



FIFTH THIRD BANK

DRACULA

ACTORS
THEATRE

SYNOPSIS

Professor Van Helsing, a notable expert in the occult, arrives at the estate of an old friend, Dr. Seward, amid whispers of gruesome attacks and strange goings-on. Seward's fiancée, Mina, has recently died of a sudden and mysterious illness, and Mina's friend, Lucy, has begun to display the same symptoms. Could it be that Mina, and now Lucy, have suffered at the hands of a vampire? How will Van Helsing and Seward fight this supernatural fiend?

AUDIENCE ADVISORY

PLEASE NOTE: This show includes effects such as fog, traps moving in the floor causing sudden changes to the stage, noise and strobe light mimicking thunder and lightning, the use of fire, simulated explosions, gunshots, use of fake blood, wolves howling and the use of flashlights in the dark. Violence includes fighting and physical combat that may be accompanied by bloodshed. Content includes suicidal intent and murder. Characters frequently move throughout the theatre and interact with the audience in ways that can be scary or surprising. When characters are possessed, their voices will become distorted and their movements will become strange to mimic them being unable to control their bodies. During the show, characters are in emotional states during which they may scream or make a lot of noise, including slamming doors and slamming items on surfaces.

SENSORY & EMOTIONALLY INTENSE MOMENTS

ACT I – 68 MINUTES

OPENING MONTAGE	0-3	Fog on stage with blackout and possible audience screams. Monster attacks and bites. Screams are heard. Floor traps move to allow furniture to rise.
SCENE I	5	Renfield enters and screams.
	11-16	Renfield, Mr. Briggs and Dr. Seward fight in the study. Renfield sings and screams. Wolves howl. Renfield is dragged out of the room.
	23	The lights change and fog rolls in. Mina has a memory, causing a Monster and Count Dracula to appear and then vanish.
DRACULA'S FIRST SCENE	25	Count Dracula knocks loudly on the door and then enters.
	33	Dr. Seward slams door closed in section 8.
	38-39	Count Dracula, Monster and Lucy fight. Lucy screams and doors slam shut. Jonathan Harker enters suddenly and fires several gunshots.
	40	Blackout.
DRACULA AND MARGARET SULLIVAN	41	Mr. Briggs pulls rat out of box. Mr. Briggs chases Renfield and slams Renfield's head under a table loudly.
	46	Mr. Briggs takes rat out of box again, and Ms. Sullivan screams.
	47-56	Dracula enters and scares Ms. Sullivan.
		Dracula hypnotizes Ms. Sullivan. Ms. Sullivan opens the portfolio and the lights and sounds change. Dracula overpowers Ms. Sullivan. Ms. Sullivan yells and growls at Professor Anna Van Helsing.
JONATHAN HARKER'S FLASHBACK	57-59	Jonathan Harker's flashback: John Harker rolls onto floor and furniture descends through a trap in the floor. The Undead attack Jonathan Harker. Count Dracula appears from between sections 2 & 3 in the aisle. Count Dracula stabs a baby in a bag. Jonathan Harker rolls back onto furniture and the traps move to bring the study back on stage.
END OF ACT I	1:01 -1:04	Jonathan Harker and Lucy kiss but are interrupted by Ms. Sullivan. Ms. Sullivan uses magic to hypnotize Lucy and slams the door. Several Undead appear, followed by Count Dracula from the section 6 door
	1:05	Count Dracula cuts hand with a knife and collects blood in a goblet. Count Dracula forces Lucy to drink the blood in the goblet. Count Dracula bites Lucy and dances with her under his spell.
	1:06	Blackout.

THERE WILL BE ONE 15 MINUTE INTERMISSION

ACT II – 50 MINUTES

OPENING SCENE	0	Mina walks along the wall. Mina and two Undead children attack a man.
STUDY	1	Jonathan Harker yells and Renfield enters singing.
	5	Renfield yells (throughout Act 2, he is more agitated and covered in more blood). Renfield surprises an audience member in Section 1.
	7 – 10	Loud thunder and lights dim. Renfield screams and runs off with Jonathan Harker and Dr. Seward. Door slams. Count Dracula appears. Count Dracula jumps over a desk. Count Dracula and Professor Anna Van Helsing fight and yell at each other.
	10	1 lamp in each corner of stage explodes (total of 4 lamps), one after another. Blackout. Fireballs appear on corners of stage.
	11	Monster attacks Professor Anna Van Helsing and Jonathan Harker. Jonathan Harker fires gun several times in different directions.
CRYPT	13	Coffin moves onstage and is opened, revealing Mina inside the coffin.
	15	Mina is staked in coffin. There is a lot of blood.
	16	Undead Girl appears from under the coffin and then attacks Professor Anna Van Helsing.
LAB	17	Dr. Seward runs onstage with gun and is threatening suicide.
	19	Professor Anna Van Helsing draws blood from Dr. Seward's arm.
	20-23	Renfield enters in wheelchair and spits up blood. Renfield screams at the audience in section 5. Renfield drinks beaker of blood then stands and yells on the lab table.
	25-30	Lucy enters from between sections 8 & 1 laughing and screaming. Lucy fights with Renfield and Renfield is carried out. Lucy stands and sings on the lab table. Lucy yells at and slaps Jonathan Harker.
	33	Mr. Briggs slams Renfield on the table.
	34	Count Dracula appears and slams Mr. Briggs on table, then slams Renfield on table.
	35	Dr. Seward enters and fights Count Dracula. Count Dracula holds Dr. Seward at knifepoint. Dr. Seward slashes his own throat.
	36-37	Jonathan Harker attacks Count Dracula with cross and the cross bursts into flames. Count Dracula stands and yells on the lab table.
	39	Count Dracula, Jonathan Harker, Professor Anna Van Helsing, Renfield and Mr. Briggs fight. The lab light explodes and Count Dracula disappears within his cape.
	41	Renfield pops up and scares Mr. Briggs. Renfield screams. Blackout.
	42-43	Mr. Briggs runs in yelling "Renfield!" Ms. Sullivan re-animates. Mr. Briggs fires 1 shot, then another. Jonathan Harker fires several gunshots in different directions. Monster drops from sky in section 4 and attacks Mr. Briggs.
FINALE	44	Lucy, Jonathan Harker and Professor Anna Van Helsing enter from Mezzanine. Renfield pops up in dark near section 7 and scares audience, then climbs up near audience.
	45-48	There is a large fight with people yelling and bodies coming back to life. Professor Anna Van Helsing, Lucy, Jonathan Harker and Renfield fight Count Dracula. Count Dracula gets staked.
	48	Count Dracula's coffin explodes with loud sounds and bright lights.
	49	Blackout. End of Show.

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