

A TRIP TO ORCHESTRA HALL

FRIENDS OF THE MINNESOTA ORCHESTRA- KINDER KONZERTS™

PREPARING FOR THE BIG DAY!

The day of the concert is exciting for everyone, with lots to see and hear.

Let's prepare for the event by learning about what will happen.



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In a few weeks, we are going to take a trip to a special building made just for music. It's called Orchestra Hall. This is how Orchestra Hall looks from the outside.

The outside of Orchestra Hall has many glass walls. We'll walk through glass doors into a lobby.



THE LOBBY

Here's part of the lobby inside Orchestra Hall at a busy Family Concert. Children and their grownups are making pictures from a musical story.



The Minnesota Orchestra plays at Orchestra Hall. An orchestra is a group of musicians who play music together on many different instruments.

Here's a picture of the WHOLE Minnesota Orchestra.

8 will play at Kinder Konzerts.



ON STAGE

Here is how the Minnesota Orchestra looks when they all play their instruments on stage.



ALL ARE WELCOME

Orchestra Hall is a place for everyone.

Here we see some families at a Family Concert.



IN THE SOUND FACTORY

We will meet a friendly Guide who will teach us about music, help us find our way around, and lead us through the day.

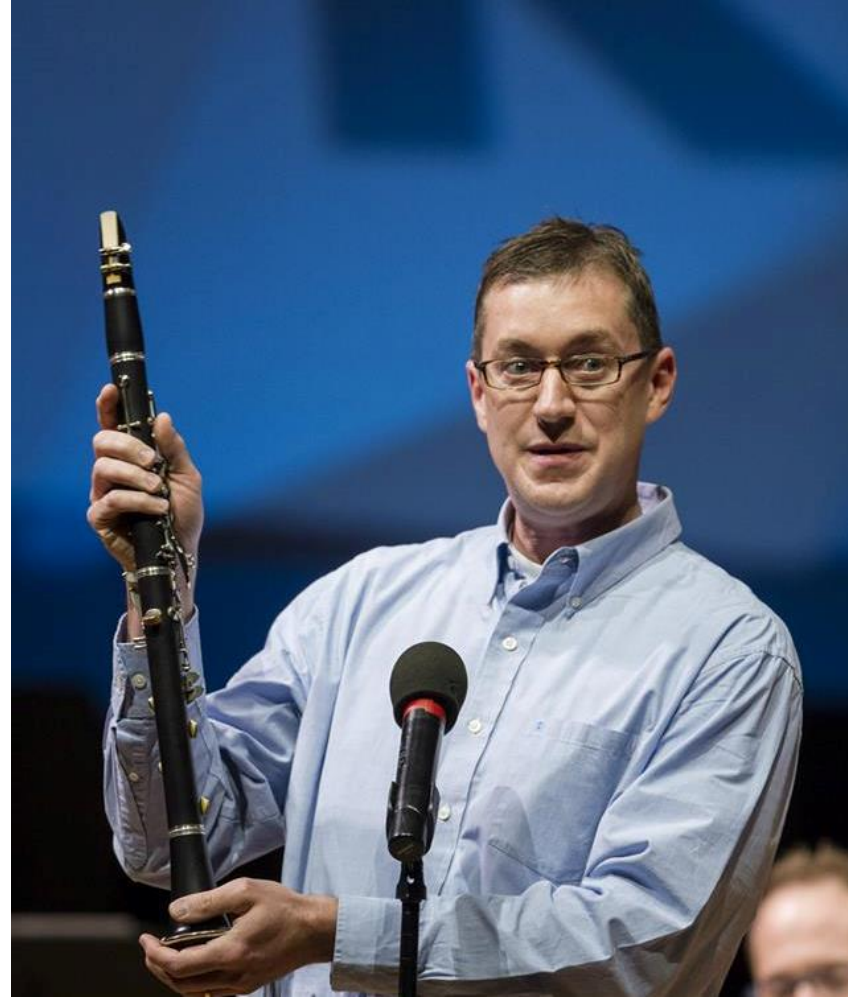
In the Sound Factory, Guides will help us play a violin, cello, and snare drum.



MAGIC CUBES!

To go to the stage, we will walk through the ring corridor with our Guide. We will notice the carpet on the walls. It helps to keep musical sounds in the hall and noisy sounds from outside out of the hall.

We'll walk through the doors into a big room with many chairs. Big blocks or cubes are stuck on the wall and the ceiling. The cubes help sound bounce around the room so everyone can hear the music. Here's a picture of the cubes.



MUSICIANS, A CONCERT, AND A MUSICAL STORY

After we walk up the steps and sit on the stage floor, we'll meet the musicians.

They will play their instruments and tell us how they work.

A storyteller will read a musical story, *Perfect Square*. We will listen, and when it's over, we will clap and say **bravo** because we are a great audience!

GLOSSARY

- AUDIENCE- The group of people who watch and listen to a performance
- BEAT- A steady pulse in music
- BOW- What performers do at the end of a performance, when the audience claps for them. It is also the name of the stick that string players use to play the violin, viola, and cello.
- BRAVO- An Italian word the audiences shout after hearing music they really like
- MUSICIANS- People who make music
- NARRATOR- A person who tells a story
- ORCHESTRA- A group of musicians who play together using instruments

INSTRUMENT PICTURES
THESE ARE THE INSTRUMENTS
FEATURED IN *PERFECT SQUARE*

FLUTE



CLARINET



BASSOON



FRENCH HORN



VIOLIN



VIOLA



CELLO



Here are the three string instruments standing next to each other. Which one is the smallest?

Which is the largest?



violin



viola



cello



MARIMBA

