



PITTSBURGH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

SENSORY FRIENDLY
HOLIDAY
POPS

VISITING THE PITTSBURGH
 SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA 

BEFORE THE CONCERT
SENSORY FRIENDLY PRE-VISIT STORIES



HEINZ HALL

I am going to Heinz Hall in the city of Pittsburgh.

Heinz Hall is a theater where the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra performs musical concerts.



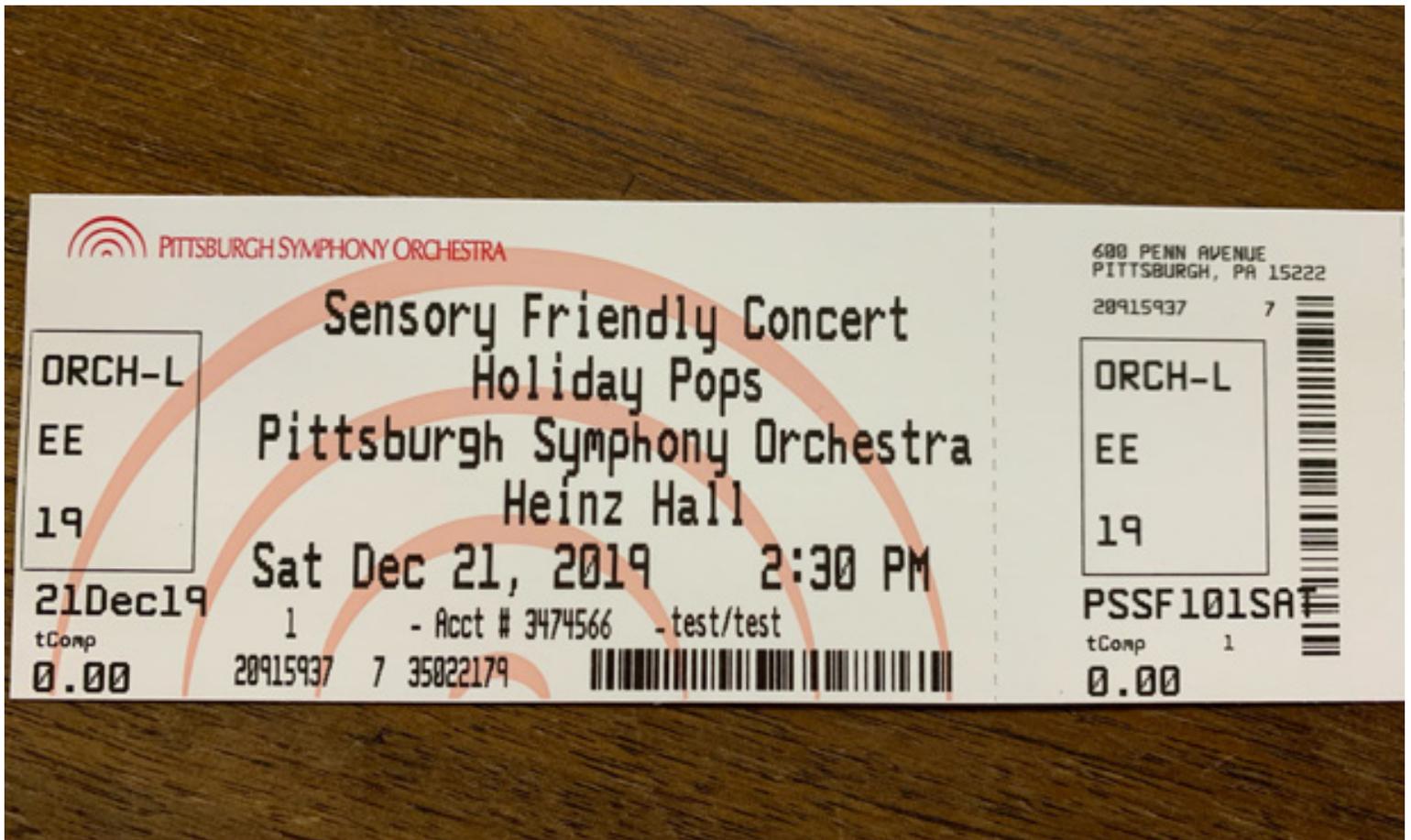
WAITING

When I go to Heinz Hall, I may have to wait in a line to enter.

I might have to wait in line to get to my seat.

I might have to wait in line in the bathroom.

I might have to wait in line to do the activities or meet a musician.



TICKETS

I will need a ticket to enter Heinz Hall.

The ticket tells me where I will sit during the concert.

I will get a ticket from the box office.



HOLIDAY POPS

This concert is about celebrating the holidays with family and friends.

The concert will have music that celebrates Christmas and Hanukkah.

Many different people will perform with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra.

Santa Claus will sing with the orchestra on stage.

Music can make me feel different emotions.



LOBBY

When I enter Heinz Hall, I will enter into a big lobby.
The lobby might be crowded and noisy.
There are activities I can do before finding my seat.
If I don't like the lobby, I can go to a quiet area in
Heinz Hall.



PEOPLE

Many people will be at Heinz Hall to see the concert.

The theater and lobby may be crowded.

I will stay close to my mom or dad when I am in the crowds.

If I want to get away from the crowds, I can go to the quiet areas in Heinz Hall.



USHER/TICKETS

The usher is a friendly helper.

I will give my ticket to the usher to enter the theater.

The usher will use a scanning machine to check my ticket.

The usher helps me and my family find our seats.



BATHROOMS

If I have to go to the bathroom, I will let my mom or dad know.

I can go to the bathroom any time I need to.

The toilet will flush when I stand up.

The sound of the flushing toilet can be loud and flush more than one time, but it will only be for a short time.



MEET THE MUSICIANS

I can meet the musicians and see their instruments.

I can ask the musician questions about the musical instrument.

I can ask the musician about playing an instrument.

I can ask the musician about being in an orchestra.

Other people will want to ask the musician questions too.

I should keep my questions short.



MOVEMENT ACTIVITY

There is a movement activity before the show.

I can do the movement activity if I want to.

I will follow the adult who is leading the movement activity.

I can move my body to the music.



SOUND EXPLORATORIUM

Before the concert, I can go to the Sound Exploratorium.

The Sound Exploratorium is an activity where I can see, touch, hear, and learn about musical instruments.

The Sound Exploratorium activity can be noisy with loud and sudden sounds.

If the sounds are too loud, I can cover my ears or wear headphones.

If I don't like the Sound Exploratorium, I can go to the Quiet Room.



ART ACTIVITY

Before the concert, I can participate in an art activity.

I can make art with different art materials.

Every art material will feel different on my skin.

I can choose the materials that I like.



USHER IN AISLE

If I need help to find my seat, I can ask the usher.

If I need help to find the bathroom, I can ask the usher.

If I have a question about Heinz Hall or the concert, I can ask the usher.

The usher has many jobs to do during the concert.

I should keep my questions short.



FINDING MY SEAT

I can match the number and letter on my ticket with the number and letter on the seats.

When I find a match, this is my seat.



QUIET ROOM

If I need quiet time, I will tell my mom or dad.

I can leave the activities or concert to go to the quiet room in Heinz Hall.

I can relax in the Quiet Room or walk around the lobby.

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