



Story: She Persisted

Fourth-grader Naomi's field trip to a Women's History Museum turns into a time travel adventure where she encounters inspirational women who have overcome barriers and made waves throughout U.S. history. From activists to athletes, artists and more, the musical features the stories of female trailblazers such as Harriet Tubman, Virginia Apgar, Ruby Bridges, Sally Ride, Florence Griffith Joyner, and Sonia Sotomayor.



THEATER ETIQUETTE

Audience members play a special and important role in the performance. The performers are very aware of the audience while they perform, and each performance calls for different audience responses. Lively bands, musicians and dancers may desire audience members to clap and move to the beat. Other performers require silent focus on the stage and will want an audience to applaud only when they have completed a portion of their performance. As you enjoy the show, think about being a part of the performance.

- What are the differences between attending a live performance and going to a movie or watching television?
- What are some different types of live performances? Name a few as a class.

- What kind of responses might an audience give in each circumstance?
- What are the different cues that a performer will give you so that you know how to respond? For example, might they bow or pause for applause?

Also, remember that a theater is designed to magnify sound and even the smallest whispers or paper rustling can be heard throughout the auditorium. You are part of a community of audience members and you all work together to create your theater experience.

Discussion Questions

1. What are some Museums you have visited?
2. Have you ever researched a person from the museum you visited?
3. What person in your life has influenced you?

Activity:

Write a report if you were a famous person, how would you be an influence on young people.

Match: Draw a line to make a match.

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| 1. Sally Ride | Helped Runaway slaves |
| 2. Naomi | First American Woman in space |
| 3. Florence Griffith Joyner | A Student |
| 4. Harriet Tubman | An Olympic Medalist |