Guthrak

By Under the Microscope

At DreamBIG Children's Festival 2023



Note for Teachers: A general 'Coming to DreamBIG' social story can be found at: [LINK], which includes information about entering the theatre space and general theatre etiquette.

I am going to see a show at the DreamBIG Children's Festival. The show is called Guthrak. It is an interactive theatre show, that is based on the game of Dungeons and Dragons. I can ask my teacher to look that up if I don't know what it is.



Guthrak is not a regular theatre show in a theatre. The show is taking place in the John Bishop Room at the Adelaide Festival Centre.



This is the John Bishop room. When I visit, the room will have a special set up for the show.

When I see the show I will be seated around a big table with my classmates. The table will be decorated like a magic village with small objects like this.





In the show there is only one actor that I will see in the room – Ren Williams.

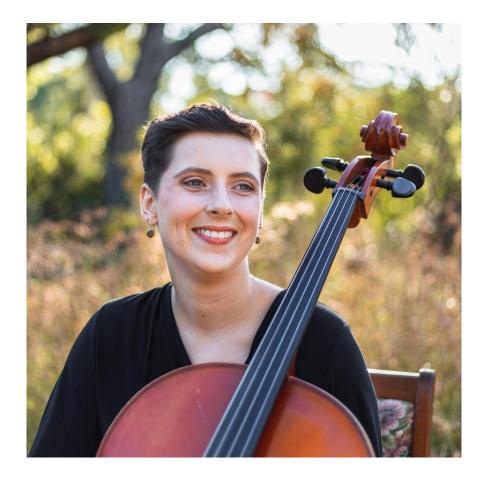


This is what Ren looks like out of costume.

Ren is playing the character of Guthrak. She will change the way her voice sounds which might be scary. Sometimes she will be loud when she is angry or upset. When she is angry she might look like this.



There are other characters in the show, called the Gods. I will only be able to hear those characters because they will be recorded voices. They will sometimes be loud and sudden.



There will also be a musician in the room. Her name is Rachel.

This is Rachel.

She will play the cello and some percussion instruments. Sometimes she will create sounds that can be scary like a dragon or bear.

If anything is too loud, I can cover my ears or ask for some ear plugs to put in.

There will be lighting built into the table, and lights above and below the table. Sounds will come from around the room, including from the musician! During the show the actor will ask the audiences to help with the story. I might be asked to roll a dice or read something out loud. If I don't want to help, I can say no and the actor can ask someone else.



If at any point I want to leave the show, I can ask a staff member or my teacher to lead me out of the room. If I just want to sit at the edge of the room, I can ask to take a seat against the wall. When the show is finished, the actor and the musician will finish telling the story and bow for the audience. This is a sign for me to clap to say thank you to the actors.

