



Aurora Children's Playhouse: Social Story

I am going to to see the play Beat Bugs: A Musical Adventure at the Aurora Theatre!



The Beat Bugs are going to perform at the Aurora Theatre on Friday, February 9th at 10am and 11:30 am!



The show will be a Sensory & Autism Friendly Performance. I am so excited to go and see a musical!



In this show, the Beat Bugs are five friends who live in a backyard. They go on many adventures while singing some of their favorite songs by The Beatles.

The Beat Bugs are on a mission to save Strawberry Fields from a mean bug who wants to pollute the whole backyard. The Beat Bugs decide to create their very own musical in order to save their home.

To see the show, I am going to travel
to Lawrenceville to get to the Aurora
Theatre.

128 E Pike St, Lawrenceville, GA 30046



I may ride in a
car...



Or a bus.



This is what the Aurora Theatre looks like from the outside.



This is the front entrance to the building.



And these are the front doors.

This is what it looks like when I'm walking in through the front doors.



I may also enter from the Parking Deck down below.



These are what the stairs from the Parking Deck to the Theatre look like.



This is the door from the Parking Deck



This is what I'll see coming through this door.



When I enter from the parking deck, this will be the first room that I see.



This is what the Theatre Lobby looks like. There will be lots of friendly people in the lobby who will help me if I need them.



At the lobby bar, I can buy a snack or a drink.



I can take these snacks or drinks into the theatre.

Inside the theatre, someone at the Box Office desk or an Usher will tell us where to go. They will scan our ticket so that I can get into the theatre. They will give the ticket back to me after I scan it.



They will also give me a book that me and my caregiver can read called a program.

This is where the chill room will be. Whenever I feel overwhelmed or need to take a break from the show, I can go in here to re-energize myself. There will be seats to sit in and a TV that will show what's happening so far in the musical.



Right past the lobby bar are the bathrooms. This is the door to the men's restroom and the women's restroom. There are also two water fountains I can drink from too.



This is the
hallway to
the
Theatre.

And these are
the audience
seats. This is
where I will sit
during the
musical.



I may also sit in the balcony. These are the stairs to the balcony.



This is the door to the balcony



This is the elevator to and from the balcony...

...and these are what the seats in the balcony look like.



This is what the stage will look like.
The musical takes place in the
Backyard.



In this theatre, I am allowed to sit in any chair that isn't already taken by someone else. When the show starts, I will try to be quiet so that I can hear everything.



In this show I will see actors on the stage wearing costumes. They may come close to me. I will try to stay in my seat. If I feel scared, I can cover my ears, squeeze my fidget or hold my caregiver's hand.



After each song, people will clap to tell the actors that you liked their song. I can also clap if I want to. If the clapping is too loud, I can ask for ear plugs or headphones to help make it quieter.



Before the show begins, Ms. Renita will give a curtain speech that talks about how we should watch this show. She will talk about what a Sensory & Autism Friendly Performance is. She may also say-

- "If you feel the need to sing along, or dance, or whatever you need to do, know that you are fully supported in this space."
- "We have some '**chill zones**' across the lobby if anyone needs a quiet place for a break."
- "If you find that you need a stressball just let us know and we will get you one."
- "Please email **feedback** to me!"
- "Please make sure **Cell Phones** are OFF, **No photography** or **Recording of Any Kind!!!** (Though we may have a photographer)."

The actors of the show will also introduce themselves and the character's they're playing. They will also show off some of the characters that will be in the show, such as the Miner birds.



Ms. Renita
James

This is a list of all the songs that are sung in the show.

"Good Day Sunshine/I'm So Tired"

"Birthday"

"Strawberry Fields"

"Nowhere Man"

"Tomorrow Never Knows"

"Sgt Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band"

"Come Together"

"In My Life"

"The Word"

"When I'm Sixty Four"

"Hello, Goodbye/We Can Work It Out"

"Nowhere Man (Reprise)"

"Magical Mystery Tour"

"Lucy in the Sky With Diamonds"

"Yellow Submarine"

"Across the Universe"

"With A Little Help From My Friends"

"All You Need Is Love"

Whenever the words are green, I can click on them to listen to a quick sample of the song.

The show will begin with Mr. Sun saying hello to everyone in the audience. They will sing the song "Sun King"



He will tell us to imagine ourselves as tiny bugs in a gigantic backyard in order to tell us the story about a famous strawberry field.



Jay will come by on his skateboard while Crick sleeps in his bed. They both will sing the song "Good Day Sunshine/I'm So Tired"

Walter, Kumi and Buzz will appear and sing the song "Birthday" because Jay and Crick are Birthday Buddies and today is their Birthday!



To celebrate, the Beat Bugs will go on a fantastic adventure to "Strawberry Fields"

Meanwhile, in the office of Mean Mr. Mustard the Stink Bug, Prudence is answering all the ringing phones. Mean Mr. Mustard wants to build a pollution plant over the park, turning everything into waste. He wants revenge on all the bugs who teased him when he was little.



Prudence thinks the plan is a bad idea. She feels sad and sings the song "Nowhere Man".



Back at Strawberry fields, while the Beat Bugs eat their strawberries, a flock of Miner Birds are pulling out all the Strawberries under Mr. Mustard's orders who sings the song "Tomorrow Never Knows"

Mean Mr. Mustard will tie the Beat Bugs together with a rope and push them away. Mr. Mustard and the Miner birds will then go to their next spot to pull out more strawberries.



The Beat Bugs hop in to the Town Square, still tied up, where Sgt. Pepper, Billy Shears and a Band Member sing the song "Sgt Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band". They cut the Beat Bugs out of the rope that they are tied up in.



The Beat Bugs tell everyone that Mean Mr. Mustard is building a new factory that will pollute all of the plants. They all decide to go and save Strawberry fields. They make protest signs and sing the song "Come Together".



When the Beat Bugs get to Strawberry field, they see that all the Strawberries are already gone. Mean Mr. Mustard is planning to turn the whole backyard into one big poisonous pollution plant. Walter feels sad that he might lose his home and sings the song "In My Life".



Sgt. Peppers appears and gives Walter the idea to put on a Musical in order to get the Queen Bee's attention and put an end to the pollution plant. They sing the song "The Word" and Walter gets all of the Beat Bugs ready to perform in the show that will save the backyard.





The Beat Bugs are having a hard time rehearsing and working together for the musical. They sing the song

"Hello, Goodbye/We Can Work It Out".

The Beat Bugs apologize to one another and get back to rehearsal.



Meanwhile, Mr. Mustard finds out about the musical from Prudence. After the Miner Birds make fun of him, Mr. Mustard takes off to go and stop the show while Prudence sings the song "Nowhere Man (Reprise)"

Over at Strawberry Fields, the Beat Bugs are all on stage, dressed up in their show outfits and getting ready for the musical concert. During the concert, they sing the songs,

"Magical Mystery Tour"

"Lucy in the Sky With Diamonds"

and

"Yellow Submarine".



The concert will be suddenly interrupted by Mr. Mustard with a Megaphone. He tries to get everyone to leave but Prudence tells him to zip it so that Buzz can sing her own song,

"Across the Universe".

It's a song about listening to what her friend taught her and how important they are to her.

Home is the love you surround yourself with.



After the song, The Queen Bee appears and is touched by Buzz's song. She declares that Mr. Mustard must stop polluting the strawberry field and repair the backyard. The Beat Bugs have saved the day!



Queen Bee then invites Joe Cockeroach to sing "With A Little Help From My Friends" alongside the Beat Bugs.





Mr. Sun returns and tells the audience that the Beat Bugs, Prudence, Mean Mr. Mustard and the Miner Birds all lived happily together in the Backyard. They sing "All You Need Is Love" and the musical ends. All of the actors will take their bows at the end of the show. I can clap for them if I had a lot of fun watching the show. I will then leave the Aurora Theatre

I am so excited to see Beat Bugs: A Musical Adventure!



If I have any questions about the show that weren't answered, my caregiver or I can email renita@auroratheatre.com or greta@auroratheatre.com



Character Guide

TV Show Musical



JAY is a beetle who is very curious and determined. He likes to skateboard and play the piano.



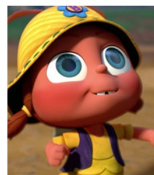
CRICK is a cricket who is very creative and smart. Crick loves to invent new things and play the guitar.



KUMI is a ladybug who loves to solve problems and go on adventures. Kumi cares very much about all of her friends.



WALTER is a slug who is very brave and loves to tell jokes. Walter is also a big fan of the theatre and loves to sing.



BUZZ is an optimistic and excitable fruit fly. She is the youngest of the Beat Bugs. In this show, Buzz is a puppet who likes to spend time in Kumi's bag.



More Characters

TV Show



MR. SUN is the King of the backyard. He loves telling stories and everyone looks up to him.

Musical



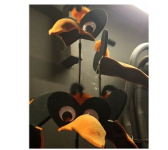
SERGEANT PEPPERS is the leader of his own band who loves to perform.



QUEEN BEE is the Queen of the backyard. All of the bugs listen to what she has to say.



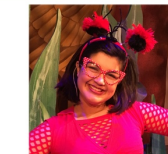
MINER BIRDS are birds that peck all of the Strawberries out of Strawberry Field for Mr. Mustard. Their peckers sound like jackhammer.



These are characters that are original to the musical and not from the TV show.



MEAN MR. MUSTARD is a stink bug who wants to build a pollution plant over Strawberry Fields. He wants to get revenge on all the bugs who made fun of him when he was little.



PRUDENCE is Mr. Mustard's assistant who is worried about Mr. Mustard's plan. She wishes that she wasn't so unseen.



JOE COCKROACH is a very famous cockroach slinger.



BILLY SHEARS is a member of Sgt. Pepper's band. He carries a large pair of scissors.



BAND MEMBER is a street performer in Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band.



BACKYARD BUGS are the bugs who live in the backyard and help out the Beat Bugs.