



**Relaxed and Accessible Pantomime
Performance Panel**

Thursday 26 September 2024

11am – 1pm

If you would like to arrange a visit to come to familiarise yourself with the venue, please call 01865 319450.

The North Wall Arts Centre
South Parade
Summertown
OX2 7JN

This is what The North Wall looks like from the outside.



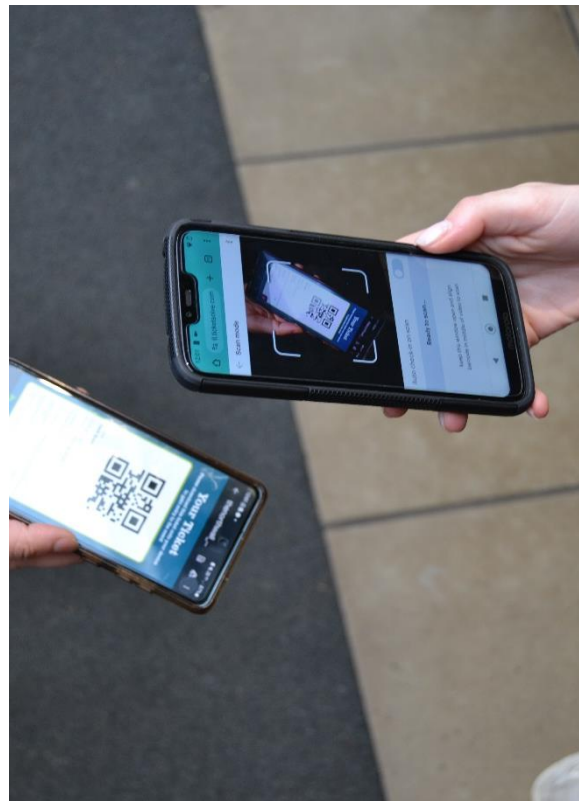
When you enter through the glass doors you will see the main front of house area.



If you look to the left you will see the gallery area. There will be different artwork on the walls. You can have a look around if you like.



Front of House staff will ask to scan your e-ticket on your device. This will have been emailed to you. Don't worry if you can't find it, we can help.



This is the bar where you can buy drinks or snacks. We can only take card payments.



The male, gender neutral and accessible toilets are just to the left side of the bar.



To get to the female toilets you must go up the stairs or go in the lift to the first floor.



The female toilets will be just in front of you.



Your seat number will be a letter and a number. Sometimes seating is unreserved, meaning you can sit wherever you like. If your ticket says Lower Gallery (LG) you will go into the theatre through one of the downstairs doors.



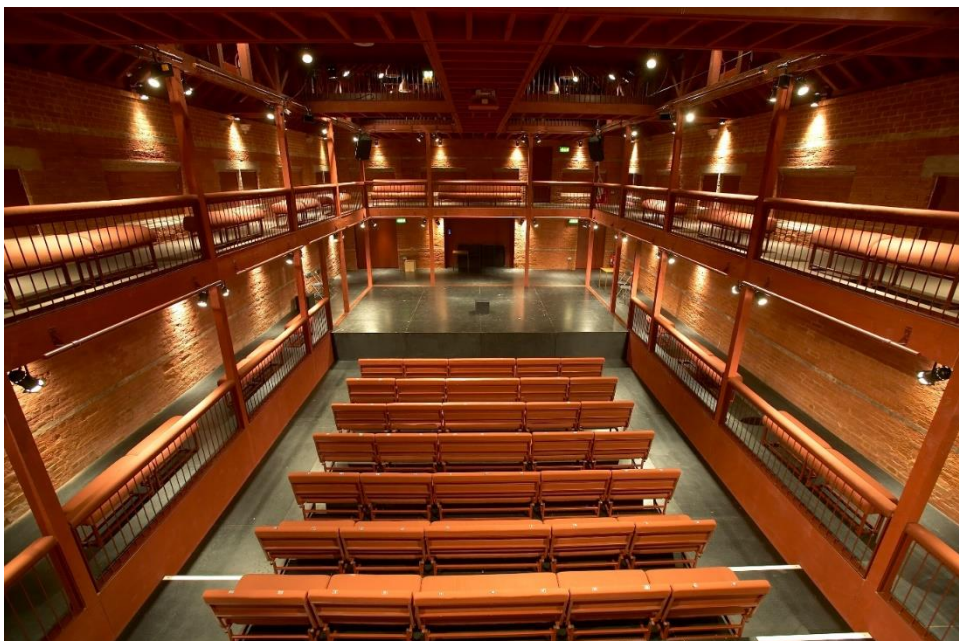
If your ticket says Upper Gallery (UG) you will use the upstairs entrance to the theatre.



When you enter the theatre, you will go through two doors and it will get slightly darker. Everyone will go to their seat and sit down.



This is what the theatre looks like. The stage might look different, it might be in a different position, or it may have props or set on it. The seats may be placed differently or taken out altogether.



This is Sam Munday-Webb, Trustee of The UK Pantomime Association. He will be the Panel Host.



These are the Panel Guests.



Dr Chris Abbott



Annie Bannister



Chris Jarvis



Jess Thom

Dr Chris Abbott is an Emeritus Reader in Assistive Technologies and is a project leader supporting young people with disabilities.

Annie Bannister is a Freelance Access Consultant.

Chris Jarvis is a CBeebies presenter, Pantomime Director, Performer and Writer.

Jess Thom is an Artist, Write, Activist and the Co-Founder of Touretteshero. Jess has a neurological condition that means she makes movements and noises she can't control.

There will be a large TV screen with live captioning for this talk.

This is a relaxed event, which means you are welcome to make noise and move around during the talk.

If you do want to leave the theatre during the talk, there will be a chill out zone on the first floor where you can go and relax. You can then go back to your seat whenever you feel ready.



Sensory equipment such as ear defenders, weighted blankets and fidget toys are available to use from front of house.

You might hear things that make you laugh, that's ok.



You might hear or see something on stage that makes you sad. That's ok too.



At the end, or during, the event the audience will clap their hands to show their appreciation.

