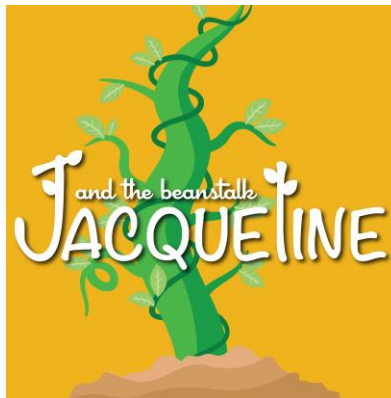




## Going to the Showtime Stage at Red Bank to see *Jaqueline and the Beanstalk*



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## Going to see *Jacqueline and the Beanstalk*

On Saturday, March 23, I am going to The Children's Theatre of Cincinnati's building on Red Bank Road to watch *Jacqueline and the Beanstalk*. The Children's Theatre is a place on Red Bank Road where people can go to see different shows in a small theater. *Jacqueline and the Beanstalk* is a play based on the story, *Jack and the Beanstalk*.



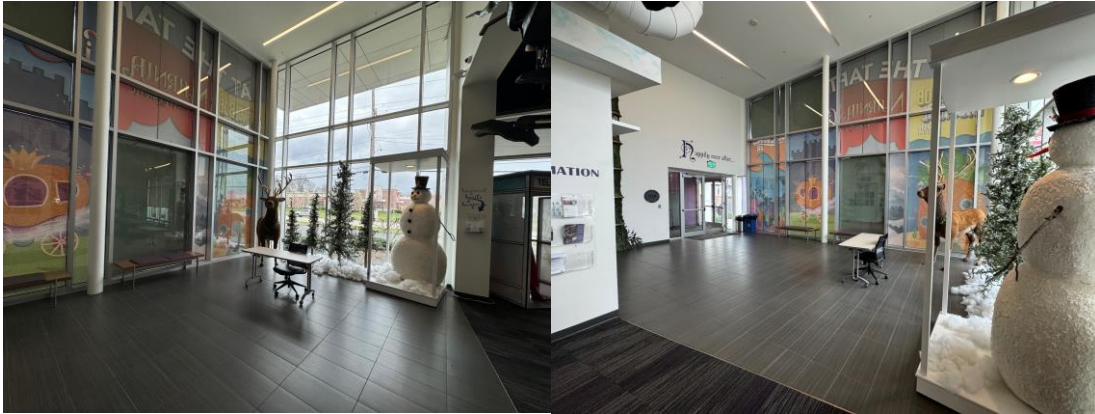
One actress, who is dressed in a costume, will act out the story and play all of the characters of *Jacqueline and the Beanstalk* on the stage. I will get to watch the actors on stage and listen to them talk. I can read more about the story of *Jack and the Beanstalk* or watch YouTube videos so that I know what to expect when I go to The Children's Theatre. The show will start at 2 PM in the afternoon and last until about 2:45 PM, including a time after the show when I can ask questions.

## Getting to The Children's Theatre of Cincinnati on Red Bank Road

I can ride to The Children's Theatre of Cincinnati with my group/family. We can get dropped off, or we can park in the parking lot right next door to the building. It is very close, and there are lots of places to park. My parents/group can tell me what we plan to do.



We will plan on getting to the Theatre as early as 1:30 PM. When we get to The Children's Theatre, we will go inside the building. At the front door, there will be volunteers. They will be wearing special name tags. They will greet us at the door and can help answer questions and show us where to go. I can say "hi" or "good afternoon" to the volunteers.



### In the lobby

Inside the lobby, we will see other people who are coming to see *Jaqueline and the Beanstalk*, as well as people who volunteer or work at the Theatre. There will be signs hanging up to remind me when I should not touch something or if an area is closed. There is a model of a deer and a snowman in the lobby and trees, but they are not real, and I should not touch them.



There may be lots of people coming to see *Jacqueline and the Beanstalk*, so it is important for me to stay close to my parents/group so that I stay safe. It is also important for me to stay calm and wait my turn if I need to. I can bring some things from home in a bag to do while I wait. If I think it might be too loud in the lobby, I can cover my ears or pack headphones to wear.

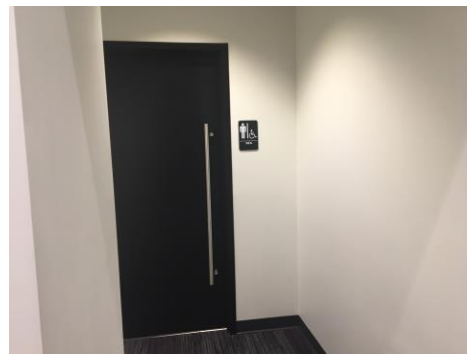
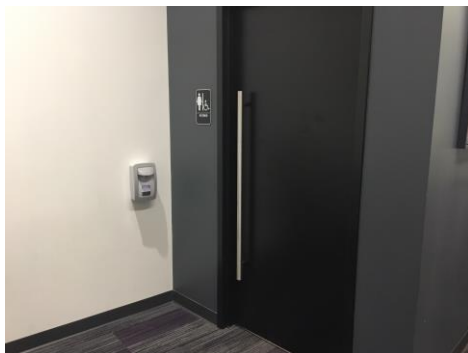
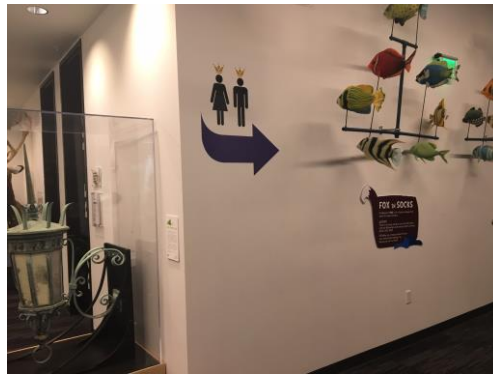
The show starts at 2 PM in the afternoon. The doors to the Theatre will open at 1:30 PM. If I am early, I will have to wait to go inside the Theatre. While I wait I can look around the lobby, go to the restroom, eat a snack, or play with the things I brought from home.

## Food and Drinks

At this performance, I am allowed to bring snacks and drinks from home and eat them in the lobby or wherever we are allowed to eat, but I cannot take them inside the theater. They will not sell drinks, snacks, or merchandise at this performance, like at the Taft Theatre.

## Restrooms

If I need to use the restroom, there are restrooms available to the right of the lobby. The restrooms are hand flush and have air dryers that I can use to dry my hands. If there are a lot of people who need to use the restroom, I may need to wait in line. I will try to be patient and wait my turn to use the restroom.



## Quiet Areas

For this performance, there will be a quiet area that is available for me if I need to take a break or would like to go to a quiet space with fewer people. I can tell my parents/group that I need to take a break, and we can go to this area. The quiet area will be down a hallway. There will be a sign that says "Quiet Area." I can go to the quiet area before, during, or after the show if I need a quiet space. There will be headphones and fidgets in the quiet area if I need them.

## Entering the Theatre

When it is time to go into the Theatre, I will enter with my family/group. When I go inside the theater, I will see lots of seats. Each seat has a letter and a number. The seats are all facing the stage. All the people who sit in the seats to watch the show are called the audience. The usher will show me how to get to my seat. I can look on the map of the Theatre below, so I know where I will be sitting. There will not be programs for this production. Here's an idea of what the theater seating looks like:



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The stage is where the actors will perform. I will stay off the stage and with the audience. It is important to sit in my seat during the show so that the people sitting behind me can see the stage.

## **Watching *Jaqueline and the Beanstalk***

When it is time for the show to start, there will be a short announcement, and the lights will get a little bit darker but won't turn off. They will stay at half brightness during the show. I will see the stage and the one female actor who will be wearing different costume pieces to help tell the story. They will be wearing makeup and hats. She is pretending.

The actors will come on and off stage during different parts of the show. Lights will be used on the stage. I will hear music and special sounds that help tell the story. I can cover my ears or wear headphones if the sounds are too loud.

If I need a break during the show, I can tell my parents/teachers, and they can walk with me out of the Theatre. During this performance, it is okay to get up and take a break during the show. If I take a break, I can walk around in the lobby or go to the quiet area. I can also visit the restroom. I can come back to watch the rest of the show when I am ready.

The show will last about 30 minutes, or a little over one-half hour.

After the show, the actor will introduce herself and audience members can ask her questions. I can ask a question if I have one.



At the end of the show, the audience will clap for the actor. I will clap my hands to show the actor that she did a good job. The actors will take a bow or curtsy while the audience claps. Sometimes, when the audience really likes the show, they stand up to clap. This is called a standing ovation. This shows the actor that they did a great job! When the clapping slows down, the actor will take a final bow. Then, the actor will introduce herself and ask for questions from the audience. After that, the show will be over.

I will look around my seat and make sure that I pick up all my things before I leave. I will walk to the aisle and wait with my family or group to walk out of the Theatre. There will be lots of people leaving the Theatre at the same time. I will try to be patient while I wait

my turn to walk up the aisle and into the lobby. I can stop at the restroom on the way out of the theater if I need to.

I will walk with my group/family through the lobby and to our bus or car.



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