

# Relaxed Performance Information Pack for It's Hot, It's Not

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### Hello!

We are looking forward to welcoming you to **Curve** for our **Relaxed Performance** of **It's Hot, It's Not**. We hope you are excited to see the show!

This pack is designed to give you a bit more information about the performance and our theatre, to help you prepare for your visit.

#### What is a Relaxed Performance?

**Relaxed Performances** are open to everyone but are especially tailored to support audiences with additional needs who may benefit from a more relaxed performance environment. This can include children, young people and adults with neurodivergence, such as autism, learning difficulties and other sensory or communication needs.

Throughout the performance the lights will remain on, the **studio** doors will stay open and audience members will be free to come and go from the **studio** if they need a break from the performance. There is also a relaxed attitude to noise during the show.

The show's sound and lighting will be adapted to more comfortable levels, and the script may also be tweaked to reduce or remove surprising moments.

**Curve** is a large, round building with a glass front.

The outside of **Curve** looks like this.



**Rutland Street Entrance** 

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There are two main entrances to the building – one by our **Green Room Café** (Halford Street), and another by our **Box Office** (Rutland Street).

Both entrances have a set of glass double doors. These should open automatically, but can also be opened by pressing the silver button on the wall or rail.

There is level access into the building from both entrances.

When you enter the building, you will be in the Foyer.

Our **Foyer** is one big circle which wraps around our two performance spaces – the **Theatre** and the **Studio** – so it's really easy to find your way around.

As you walk around the **Foyer** you may notice lots of large pictures on the big, red walls.

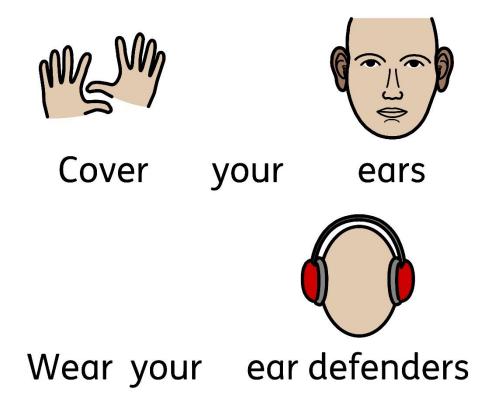
This is our **production gallery**, and features pictures from previous productions here at **Curve**.





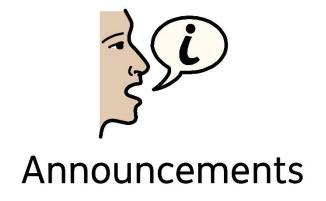
It may be busy and noisy in the **Foyer** as other audience members will be arriving to see the show.

You can **cover your ears** or wear your **ear defenders** to soften the noise.

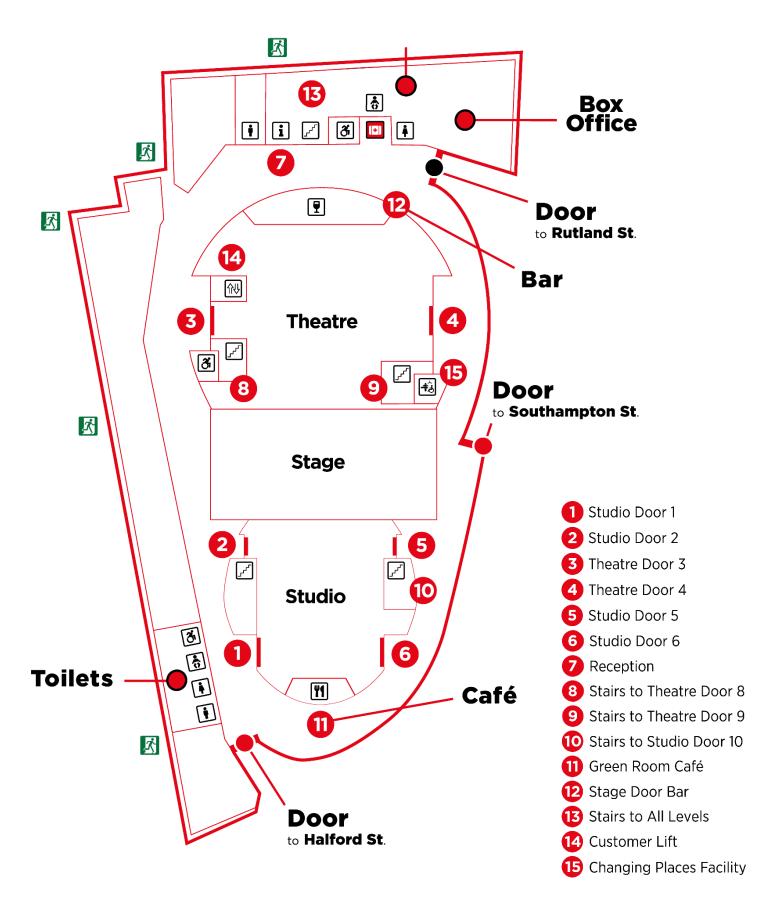


There will also be some loud announcements in the **Foyer** telling you how long it is until the show begins, and other useful information.

These will be at a quieter level during the **Relaxed Performance**.



Here is a map of the **Ground Floor** of our Theatre.



In the Foyer inside the Rutland Street doors, you will find our Box Office.

This is where you can collect your tickets for the show, or buy tickets if you have not already booked.

Other audience members will also be collecting their tickets, so there might be a small queue.





Car parking tickets for cars parked in the **NCP Rutland Centre Car Park** next door to **Curve** can be validated at the **Box Office** for £5.50.

In the Foyer you will also find our Green Room Café.

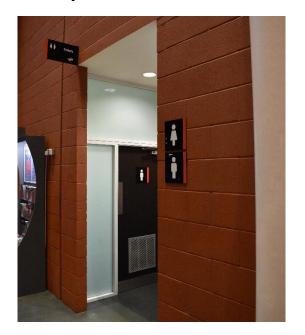
Here you can buy a drink, snack or ice cream to enjoy before the performance.

There may be a small queue at the Café.



If you need to use the toilet during your visit, there are male, female and accessible toilets near the **Green Room Café** and **Box Office**.

A R.A.D.A.R key is available at the Green Room Café. The toilets look like this.











All hand dryers will be turned off during the **Relaxed Performance**, and paper towels will be provided.

You will be watching It's Hot, It's Not in the Studio.

The **Studio** is one of our smaller performance spaces, and has lots of soft, black seats. Here is a picture of the **Studio**.



Your **ticket** will tell you if you are sitting at **Stage Level** (ground floor, enter through **Studio Doors 1** or **6**) or in the **Balcony** (upstairs, enter through **Studio Door 10**), what door to enter through and where to sit.

If you are sat in the **Balcony**, you will have to climb a number of stairs to access **Studio Door 10**.







A member of our **Visitor Experience Team** can help you find the right door and your seat by looking at the letters and numbers on your ticket.

The **Visitor Experience Team** will be wearing black shirts with a colourful Curve logo.



When you enter the **Studio**, the lights will be on and it may be noisy as the audience will be excited to see the show.

You might like to **cover your ears** or **wear your ear defenders** to soften the noise, and bring a toy to play with before the performance starts.

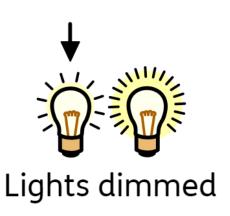
You will need to pull the bottom of your seat down to sit on it.



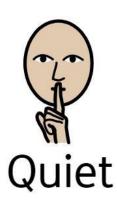
**Booster seats** are available if you can't see the stage comfortably, and a member of our **Visitor Experience Team** can get one for you.

If you would like us to store your wheelchair or walker during the performance, or if you need assistance with transferring to a seat, please speak to a member of our **Visitor Experience Team**.

When the show is about to start, the lights in the **Studio** will be dimmed but it will never go completely dark.



Everyone will try to be as quiet as they can so they can listen to the story, but you can make noise throughout the performance if you would like to.

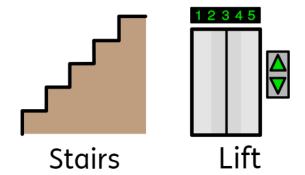


If you need a break from the performance, you can visit our quiet space in Rehearsal Room 2 (RR2) on the Mezzanine (Level M).

You can return to the performance when you are ready.



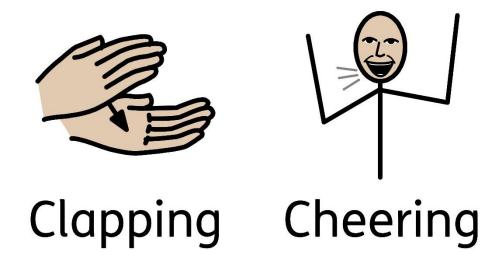
You will need to take the stairs or the public lift to access **RR2**, and a member of our **Visitor Experience Team** can help you find it.



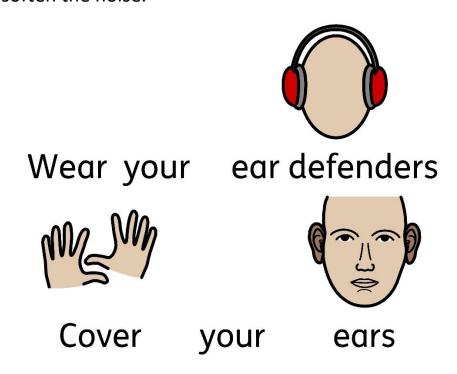
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When the show has finished, the cast will come back onto the stage and bow. The audience will clap and cheer to show the cast they enjoyed the show.

You can also clap and cheer if you would like to.



It can be noisy during this time, but you can **cover your ears** or **wear your ear defenders** to soften the noise.



When the show has finished, the lights will come back on in the **Studio**. You can then leave **Curve** when you are ready to.

## **Useful Information**



The approximate running time for It's Hot, It's Not is 45 minutes.

The show will start at **1.30pm**, and finish at approximately **2.15pm**.

There will not be an interval during this performance, but you will be able to leave the **Studio** at any time.



The age recommendation for It's Hot, It's Not is 2 – 5 years. There are no specific warnings for this production, but you can find lots more information about the show in the Visual Story pack for It's Hot, It's Not, enclosed with this information pack about our theatre.

If you have any concerns about the content of *It's Hot, It's Not*, please contact us on <a href="mailto:access@curvetheatre.co.uk">access@curvetheatre.co.uk</a>, or speak to a member of our **Visitor Experience Team** on the day.





## We hope you find this information pack helpful ahead of your visit to Curve.

If you have any comments on this information pack, please email us on <a href="mailto:access@curvetheatre.co.uk">access@curvetheatre.co.uk</a>.

For more information about Accessibility at Curve, please visit <a href="https://www.curveonline.co.uk">www.curveonline.co.uk</a>, or call our **Box Office** on **0116 242 3595**.

We look forward to welcoming you!