EVENT NARRATIVE

DAVID H. KOCH THEATER
20 Lincoln Center Plaza
New York, NY 10023

Sunday, November 27, 2022
I will go to the David H. Koch Theater in Lincoln Center on Sunday, November 27th to see George Balanchine’s The Nutcracker®.

The theatre is located at:

20 Lincoln Center Plaza
New York, NY 10023
An usher will scan my ticket so I may enter the theatre.

Wearing a face mask is optional when I am inside the theatre.

I may use the bathroom before I go to my seat.
I will enter the seating area of the theatre.

The theatre is very large with a lot of seats so that many people are able to see the performance.

An usher will show me where my seat is.

The numbers on my ticket tell me where I have to sit. It is not a choice.
The theatre will become darker.

When the theatre is darker, it helps people see the dancers onstage.

The theatre will not be completely dark. This will help people see if they need to get out of their seats.
The theatre will become quieter.

When the audience is quiet, this helps people hear the orchestra play the music.

The music for this performance was written by a composer named Peter Ilyitch Tschaikovsky.
I will see performers dancing on stage.

The type of dance that they are performing is called ballet.

The ballet dances for this performance were choreographed by George Balanchine. He created the movements that the ballet dancers are performing.
The performers are wearing costumes and makeup which help them look like the characters they are portraying.

The performers will not come into the audience area. They will not touch me.
I may stay in my seat while watching the show.

If I need a break though, I can go to a break area,

This is a special area created for TDF’s Autism Friendly Performances.

A break area will have foam mats and beanbag chairs.

When I am ready, I can go back to my seat in the theatre to see more of the show.
The audience may clap during the performance.

Clapping lets the performers know that the audience likes the performance.

If the clapping is too loud, I can ask for earplugs or headphones to help make it quieter.
There is an intermission. This is a short break between the first and second half of the show.

I may go to the lobby area or to the bathroom during this time or I may stay in my seat.

After the intermission, the audience will return to their seats in the theatre and sit down.

The theatre will become dark and quiet again.

The performers will come back onto the stage to finish their performance.
After the show is over, I will leave the theatre.

The team at TDF’s Autism Friendly Performances looks forward to seeing you at another performance soon!