

‘Murder at the Museum’ Frequently Asked Questions

Is the show appropriate for kids? Will they enjoy themselves? I have young children under 10 and teenagers.

Yes, all of our shows are family-friendly. We do not use or promote profane language or sexual content. And yes, they will absolutely have fun! In fact, we find that the young are the best detectives and have the most fun interrogating the suspects and searching for clues. Their minds are like sponges, they detect lies and their creative brains concoct the most complex, entertaining – and often correct – theories.

Will my young children be scared?

You know your children better than we do, however we feel safe in saying that no, they will not be frightened. In our experience of over 25 years, there have been no such cases aside from a few occasions when a young guest was startled by the sound of a gunshot. Our shows are interactive, fun and suspenseful “who-dun-its” versus horror shows. Someone will “die” but we refrain from using violence and gratuitous blood and gore.

How interactive is it? My husband is shy and would be embarrassed to be “part of the show.”

You can be as interactive as you would like and still enjoy the show. Although from the moment you enter the Griswold House the actors will be in character and speaking to you as though you were also in character, you will not be expected to participate in any scenes nor required to chat with the actors in great length.

Some guests, such as your husband, are more of an outside observer and prefer to listen to the investigation and appreciate the beautiful artwork and architecture. Many other guests prefer the opposite, and instead hound the suspects with questions and work with other guests to solve the crime. Regardless of your approach, there is something for you to enjoy.

Is there a dress code? What should I wear?

No, there is not a dress code, but we do ask that you wear clothing. Some guests attend as an evening out and dress to the nines but the majority is casual. We suggest wearing shoes in which you are comfortable walking around the Museum, as you will roam throughout the Griswold House for approximately 30 minutes. Please note that there is an elevator that leads to both the upstairs galleries and restrooms in the basement, and that chairs and benches are scattered throughout the galleries.

Do you serve food?

No food or drink is served before, during or after the show. It is a fast-paced 90-minute performance. There are many great restaurants within leisurely walking distance should you like to have drinks and appetizers or dinner before or after the show.

Does the Museum have free parking?

Yes, there are two parking lots for guests to use. The main lot is on Old Beach Road off Bellevue Avenue at the front entrance of the Griswold House. The second lot is behind the Griswold House and Cushing Galleries and can be accessed by turning onto Downing Street off Bellevue Avenue. There is also some street parking available and a bus stop at Bellevue and Old Beach Road.