# **Romeo & Juliet Under the Stars**

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## WHAT MAKES IT MEANINGFUL

An enchanting outdoor theatre experience that blends classic storytelling with nature. Watching Romeo & Juliet under the canopy of trees fosters emotional engagement, cultural enrichment, and the joy of live performance in a community setting.

## Тіме

- 2.5–3 hours total:
  - Arrive 30-45 minutes early to settle in
  - Show duration: ~2 hours, including intermission

## MATERIALS

- Tickets (digital or printed)
- Picnic blanket or low lawn chair
- Snacks/water or packed picnic
- Clothing layers and bug spray
- Sensory aids: noise-canceling headphones, sunglasses
- Accessibility supports: cushion, wheelchair, support person



• Phone flashlight for finding your seat post-sunset

#### INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Pre-arrival
  - a. Review show time and map
  - b. Preview with a visual/social story ("We'll sit, watch, clap")
- 2. Arrival (30–45 min early)
  - a. Enter via main or accessible path
  - b. Find a comfortable spot, set up blanket/chair
- 3. Pre-show
  - a. Relax with picnic, use washroom
  - b. Provide sensory supports as evening chill begins
- 4. During Show
  - a. Enjoy performances: acrobatic staging, period costumes in 1930-40s setting
  - b. Optional backstage tour before Tuesday performances (reserve in advance)
- 5. Intermission

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a. Stand, stretch, snack, and, if needed, use a quiet corner

#### 6. Post-show

- a. Celebrate favorite moments
- b. Exit calmly, head home

### RESOURCES

- https://www.canadianstage.com/shows-events/season/romeo-juliet
- <u>https://nowtoronto.com/culture/canadian-stage-brings-shakespeares-timeless-love-story-rom</u> <u>eo-juliet-to-torontos-high-park-this-summer/</u>

### SUPPORTS NEEDED

- Visual schedule: show start, intermission, end times
- Sensory tools: headphones, sunglasses, seat near edge
- Social story: quiet audience, polite applause, staying seated
- Verbal prompts: "Lights dimming now," "Clap if you liked that"
- Physical supports: help sitting/standing, grab blanket/chair

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- Break plan: walk or sit quietly if overwhelmed
- Emotional encouragement: "You're doing great staying here!"
- Accessible tickets: box office communication; support person free entry

#### **O**THER THINGS TO NOTE

- When: July 13–August 31, 2025
  - Tues–Sat at 8 p.m., Sundays at 7 p.m.
- Where: High Park Amphitheatre (1873 Bloor St W)
- General Admission (lawn & blankets/chairs): \$29–\$32.50; kids/youth discounts; rush/pay-what-you-wish available on show day (\$20 minimum suggested)
- Accessible Seating: Limited; contact box office in advance
- Bring: Blankets, low-profile chairs (max 2" height), picnic items; concessions also on site

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