

# Disney in Concert: The Muppet Christmas Carol Access guide



#### December 15-16, 2023 Meridian Hall

We are looking forward to having you join us for *Disney in Concert: The Muppet Christmas Carol* at Meridian Hall. This guide uses plain language to provide audiences, particularly neurodiverse audiences, with specific sensory details of programming in advance to help guide your experience.

Do you need more information, or would you like to schedule a visit to get more comfortable in the space?

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## **Meridian Hall**

The Meridian Hall auditorium is a large soft-seat theatre that can seat up to 3,172 people. The orchestra seats 2,133 people, the mezzanine seats 250 people, and the balcony seats 789 people. Seating is assigned in the auditorium, and your ticket will tell you your row and seat number. If you require assistance locating your seat, let a theatre attendant know and they will take you right to it.

There are 85 accessible seats on the orchestra level of the Meridian Hall auditorium, and eight accessible seats on the mezzanine level of the Meridian Hall auditorium.

A venue guide for Meridian Hall is available here.



This picture shows the Meridian Hall auditorium from the stage.

The seats in the Meridian Hall auditorium are between 19" and 22" wide, with most of our seats being 20" and 21" wide. If you need additional room, please contact our box office team either ahead of your visit or during your visit who would be happy to assist you.



This picture shows the Meridian Hall auditorium stage from the back of the orchestra.

### **Access measures**

### **Subtitled performance**

Subtitled performances are open to everyone but are specifically designed to provide access to performances for audience members who are d/Deaf and/or hard of hearing. At subtitled performances, the speech is converted into written text and displayed on the screen.

**All performances** of *Disney in Concert: The Muppet Christmas Carol* will be subtitled performances.

# The musicians

Disney in Concert: The Muppet Christmas Carol features one conductor and 48 musicians.



**Evan Mitchell** is the conductor for the show.

The TO Live Orchestra will consist of the following:

- 10 first violins
- Eight second violins
- Six violas
- Four cellos
- Two basses
- Two flutes
- One oboe
- One clarinet
- One bassoon
- Three horns
- One trumpet
- One tenor trombone
- One baritone
- One tuba
- One harp
- One piano/celeste
- One synthesizer
- Three percussions

# The characters

*The Muppet Christmas Carol* features 12 primary characters. Here are a few of the characters:



In the middle is **Ebenezer Scrooge**, played by Michael Caine.

On the left is **Miss Piggy**, who plays Emily Cratchit.

To her right is **Rizzo the Rat**, who is the co-narrator.

To his right is **Kermit the Frog**, who plays Bob Cratchit.

To his right is **Fozzie Bear**, who plays Fozziwig.

On the far right is **The Great Gonzo**, who plays narrator Charles Dickens.

### The show

*Disney in Concert: The Muppet Christmas Carol* will run approximately 1 hour and 46 minutes including one 15-minute intermission. The first act will run approximately 49 minutes and the second act will run approximately 42 minutes.

The TO Live Orchestra will present Disney's *The Muppet Christmas Carol in Concert* featuring a screening of the complete film with the musical score performed live to the film. The concert will be led by conductor Evan Mitchell.

The Muppets perform the classic Charles Dickens holiday tale, with Kermit the Frog playing Bob Cratchit, the put-upon clerk of stingy Ebenezer Scrooge (Michael Caine). Gonzo, as Dickens, narrates the story with the help of Rizzo the Rat. The film also features Miss Piggy as Emily Cratchit, Gonzo as the narrator Charles Dickens, Fozzie Bear as Fozziwig, and Robin the Frog as Tiny Tim. Scrooge receives visits from spirits of three Christmases— past, present, and future. They show him the error of his self-serving ways, but the miserable old man seems to be past any hope of redemption and happiness.

The original score was composed by Miles Goodman (*Dirty Rotten Scoundrels*, *Little Shop of Horrors*) with songs by Oscar-, Emmy-, and Grammy-winning songwriter Paul Williams ("Rainbow Connection," "Evergreen").

# **During the performance**

### The stage



The stage will be **filled with seated musicians**. A conductor will be **standing on a platform** at the front and centre of the stage. The film will be **projected onto a projection screen** at the back of the stage.

### **Advisories**

The Muppet Christmas Carol is rated G.

**Live music** will be played for the duration of the show by a 48-member symphony orchestra.

During the concert, please feel free to react to the show in whatever way feels comfortable for you.

At the end of the show, the musicians will take a bow. You can clap or cheer if you would like to show your appreciation for the concert and the orchestra.

### **Get in touch**

If you have any questions or concerns about the access guide or planning your visit to *Disney in Concert: The Muppet Christmas Carol* at Meridian Hall, please reach out.

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Thank you for coming to *Disney in Concert: The Muppet Christmas Carol*, presented by TO Live and Glatz Concerts.