



This booklet is a visual resource for children and young adults visiting the Burton Taylor Studio for a relaxed performance.

This resource can be used in conjunction with the Visual Story produced specific to the production you are seeing.

Venue Story

Welcome to the Burton Taylor Studio!

This booklet should help prepare you for your visit to the theatre.

We are looking forward to welcoming you!



This is what the Studio looks like from the *outside*. The signs tell you that you are in the right place.

This is the *main entrance* to the Studio. There is a step before you get to the door.



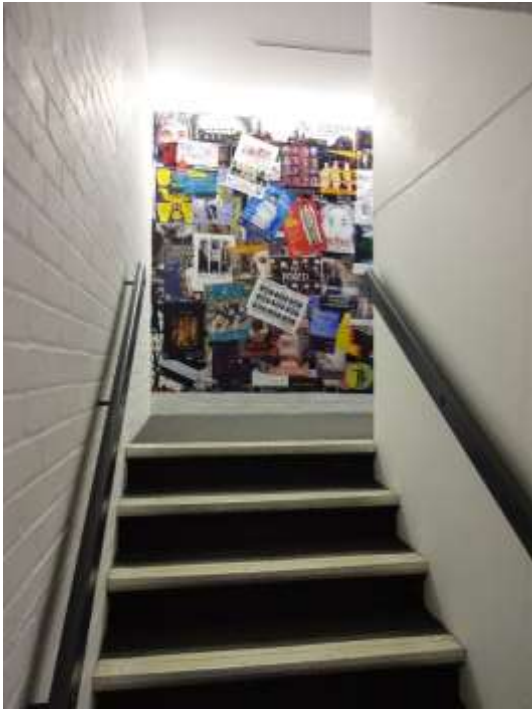
When you open the big front door you will be in the foyer. There are two big pictures in the *foyer*.

Sometimes people leave pushchairs here.



From the foyer you can go up the stairs to the waiting area.

As you go up the stairs you will see colourful pictures of plays that have happened here.



This is the *waiting area*.



On your right is the *ticket desk*. On your left are some *seats* that you can sit on while you wait if you like. Other adults and children might be in the waiting area too.



At the *ticket desk* you can collect and buy tickets. There may be other adults and children waiting to buy or collect tickets when you arrive.

At the ticket desk you can buy drinks or an ice cream if you like.



You might meet Robert. Robert is one of the people who works at the ticket desk.



This is what your ticket will look like. Some of the words and times might be different.



Near the ticket desk you can find the toilets. You can use these toilets at any time you like.

These are the girls' toilets. These are the boys' toilets.



If you would like to take some time out during your visit you can go to our relaxed area. Here you can take it easy. There are also some toys and comfy seats. There are also some books to read.



Whilst you wait to go in to the studio you might hear music playing through the speakers.

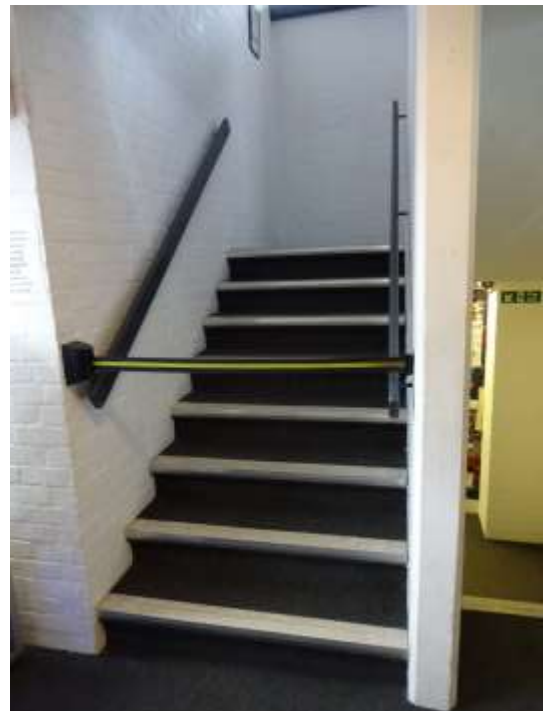
During the show you can come here to listen to the show through the speakers if you want some time out.



When in the Studio you can look out for our Duty Managers. If you have any questions they will do their best to help you.

When it is time to go into the studio the Duty Manager will open more stairs. When you are ready you can walk up these stairs to go to the Studio.

The Duty Manager might ask to see your ticket and can help you find somewhere to sit.



Then you can go into the studio, if you like.

The studio is a big room for you to watch the show.



On the left is an area where people will sit to control the lights and music. You can see some of the lights above your head.

Sometimes there are seats in the studio and sometimes there are cushions and beanbags for you to sit on.



When it is ready for the show to start some of the lights will change to show the audience that it is time to start. They might not be as bright, but this is nothing to worry about.

The actors will start the show.

During the show you might hear the actors say something funny. You can laugh if you want.

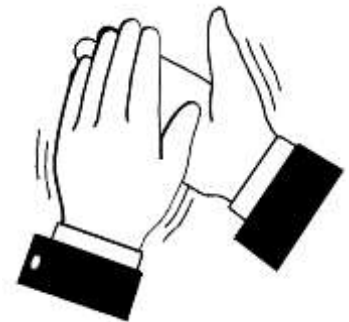
During the show you might see or hear something that makes you feel sad or upset. That's okay.



During the show you might hear a song. You can clap and sing if you like. It is okay to just sit and watch if you want.



At the end of the show everyone will clap their hands to show the actors that they enjoyed watching the show. You can join in if you like.



After the performance you can go back down the stairs to leave the studio.

*We hope you enjoy your visit to the
Burton Taylor Studio.*