

# The Scarlet Letter



*The Scarlet Letter*  
Pre-visit for Sensory Friendly  
Performance

Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm

**This is a Prime Stage Production held at  
the New Hazlett Theater located at 6  
Allegheny Square East Pittsburgh, PA.**



**“The Scarlet Letter” Cast, Prime Stage Theatre 2019**

## *The Scarlet Letter* – A Quick Summary

- The Scarlet Letter opens with an explanation about how the book came to be written. The narrator, who is the author, Nathaniel Hawthorne worked at a customhouse in Salem, Massachusetts. Here, he finds a manuscript that was bundled with a scarlet, gold-embroidered patch of cloth in the shape of an “A.” He decided to write a fictional account of the events recorded in the manuscript. The Scarlet Letter is the story. A young Puritan woman is marked with a letter “A” for an adulterous affair leading to the birth of a daughter, Pearl. Her older husband vows to discover the identity of her lover and seek revenge. Her lover, the preacher, suffers from his secret anguish and eventually dies from heartache.



Set Design Model for Prime Stage's "The Scarlet Letter" November 2018

## Model of the set for *The Scarlet Letter*

The scenic designer is responsible for the visual appearance and function of the scenic elements used in the production.

### From the Scenic Designer

As the set designer, I was inspired by the director's vision that he developed while writing this version of the story. He asked that the set be evocative of a 17th century New England house - that will become a blank canvas for creating the play from found objects within it. I took that idea and stripped my image research down to its essential shapes." It will be filled with crates, chairs, barrels, and a rose bush. Look to see how they are used.- MK Hughes, Scenic Designer

## Costume Designer

The costume designer is responsible for the visual appearance of the actors, including what is seen (clothes, shoes, wigs, makeup, etc.) as well as what isn't.

**Kim Brown , Costume Designer Prime Stage production of "*The Scarlet Letter*," November, 2019**



Costume pieces worn in Prime Stage's "*The Scarlet Letter*," November 2019



## **Sound Designer**

The sound designer is responsible for everything related to sound for a theater production. The designer creates how the pre-recorded music, sound effects, and any reinforcement of live voices, musical instruments and sound elements help to tell the story.

### **From the Sound Designer**

"My goal is to recreate the world around us through sound. I wanted the world the characters live in to be as realistic to you in the audience as possible, as if you're watching real events." -Max Imants Pelna, Sound Designer Prime Stage production of "The Scarlet Letter," November, 2019



Now it is time to go see *The Scarlet Letter* at New Hazlett Theater!

I am going with \_\_\_\_\_ to see *The Scarlet Letter* production!



*The Scarlet Letter* is a Prime Stage production at at the New Hazlett Theater in Pittsburgh, PA.



We may travel to the New Hazlett Theater by car or bus.



At this event, there will be many volunteers that have Prime Stage Theater t-shirts to help me get around the theater and find my seat.

Before we go to our seats, I may go to the bathroom which is in the lobby, or go to the water fountain if I want to.





We can sit in the theatre seats where we want on the first in the front or on the sides. I will choose a seat where I am comfortable.

When the show starts the theater will get a darker and everyone will get quiet.

I will listen to and watch the actors play their characters.

If the show is too loud I can let my family or companion know that I need a break and go to a quiet area. I will return when I am ready.



# *Intermission*

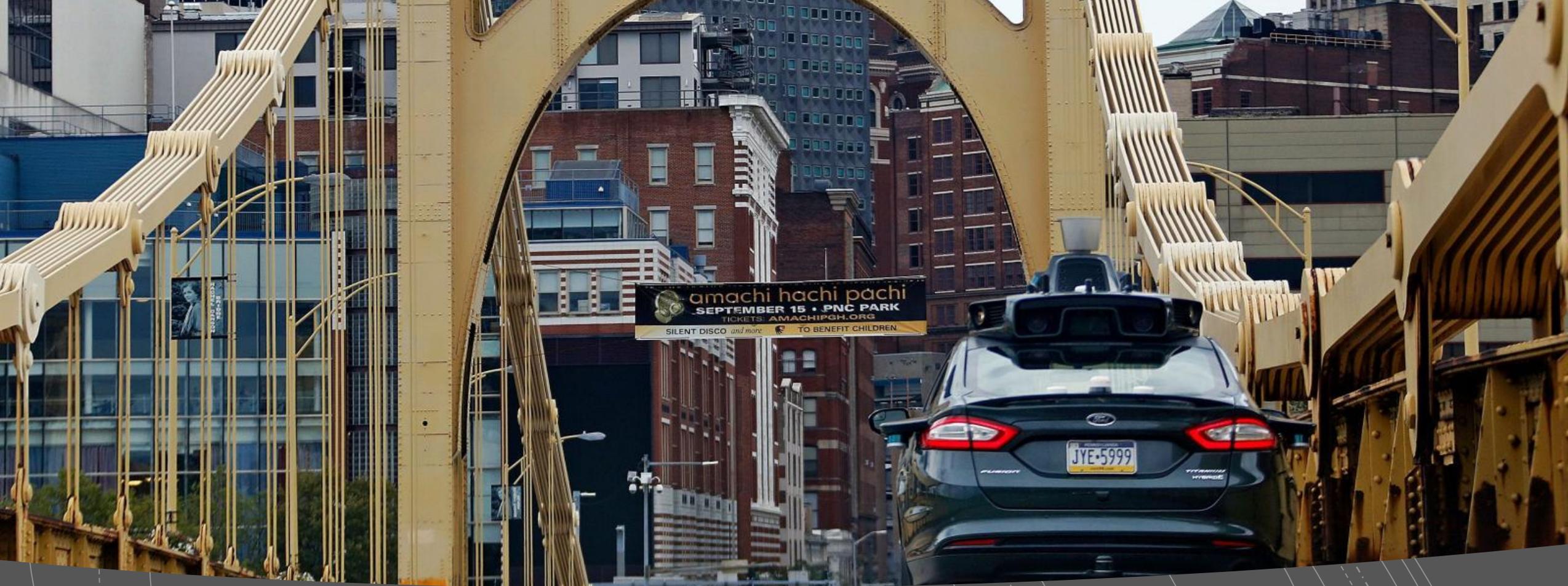
In the middle of the show, we will have a break called Intermission.

During the break I may go to the lobby to do an activity or use the bathroom.

I can also ask to visit the quiet area or the sensory room.



- After Intermission, everyone will come back to their seats.
- The house lights will dim again as the audience gets quiet and ready to see the actors again.
- The actors will come back on stage to finish their performance of *The Scarlet Letter*.



- When the show is over, we will clap for the actors. I can meet the actors after the show. Then we leave New Hazlett Theater and head home. My family and I discuss the play and look forward to seeing the next show!

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- I am so excited to see *The Scarlet Letter* on November 9<sup>th</sup>