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What to Expect When You Are Visiting Walt Disney Concert Hall

A Step-by-Step Guide

Going to the concert hall is a fun and exciting experience.

It’s a place where I get to listen to musicians perform live, and people gather to enjoy the music.

Here’s what happens when I go to a concert hall, and what I can expect.





Before the Concert

Before I go to the concert hall, I make sure to get ready.

Dressing neatly helps me feel confident and shows that I respect the event.

Before the Concert

When it’s time to go to the concert hall, I might feel excited, curious, or even a little nervous, and all those feelings are okay!







When I Arrive

When I arrive, the concert hall might look big and fancy.

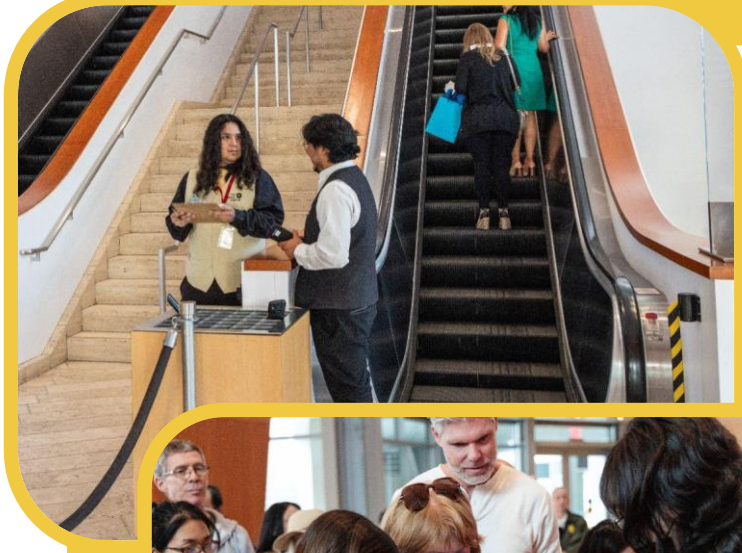
I will walk calmly through the entrance with the other people arriving to have a good time and enjoy the music.

When I Arrive

Inside the concert hall, there will be a lobby with many people standing in line or talking.









When I Enter

This is where we will show our tickets to a member of the house staff.

I will need to have a ticket. Someone in my group might help me get the ticket ahead of time.

When I Enter

A member of the house staff will scan my ticket and then they might show us where to go next.









When I Enter

A member of the house staff may direct me to take the escalator to get to my seat.

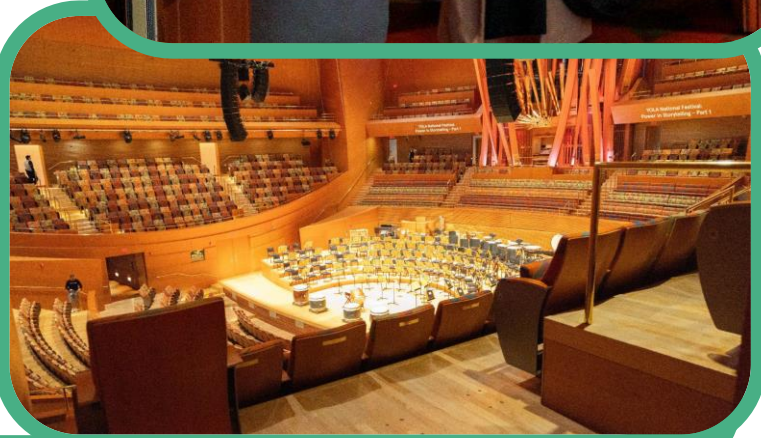
It’s important to listen carefully to their instructions. There will be other people looking for their seats, as well.

Finding My Seat

It’s time to find my seat. Another member of the house staff might help me find the right assigned seat on my ticket.

I will walk calmly to the door to enter the concert space.









Finding My Seat

When walking to my seat, I will move carefully and try not to bump into other people finding their seats too.

It’s a good idea to be patient and polite.

Inside the Concert Hall

Once I reach my seat, we might have to wait for a little while before the concert begins.

During this time, I can look around at the stage, admire the organ, read my program or talk quietly to the people I’m with.









Inside the Concert Hall

Musicians will also start coming on stage with their instruments and warm up.

I can also use the time before the concert to use the restroom. I just have to make sure that I am back in time to sit quietly and get comfortable for the performance.

When the Music Starts

It's finally time for the music!

When the music is about to start, I will hear chimes in the lobby.

The lights will dim, and everyone will stop talking.



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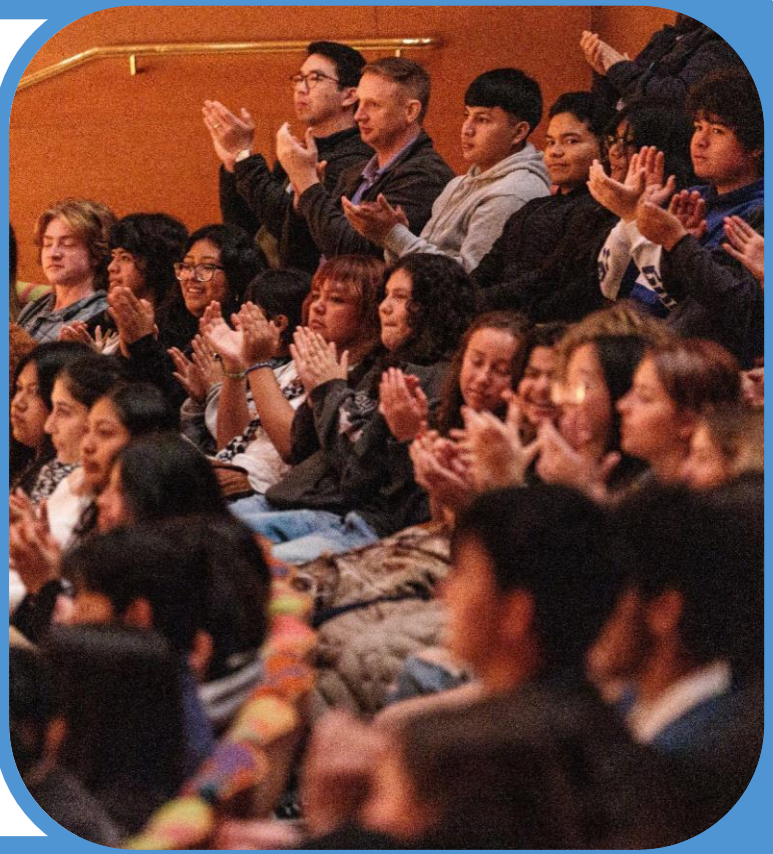
The Concertmaster will come on stage and people will clap for them. The orchestra musicians will tune their instruments.

Next, a conductor will come on stage, and they will also be greeted with applause.

Clapping & Applause

When the musicians finish playing a piece of music, people in the audience will clap to show they enjoyed it.

If I'm not sure when to clap, I can watch the people around me or the conductor.





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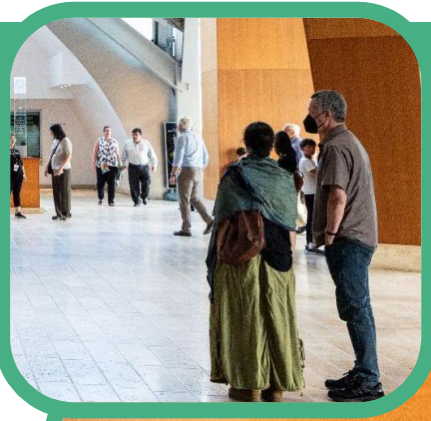
Usually, when the conductor puts their arms down or turns to face the audience, it’s time to clap.

Intermission
(If There Is One)

Sometimes, there is a break in the middle of the concert called an intermission.

This is a chance to stand up, stretch, or use the bathroom if I need to.

There might be snacks or drinks available, but we'll have to eat them before going back to our seats.







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When the intermission is about to end, the chimes will signal it's time to return to our seats and a member of the house staff can help us if we get lost.

After the Concert

When the concert is over, people will start to leave the hall. I will wait patiently for my turn to walk out of my seat.

If I liked the concert, I can say “thank you” to the people who brought me or tell them about my favorite part.



Going to the Concert Hall Is



Fun!



The concert hall is a special place where I can listen to live music and experience something new. Following these steps helps me enjoy the concert and have a great time.

It’s a great way to enjoy music and learn new things!