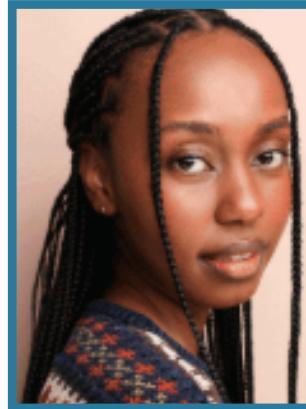


Arden Children's Theatre

Madeleine  
L'Engle's **A  
Wrinkle  
in  
Time**

Social Narrative

# Meet the Actors!



**Mersha Wambua** *they/she*  
(Meg)

**Fun Fact:** She loves playing Animal Crossing: New Horizons on her Nintendo Switch. She has logged in 1300 hours on the game.



**Jayson Brown** *he/him*  
(Charles Wallace and others)  
**Fun Fact:** He rides a longboard!



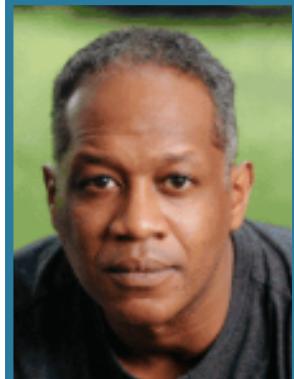
**Daniel Burgess** *he/him*  
(Calvin & others)  
**Fun Fact:** He loves to juggle! (but only with a maximum of 3 objects)

# Meet the Actors!



**Doug Hara** *he/him*  
(Mrs. Whatsit & others)

**Fun Fact:** He has been a beekeeper for 3 years and tends to 200,000 bees!



**Steven Anthony Wright** *he/him*  
(Father, Mrs. Which, and others)

**Fun Fact:** He loves to cook and especially enjoys making comfort soul food and brunch food.



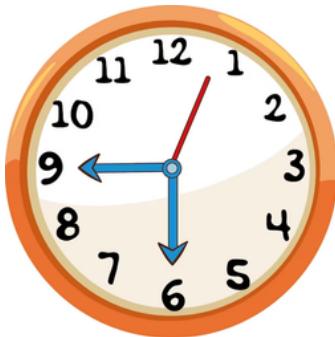
**Julianna Zinkel** *she/her*  
(Mother, Mrs. Who, & others)

**Fun Fact:** She is a Girl Scout troop leader!

# I am going to see a play!



I am going to see a live performance of *A Wrinkle in Time* at the Arden!



There will be a 15 minute intermission in the middle of the show and a talkback after the show.



The show will be on stage inside the Arden. I will find more information about the building below.

# What will I do at the Arden?

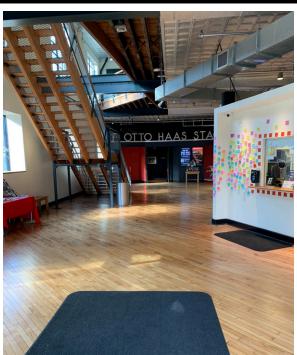
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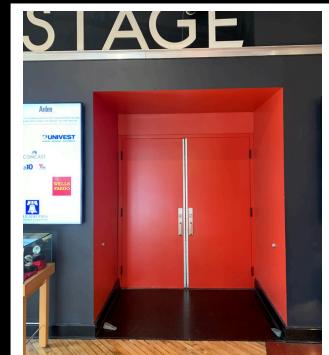
I will enter up the steps to the front entrance or up the ramp to the side entrance.



I will check in at the box office and will be directed to the theatre.



I will then walk through the lobby leading to the red double doors into the theatre. An usher will greet me, scan my ticket, and hand me a stagebill.



I will enter the theatre and an usher will show me where to sit.

# What will I do at the Arden?



Before the performance begins, I can stay seated or stand in front of my seat. I can also talk and stretch by my seat. I will also have the chance to use the restroom.



Someone will go on the stage and give a curtain speech, where they will discuss what is expected of me during the show. Once this person begins their speech, I will sit in my seat and stay seated.



The lights in the audience will dim to let us know that the show is starting. The actors will then come onstage and perform the show. There will be lights, sound, and music.



The actors in this show will be wearing many costumes and holding or using props. This may feel strange or scary at times, but I will remember that they are still just the actors I saw before!



Halfway through the show, the lights will get bright again for intermission. I can return to the lobby, stretch my body, and use the bathroom. Then, the lights in the lobby will flicker to let me know when to return to my seat in the theatre. The lights will dim again, I will get quiet, and the show will continue!

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# What will I do at the Arden?



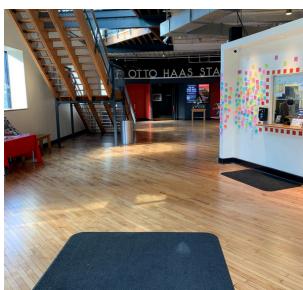
When the show is complete, the actors will come out onstage and bow. I can applaud while the actors take their bows to show them I appreciate their performance.



When the performance is over, the lights in the audience will get brighter. I will stay seated and get ready for the talkback with the actors.



During the talkback, I can raise my hand to answer and to ask questions of my own, when appropriate. The talkback will last around 15 minutes.



After the talkback ends, I will leave the theatre through the red double doors that I entered through. I will then walk through the lobby to exit through the front doors.

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# What is expected of me at the Arden?

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|    | Masks are optional in the theatre. I will have the option to wear my mask or not wear my mask. It is up to me!  |
|   | I will use the restroom before the show, during intermission or after the show. I will only leave the theatre during the play to use the bathroom if it is absolutely necessary.                                    |
|  | If I have a personal electronic device like a cellphone, I will turn it off or silence it before the show begins. I will not take any pictures or videos of the performance.  |
|  | There are assisted listening devices (ALD) in the box office for me to use if I need further assistance in hearing everything on the stage. If I need to use an ALD or have any questions, I can let an usher know! |

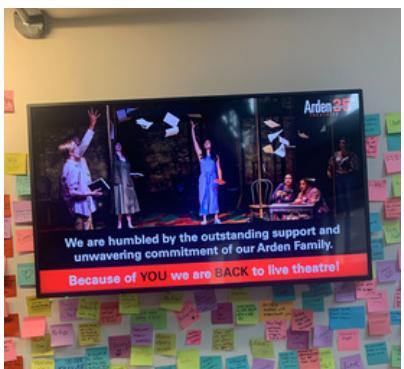
# What is expected of me at the Arden?



Once the performance begins, I will stay seated. Something the actors do or say might make me laugh, cry, or make other sounds. That is great and will help the actors know that I am engaged.



I will enjoy the set while remaining in my seat. I may look but not touch the set or climb on the set at all while I am in the theatre.



If at any point during the show, I feel overwhelmed or need to step out of the theatre for any reason, I will ask an adult if I can step outside into the lobby. I will have the option to keep watching the actors on the monitor on the wall.

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# Thank You For Joining Us!



Enjoy the show!