

A Visual Story for Dick Whittington



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TO THE
CROWD

**Dick
Whittington**
A Traditional Family Pantomime
Written & Directed by James Barry | Music by Simon Slater

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Hello

Hello from Theatre Royal Winchester.

This Visual Story has been made to help you get to know the theatre before you come to see our pantomime Dick Whittington.

If you would like any more information after reading this Visual Story then please contact our friendly Box Office team.

Call:
01962 840 440

Email:
boxoffice@playtothecrowd.co.uk



Arriving at the theatre

When you arrive at the theatre you will enter through these doors.

You will find yourself in our Foyer.

Before a performance the Foyer can be busy and noisy while families wait to take their seats.



Collecting your tickets

You will find a Box Office in the Foyer where you collect your tickets from a member of staff sitting behind a desk.

If you already have your ticket you may not need to visit the Box Office, but staff are always behind the desk to help you.



Ushers

Ushers work at the theatre and you will see lots of them when you come to see Dick Whittington.

Ushers wear name badges. They are very friendly and are here to help you if you have any questions.



Cafe Bar

This is our Cafe Bar.

You can buy drinks and snacks here.

Just like the Ushers, the bar staff are friendly and can help you if you have any questions.



Toilets

If you need to go to the toilet follow the signs. We have toilets located on each level of the theatre.

If you can't find the toilet, please ask an Usher for help.

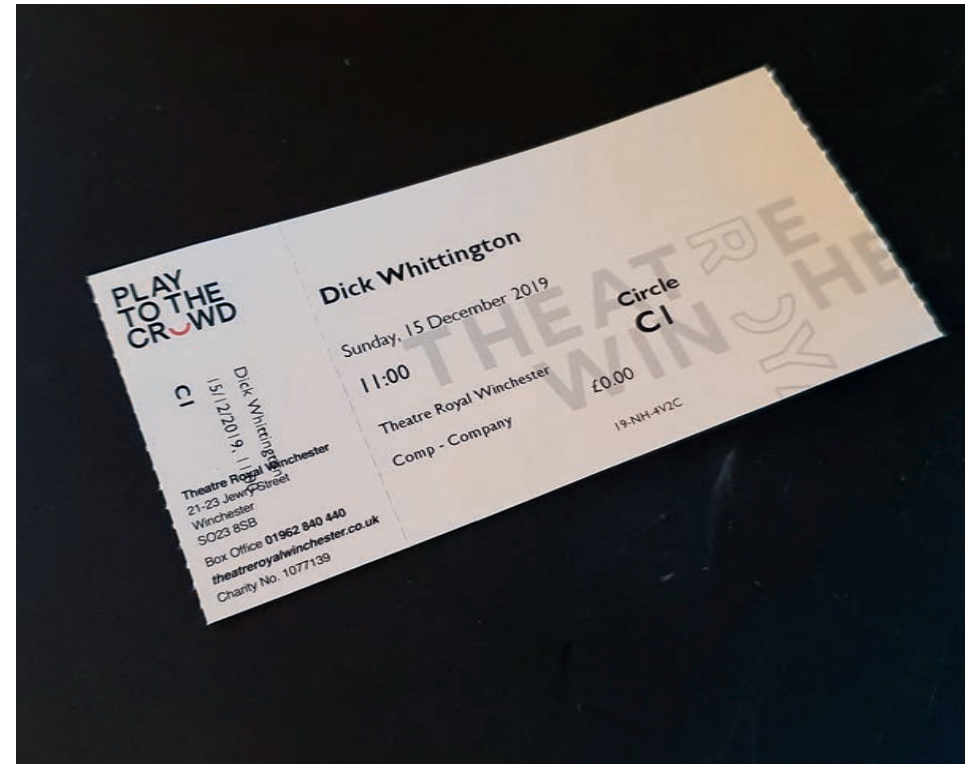


Going into the Auditorium

You can enter the Auditorium and take your seat up to half an hour before the performance starts.

Or you can wait in the Foyer and there will be an announcement when the performance is about to begin.

An Usher will ask to see your ticket as you enter the Auditorium. You can find your seat number on your ticket.



Going into the Auditorium

If your seats are in the Stalls you will enter these doors.



If your seat is in the Circle you will need to go up the stairs.

There is also a lift located in the Cafe Bar area, please ask an Usher for assistance.



Going into the Auditorium

If your seats are in the Circle you will enter these doors upstairs.



The Auditorium looks like this.

It is a large room filled with seats facing a stage.

When you take your seat it may be noisy.



The performance

The performance you're coming to see is Dick Whittington.

When the performance is about to start the lights will dim, everyone will stop talking and music will begin.

The actors will then walk onto the stage and the show will start.



The performance

During the performance you will see all sorts of characters: Dame Dolly Dumpling, the Cat, Fairy Bow Bells, King Rat, Sultan, Alderman, Captain and Dick Whittington himself!

Some of the characters might make jokes and everyone will laugh.

When King Rat comes on stage everyone might boo and hiss.



The performance

There might be loud music during the performance. You can cover your ears if it's too loud.

Everyone might clap during the performance, you can clap too.

If you need to take some time out during the performance, that's ok. You can use the Chill-Out space in our Circle Bar. Ushers will show you where to go. The performance will play on a TV screen so you won't miss anything.



Circle Bar



The interval

Half way through the performance there will be a break called an interval. The lights will brighten again and you can leave your seat if you want to.

The interval will last for 20 minutes and will allow you to have a break, stretch your legs, have something to eat or drink and use the toilet.



The interval

At the end of the interval there will be an announcement. You will then need to return to your seat.

When the performance is about to continue the lights will dim again and the actors will return to the stage for the second half of the show.



The end of the show

At the end of the show everyone will clap and make noise to show the actors they enjoyed the performance.

While everyone is clapping the actors will come to the front of the stage and take a bow.

When the actors leave the stage the lights will come back up and everyone will begin to leave the auditorium.

It might get busy and noisy as people leave, but this is ok, everyone is just going home.



Have fun

We hope you enjoy our production of
Dick Whittington.

See you soon!

