THEATER ETIQUETTE

Please take note of these suggestions to enhance your experience at the Bologna Performing Arts Center:

Arrive early. Latecomers will be held outside the theater doors until an appropriate break in the performance. Arriving early allows you plenty of time to park, pick up any Will Call tickets, use the facilities, purchase concessions, and find your seat before the performance begins.

Turn off your cell phone and other electronic devices. The light and noise from cell phones and electronic devices are a distraction to performers and audience members seated around and above you. Please, no text messaging, photography, or recording unless given other notice by the artist. Flash photography is never permitted inside the theater.

Noise matters. Please refrain from whispering or unwrapping candies during the performance. Wait for applause or intermission to rifle through your bag. While the show is in progress, resist the urge to sing along with, hum, or otherwise accompany the score unless invited to do so. If you need to exit the theater for any reason, you may be asked to wait to re-enter until a pause in the performance.

Be considerate. Please remove hats and do not wear an overabundance of cologne/perfume. Do not lean heads together as it might block the view of those behind you. Please dispose of litter appropriately.

Stay and applaud! Just as it is discourteous to arrive late, it is also impolite to leave early. Wait until the final bows, and exit the theater when the show is over. DSU Police will assist in making sure everyone is able to exit the parking lot safely.

Children and live theater: Attending a live performance can be a magical and memorable experience for children. Please take the time to select a proper show for children. Every child who attends must have their own seat and ticket. Please, no infants.

If you are in need of assistance during the performance, please seek the nearest BPAC Ambassador.

Live theater is a shared experience. Thank you for your consideration!