

The Lion King **Autism Friendly Performance**

Thursday 11 February 2016, Crown Theatre, Perth



The Autism Association of Western Australia in association with Disney is proud to bring you a very special Autism friendly performance of The Lion King.

This specially adapted performance will be suitable for people with Autism, and their families, to enjoy this award-winning production in a friendly and supportive environment.

Slight adjustments to the production include removal of strobe lighting, reduction of any jarring sounds and lights focused into the audience, house lights being dimmed and flexibility to bring your own snacks.

Trained Autism Association staff will be on hand, and dedicated quiet areas and activity areas will be set up, should anyone need to leave their seats.

Commenting on this special event, the Autism Association of Western Australia CEO, Joan McKenna Kerr said *"this will be a wonderful occasion for people with Autism to enjoy this world renowned production, in a way that supports their special needs"*

The Lion King is the first major musical to hold an Autism friendly performance in Australia, having already held successful performances in Brisbane and Sydney with a performance scheduled in Melbourne.

Tickets available via a dedicated event website www.lionkingautismfriendly.com.au

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ABOUT THE AUTISM ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (Inc)

The Autism Association of Western Australia is the largest specialist lifespan organisation providing services to people with an Autism Spectrum Disorder in Australia. Services are best practice and based on leading international peer-reviewed research in the field of Autism. The Autism Association has well established links both nationally and internationally.

Services include:

- Autism Advisors and family support for newly diagnosed children.
- Multi-disciplinary Early Intervention Services
- School Support Service and Therapy Services for school age children
- Therapy and Clinical services for adults with ASD
- Community Living Support: Shared and Individual Homes
- Short Breaks for Children (Respite Service)
- Individual Support Programs tailored to individual-need, including Post School Options
- Employment Placement and Support Program
- Professional Development and Training Services
- State-wide Consultancy Service.
- Family Support

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