the doors open at 12:30 p.m. The house staff will let everyone in as soon as they are ready to seat the audience.



You will be taken through security and asked to present your tickets for scanning.





- There is no elevator in this theatre.
- The mezzanine is up one flight of stairs. There are two steps between each row in the mezzanine.
- Wheelchair accessible seats and companion seats are located in the back of the orchestra.
- There is a wheelchair accessible restroom on the orchestra level.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Photography and videography are NOT PERMITTED inside the theatre. We want you 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.
- Please let the photographer know if you do not want to be photographed.
- There is no charge for having your picture taken. These photos will be available to download for free from TDF's Facebook page at facebook.com/tdfnyc a few days after the performance.
- While photography and filming are not allowed during the performance, *communication devices are permitted*. Theatre staff members are trained to recognize the difference between filming and using communication devices.

RESOURCE MATERIALS

Resources for this TDF Autism Friendly Performance of *MJ The Musical* can be downloaded at tdf.org/mjthemusical.

- **Logistics Guide** (fast facts)
- **Visual Narrative** (visual guide to the theatregoing experience)
- **Character Guide** (pictures and descriptions of the characters)
- **Picture Checklist** (overview of the experience in list form)

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

TOOLS

- Some fidgets, earplugs, and a limited number of headphones will be available at the performance.
- Personal 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, please notify us in advance at autism@tdf.org.
- Assistive listening devices are available for use. Please see a guest experience representative at the theatre upon arrival to arrange.



SPACES

- **Break Areas** will be positioned on each level of the theatre. They will be staffed with trained professionals and are accessible throughout the performance.
- All restrooms at this performance are **Family Restrooms**. Anyone may use any restroom, and caretakers can provide personal assistance as required. At this theatre, the Family Restrooms are located down one flight of stairs in the lower lobby. Volunteers can guide patrons to the restrooms but cannot enter or assist.
- A **wheelchair accessible restroom** is available on the orchestra level. This is also a Family Restroom.



PEOPLE

MJ The Musical Staff

- In order to create a supportive, autism-friendly environment, TDF has provided training sessions for the entire cast and Neil Simon Theatre staff.

TDF Volunteers

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

Parents and Caregivers

- Parents and caregivers are responsible for their care receivers at all times. Our trained volunteers are prepared to help however they can.

We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, March 8, 2026!

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