



Your performance location:

The VIRGINIA THEATRE at 203 WEST PARK AVENUE in CHAMPAIGN, ILLINOIS.

TWUSA GUIDELINES

Teachers and chaperones, in order to make the theatrical experience as pleasurable as possible for your group and all others in attendance, we ask that you review the following information with the students at least one day prior to your field trip. **Subsequent pages contain important information for your group and bus drivers.**

1. **NO FOOD, DRINKS OR SNACKS OF ANY KIND** are permitted in the theater or lobby—this includes bagged lunches and coolers.
2. **NO CAMERAS** or recording equipment of any kind are permitted inside the theater.
3. For many students, this performance will be their first experience with live theater. Instead of talking and whispering during the performance, please wait until after the show to discuss or comment about it. Also, no running, shouting or disruptive behavior at any time before, during, or after the show. Ushers may ask chaperones to remove disruptive children.
4. The performance lasts approximately one hour and restroom and drinking fountain privileges during that time must be reserved for absolute emergencies only (and then, as always, children must be accompanied by an adult).
5. For seating, please follow the instructions of the house staff at all times.
6. All patrons, regardless of age, must purchase a ticket to enter the theater.

Teachers and chaperones, please take an active role in watching over the students in your care and assisting them in maintaining appropriate behavior. We hope you enjoy the show.

Please see additional pages for instructions from the venue.



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For TWUSA performances at the Virginia Theatre, please plan to arrive at least 20 minutes before curtain time. Doors open approximately 30 minutes before curtain time.

All Buses are to drop off children on West Park Avenue facing East (exit facing South towards the theatre); after drop-off buses should circle one block and park facing south on State Street (west of the theatre).

Car Parking Info: Only metered parking is available for patrons, parents and chaperones attending the performance. Anyone that parks in any of the surrounding parking lots near the theatre will be towed at their expense. Metered spaces in downtown Champaign vary in price, but the ones in front of the Virginia (on Park Avenue) are 50 cents an hour (**Rates subject to change**).

Your group leader must present the Ticket of Admission to the Front-of-House Coordinator upon arrival. Groups will be seated once checked in. Everyone should remain seated after the show. The different school groups will be called when their bus arrives outside the theater.

Special Accommodation Requests: Please let TheaterWorksUSA know by **three** weeks in advance of the show and they will pass the information along to the venue. **Assisted listening devices are available at the Virginia. A single earpiece bud, ear speaker, or neck loop are the options we offered. Devices may be obtained at the box office before the show. A credit card, driver's license or other form of ID is required.** Again, please let TheaterWorksUSA know so that the request will be on the attendance list and when you arrive at the venue, please see a member of the staff on how to proceed.

Directions to the Virginia Theatre – 203 West Park Avenue, Champaign

Coming from the WEST – i.e. Peoria, Bloomington, Normal
I-74 east to exit 182 (Neil Street); south on Neil Street to Park Avenue. Turn Right (west) on Park, the theatre is two blocks on the left.



Coming from the EAST – i.e. Indianapolis

I-74 west to exit 182 (Neil Street); south on Neil Street to Park Avenue. Turn Right (west) on Park, the theatre is two blocks on the left.

Coming from the SOUTH – i.e. St. Louis

I-57 north to I-72 east; exit 235 A (University Ave). Take University east to Randolph Street. Left (north) on Randolph to Park Avenue. Left (west) on Park, you will see the theatre on the left.

Coming from the NORTH – i.e. Chicago

I-57 south to I-72 east; exit 235 A (University Ave). Take University east to Randolph Street. Left (north) on Randolph to Park Avenue. Left (west) on Park, you will see the theatre on the left.