SOCIAL NARRATIVE
for the
Sensory-Friendly Performance of
Concert for Very Young People
February 1, 2020 at 10:30am
I am going to Symphony Hall to see the Concert for Very Young People on Saturday, February 1st, 2020 at 10:30am.
Symphony Hall is located at 301 Massachusetts Ave. Boston, MA 02115.

I can get to Symphony Hall with my family by driving, taking the T, or by riding the bus. If I have to cross the street, I will make sure to hold hands with a family member or friend.
When we get to Symphony Hall, we will walk in the Cohen Wing doors. These doors are located on the Huntington Ave side of Symphony Hall and will open for the pre-concert activities at 9:30am.
I may see security guards wearing uniforms standing near the doors. They are here to be sure everyone has a safe and fun experience at Symphony Hall.
A person called an usher will welcome us into the hall. They are here to help me find my seat or help me find my way around Symphony Hall. The ushers wear uniforms and nametags.
Once we are inside, there will be other children and families around. They are here to see the concert too!
Before the concert, I can use the bathroom or get a drink of water at a water fountain. The bathrooms are in the hallways outside the concert hall. I may have to wait my turn to use the bathroom.
Before the concert, there will be a pre-concert activity hour. During the hour, I can try out the violin or cello. If I don’t want to play the instruments, I can watch.
Also during the pre-concert activity hour, there will be tables set up with a coloring activity. If I want to, I can color and participate, or I can watch.
When I’m ready, I can find my seat inside the Higginson Room. Seating is unassigned, so I can choose where I want to sit with my family for the concert.
There will be a narrator and three musicians performing for this concert, they are called a trio. The instruments I will see are the flute, french horn, and bassoon.
The musicians will let us know when the concert is about to begin. Everyone in the room may become quiet and the story will be projected onto a screen. I will try to be as quiet as I can during the concert too.
If the music is too loud, it’s alright for me to cover my ears or ask an usher to borrow a pair of headphones. If I need a break at any point during the concert, I can go to the Quiet Room or use the restroom.
Between each song, some of the audience members may clap for them. If I want to clap, I can clap too.
While the musicians are playing, I may want to dance or sing along to the music. I can dance and sing along if I want to.
When the concert is over, people might clap for the musicians. This is their way of telling the musicians “good job” and “thank you”. I can clap too.
Now that the concert is over, I can say hello to the musicians if I want to.

After I meet the musicians, it will be time to leave.
I am so excited to see the Concert for Very Young People at Symphony Hall!