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**GOING TO A SHOW
AT THE TODD WEHR
THEATER**

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I am going to see a First Stage show at the Todd Wehr Theater.



I am going to see the show with

**Watching a play is like watching TV or a movie,
except people are on stage in front of us.**



They are called actors. They can see and hear me too.
I can't turn the channel or turn the volume up and down.

A play is made up of many interesting things.



Costumes



Scenery



Sound



Lighting

When we arrive at the theater, we will probably have to climb some stairs. There are stairs outside the building, and inside the building.



We may need to wait in line to scan our tickets.



When we are waiting, I can stay with my family or teacher.

An usher will help us find our seats.

We will enter the theater and find our seats.



There are bathrooms in the lobby. If I need to, I can use the bathroom before we go to our seats.

Someone will show us where to sit.



The audience area is for all of us.



The stage is for the actors only.

When I am in the theater waiting for the show to start:

1. I can talk to my family or friends.
2. I can take a short break in the lobby.



There will be a lot of people in theater and it may get noisy.

If it gets too loud:

1. I can bring headphones if I want.
2. I can put my hands over my ears.
3. I can leave the room and take a short break in the lobby.



I can come back when I am ready.

During the show:

1. I can watch and listen to the actors quietly.
2. I can applaud if I like something.
3. I can hold things in my hand that make me feel comfortable.



If I need to talk:

1. I can talk quietly to my family.
2. I can write down what I want to say.
3. I can leave the room.

After the show there will be a “talkback.”

The talkback is a chance for me to ask questions.

1. I will raise my hand to show that I want to ask a question.
2. I will wait for the leader to call on me to ask my question.
3. I don't have to ask a question if I don't want.



I can ask different kinds of questions:

1. I can ask questions about the show.
2. I can ask questions about the scenery, costumes, lights, or sound.

**After the show is finished,
I will leave the theater with my family.**



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MEET THE "SPONGE" CAST

These are the actors you will see at the
Sensory Friendly Performance on
Saturday, March 18, 2023 at 3:30PM.

THIS IS GRACIE.



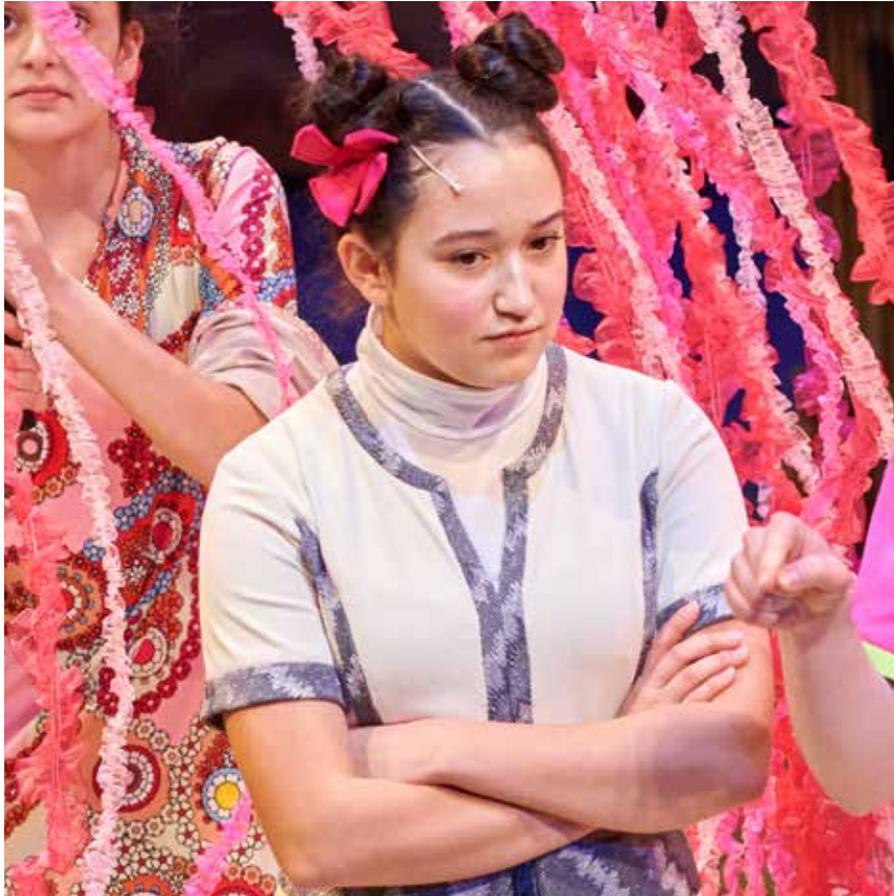
They play the role of SpongeBob SquarePants. SpongeBob is happy, energetic, and likes to think positively. SpongeBob worries that people think he is just a “simple sponge”, or that he isn’t good enough the way he is because Mr. Krabs says they cannot be the manager of “The Krusty Krab”. SpongeBob teams up with his friends to try and save Bikini Bottom, prove those who doubt him wrong, and to discover what their special skill in life is.

THIS IS GAVIN.



They play the role of Patrick Star. Patrick is SpongeBob's best friend, or "BFF". Patrick sometimes gets confused or distracted, but cares a lot about SpongeBob and his other friends. Patrick tries to help his friends save Bikini Bottom from Mount Humongous using their strength or their "brawn".

THIS IS NATALIE.



They play the role of Sandy Cheeks. Sandy is a squirrel and is very smart and tough- they are a scientist and know karate. They are treated differently by others in Bikini Bottom because they are a squirrel, or a “land mammal” who lives underwater with sea creatures. Sandy uses their intelligence to try and help save Bikini Bottom by inventing the “Eruptor Interrupter”.

THIS IS JESSE.



They play the role of Plankton. Plankton is the villain of the play. Plankton tries to trick the town into liking chum and only eating at their restaurant, "The Chum Bucket", by convincing them to leave town in his "escape pod". Plankton's real plan is to make his restaurant successful and put "The Krusty Krab" out of business by becoming the new leader of the townspeople.

THIS IS BREE.



They play the role of Karen the Computer. Karen is Plankton's wife and tries to help Plankton take over the town with their evil plan by playing along with Plankton's lies and finding the Avalanche Maker 3000.

THIS IS LACHRISA.



They play the role of Ms. Mayor. Ms. Mayor is the leader of Bikini Bottom. Ms. Mayor causes the town to panic about Mount Humongous, and demands that everyone follows their orders because they are the Mayor.

THIS IS SAVANNAH.



They play the role of Perch Perkins, who is a news reporter in Bikini Bottom. Perch shares negative news to the town about Mount Humongous on TV, which helps cause people to panic and turn against one another.

THIS IS ZACH.



They play the role of Mr. Krabs. Mr. Krabs is the owner of “The Krusty Krab”, and is obsessed with money. Mr. Krabs tells SpongeBob they are just a “simple sponge”, which hurts Spongebob’s feelings.

THIS IS DOUG.



They play the role of Squidward. Squidward works with SpongeBob at “The Krusty Krab”. Squidward is grouchy and thinks negatively about things. Squidward has always wanted to be an artist, so they try to play their clarinet and dance in the “shell-e-thon” to raise money for Plankton’s escape pod and show their talents to the town before it is possibly destroyed.

THIS IS RAVEN.



They the role of Mrs. Puff, SpongeBob's teacher from boating school. Mrs. Puff leads a mob to kick Sandy out of town after Plankton tells them to blame Sandy for Mount Humongous.

THIS IS PAUL.



Paul is the musical's foley artist. Paul uses everyday objects and special instruments to create and perform sound effects during the play.

THIS IS THE ENSEMBLE.



The ensemble plays many different characters from Bikini Bottom and sing and dance throughout the play.

SYNOPSIS

(Prologue) Are you ready kids? (Aye aye captain!) I can't hear you. (Aye Aye captain!) Our story begins under the sea, in a town called Bikini Bottom. We meet a wee simple sponge, named SpongeBob Squarepants, who lives in a pineapple. As SpongeBob goes about his morning we meet his friends and neighbors. *(Bikini Bottom Day)* SpongeBob's pet snail, Gary, asks for breakfast. SpongeBob walks past his best friend, Patrick's, house, which is a rock. Squidward, a squid and Patrick and SpongeBob's neighbor, comes out of his house – shaped like an Easter Island Head – and complains that they are being too loud. SpongeBob walks past his friend Sandy's house. Sandy is a squirrel inventor who lives in The Tree Dome. SpongeBob arrives at his job; he is a fry cook at The Krusty Krab, owned by Mr. Krabs. Plankton owns the Chum Bucket, another restaurant in town, and the Krusty Krab's rival. Mr. Krabs loves making money, and Plankton and his computer wife, Karen, enjoy plotting and scheming. SpongeBob also sees Ms. Mayor, the mayor of Bikini Bottom, and Mrs. Puff who is his driving teacher. At work, SpongeBob lets Mr. Krabs know that he'd like to be the manager of The Krusty Krab, but Mr. Krabs tells him no, he's just a wee simple sponge. SpongeBob feels very upset. *(Bikini Bottom Day Reprise 1)*

A loud rumbling sound is heard, and news reporter Perch Perkins tells the people of Bikini Bottom that the volcano Mt. Humongous is trembling. Ms. Mayor informs everyone that if the volcano erupted, all that they know and

love would be obliterated, but not to worry, because the government has everything under control. Panic ensues, but SpongeBob wonders how one volcano can really be so bad. Sandy reveals that her calculations show that the volcano will erupt – tomorrow! *(No Control!)* SpongeBob finds Patrick panicking, but Patrick isn't panicking about the volcano, he's panicking because the news is interrupting all of his shows and he can't find his belly button scratcher. SpongeBob tells him that everything will be ok as long as they're together because they're bffs, best friends forever. *(BFF)*

The Mayor calls all citizens to a town meeting, and tries to begin a task force to address the volcano issue. The townsfolk share their ideas. Sandy suggests they should use her research and science to solve the problem. The townsfolk don't listen to her, because she's not from Bikini Bottom. Plankton shares his idea – evacuate the town in an escape pod and form a new town called Chumville. *(When the Going Gets Tough)* The townsfolk agree, and they plan to hold a concert to raise money to buy the escape pod. SpongeBob doesn't think they should abandon their home, and tries to convince Sandy to talk the townsfolk into using science to solve the problem. Mr. Krabs tells SpongeBob there's nothing he can do, he's just a simple sponge. SpongeBob decides that he'll prove that he's not a simple sponge, and, together with Sandy and Patrick, will solve the volcano problem using science. *((Just a Simple Sponge)*

SYNOPSIS CONT.

The townsfolk decide they must blame someone for their problems, so they blame Sandy, since she's a land mammal and not from Bikini Bottom. The mob gets angrier and angrier, and Sandy flees to Jellyfish Fields. SpongeBob and Patrick find her, and convince her that Bikini Bottom is her home, and that they need her help to save it! (*Hero Is My Middle Name*) The three work together and plan to climb to the top of Mt. Humongous and drop in Sandy's Ingenious Bubble Device. They tell Squidward about their idea, but Plankton and Karen are eavesdropping, and plot to foil their plan. Patrick and SpongeBob get into an argument about Patrick's belly button scratcher, and Patrick decides to quit the team. It's all up to SpongeBob and Sandy now.

The town is in chaos with fish running around the streets, chanting "blame the squirrel" and even zapping folks with jellyfish on sticks. Luckily, Sandy completed building her Ingenious Bubble Device, the Erupter Interrupter. Plankton still hasn't come up with a plan to foil Sandy and SpongeBob's volcano destroying plot, but his computer wife Karen comes to the rescue with the Avalanche Maker 3000™. SpongeBob and Sandy begin the arduous climb to the top of Mt. Humongous. (*Chop To the Top*) Halfway through the climb, SpongeBob falls into a hole, but Sandy is able to get him out. Meanwhile, on the ground Squidward is preparing for his concert, but it's canceled due to impending doom. (*I'm Not a Loser*) Patrick finds his belly button scratcher,

and realizes that he misses SpongeBob. (*(I Guess) I Miss You*) We return to the top of Mt. Humongous to find SpongeBob and Sandy almost at the top. Karen and Plankton fire their Avalanche Maker 3000™. SpongeBob gets hit during the avalanche and begins to fall, but Patrick, wearing Sandy's jetpack, saves the day. The two friends make up, but they all realize that SpongeBob is the only one who can squeeze through and drop the Erupter Interrupter into the volcano. (*Simple Sponge (Reprise)*) Sandy and Patrick encourage him, telling SpongeBob that he brings management skills to their team. SpongeBob is successful, but they have to wait to see if Sandy's invention worked.

Down below the town is still in chaos, and SpongeBob, Sandy and Patrick know they must help. Patrick has the idea to use the jetpack to get down to the town quickly. They arrive in Bikini Bottom and Plankton and Karen discover that their plan failed. SpongeBob, Patrick and Sandy reveal that they tried to stop the volcano, and that in seven minutes they'll know if it worked. SpongeBob encourages everyone to stop arguing and blaming each other, and to make the next seven minutes the best ever. (*Best Day Ever*) The townsfolk celebrate their potential last few minutes together, and Sandy's invention works! They decide to work together to rebuild Bikini Bottom, a town that welcomes everyone, even land mammals. (*Finale*) (*SpongeBob Theme Song*)

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The SpongeBob Musical For Young Audiences is a musical. The actors will be singing, dancing, and performing live sound effects onstage. One number in the play includes tap dancing.