

This visual resource is intended to help prepare visitors for a new experience and to help them become familiar with the surroundings and what to expect.

Watford Colosseum is on Rickmansworth Road, in Watford.

Here is a picture of Watford Colosseum. →



The main entrance to Watford Colosseum is directly opposite Rickmansworth Road.

Here is a picture of the main entrance. →

There are two other ways customers can enter the building.



The first part of the building you will enter is new. It was added to the older part of the building in 2011 as part of a £5.5 million refurbishment.

If you would like somewhere to sit before you go into the auditorium, there are some seats in this area.



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This part of the building can become quite busy as people may order drinks and café-food to have before the show, or interval drinks to have during the break.

Here is a picture of the café-bar. →



The Ticket Desk can also be found in this part of the building.

You may have to queue for your tickets, which you can pick up at the Ticket Desk.

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For audiences who prefer a two or three course meal, there is The Forum Restaurant.

Here is a picture of The Forum Restaurant.

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The menu is on display before you enter The Forum Restaurant, should you wish to see what food is available.



If you do not want to take your coat into the auditorium with you, you can leave it in the cloakroom.

Here is a picture of the cloakroom. →

A volunteer usher works at the cloakroom. They wear a purple necktie or purple scarf.

The cloakroom is in the Grand Lobby, which is part of the original building.



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The Grand Lobby used to be the main entrance, before the refurbishment.

If you would like somewhere to sit before you go into the auditorium, there are some seats in this area.

In this picture there are high stools and tables, plus sofas and arm chairs in the background. →



Next to the cloakroom is the Kiosk where you can buy soft drinks and snacks.

You can buy these products at any of our other bars too.

Here is a picture of the kiosk. →



If a show is very busy, the Grand Lobby Bar will also be open. The Grand Lobby bar sells alcoholic drinks.

Here is a picture of the Grand Lobby Bar. →



There are male and female toilets and an accessible toilet just off the Grand Lobby.

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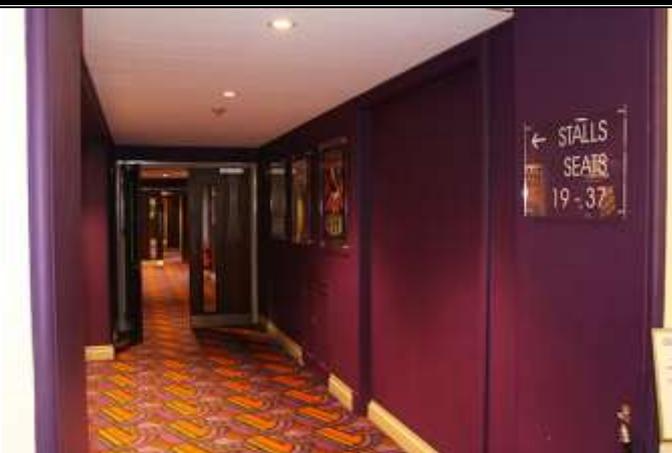
If you look at your ticket, you can see where you need to go.

Here is a picture of a ticket. →



If you are in the stalls you can enter through the corridor on either side of the Grand Lobby.

Here is a picture of the corridor which leads to seats 19-37. To the right as you face the Grand Lobby Kiosk →



If you are in the circle, you can go through the doors in either corner of the Grand Lobby and climb the staircases.

There is also a lift to the Circle, which is situated next to The Forum Restaurant.

Here is a picture of the lift. →



These are the seats in the auditorium where the audience sit during the show. →

You will show your ticket to an usher when you enter the auditorium.

You will find a letter at the end of each row and a number on the seat.

All seats face the stage so you can watch the show.



There will be lots of people sitting near you and it may be quite noisy.

Here is what the stage looks like from the stalls. The stage may be darker than in the photo when you first see it. →



Here is what the stage looks like from the circle. When you are in the Circle you are higher up than the stage and you will be looking down onto it. →



You may notice people dressed in black with a 'Watford Colosseum' logo embroidered on their top. These people are the Technicians, who look after the lights and sound and stage.



When it is time for the show to start, the hall will get darker.

Sometimes different parts of a show can be loud. If the sound bothers you, you can put your hands over your ears.

During performance, some people may clap. Clapping is nice as it lets the people on stage know you liked what they are doing. If you want to clap, you can. You don't have to clap if you don't want to.

In the middle of the show there is a break. This is called the interval. You can use the toilets at this time or buy a drink or snack from the kiosk. The interval is usually 20 minutes.

After the interval everyone will come back and sit down in their seats again.

At the end of the show, the lights will come back on. This will mean that the show is over and that you will leave the theatre. You might not leave the same way you came in to the theatre.