



Wicked Fans Frustrated by Theater's Unreasonable Screening Policy

Description

Some ardent enthusiasts of *Wicked* who attended screenings of the film at AMC theaters adorned their faces in vibrant green paint, mirroring the iconic character Elphaba, portrayed by Cynthia Erivo. However, it appears that these fans have faced unexpected restrictions upon arrival, being instructed to remove their face paint before gaining entry to the venue.

In the wake of Jon M. Chu's cinematic adaptation debuting in theaters last weekend, numerous social media users have posted videos showcasing themselves in full green face paint as a homage to the Broadway classic. Nevertheless, a significant number of attendees have reportedly been denied access and required to wash off their makeup in the restroom prior to being allowed into the screenings.

"This is the dumbest rule I've ever heard," declared TikToker Celine Serrano in a recent video, expressing her frustration with AMC's policy. She lamented, "Apparently AMC won't let you put face paint on," sharing her experience of being redirected to wash off her makeup.

Another TikToker, whose companion faced a similar fate for sporting face paint, captured a poignant moment of their friend removing makeup in the restroom. "PSA: Do not show up to an AMC wearing face paint; they will not let you in," they cautioned, conveying their experience at the Burbank AMC in Los Angeles.

According to AMC's established guidelines, which can be found on their website, face paint, helmets, masks (with the exception of standard face masks for health reasons), and any items obscuring the face are expressly prohibited due to safety concerns. This policy echoes the regulations upheld by other major cinema chains, including Regal and Cinemark.

Contrarily, certain theaters have welcomed patrons arriving in costume. "Can't relate to being kicked out of the theater; mine let me in with all of this," exclaimed another TikToker, celebrating the appreciative reception they received.

Earlier this week, AMC reiterated that singing along to *Wicked* during screenings is also not permitted, emphasizing their commitment to maintaining a tranquil viewing environment.

Vocabulary List:

1. **Ardent** /'ɑ:r.dənt/ (adjective): Having or expressing deep passion or enthusiasm.
 2. **Portrayed** /pɔ:r'treɪd/ (verb): Represented or depicted in a particular way often in art or performance.
 3. **Restrictions** /rɪ'strɪk.fənz/ (noun): Rules or regulations that limit or control what can be done.
 4. **Prohibited** /prə'hɪb.ɪ.tɪd/ (adjective): Forbiddingly or barred by law or rule.
 5. **Concerns** /kən'sɜ:nz/ (noun): Matters of interest or importance related to a particular topic.
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6. **Tranquil** /'træŋ.kwɪl/ (adjective): Calm peaceful and free from disturbance.

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. Which character from *Wicked* were fans mirroring with green face paint at AMC theaters?
Option: Glinda
Option: Cynthia Erivo
Option: Elphaba
Option: Jon M. Chu
2. Why were fans instructed to remove their face paint before entering AMC theaters?
Option: To show appreciation for the Broadway classic
Option: To adhere to AMC's safety guidelines
Option: To support Jon M. Chu
Option: To honor Cynthia Erivo
3. Which major cinema chains also uphold similar regulations to AMC regarding face paint and masks?
Option: AMC and IMAX
Option: Regal and Cinemark
Option: Cineplex and Showcase
Option: AMC and Cineworld
4. What activity during screenings of *Wicked* did AMC recently emphasize as not permitted?
Option: Eating during the movie
Option: Singing along
Option: Texting on phones
Option: Standing during the film
5. What was the response of AMC to fans wearing face paint for *Wicked* screenings?
Option: Kicked out immediately
Option: Allowed entry without issue
Option: Required to wash off makeup
Option: Provided complimentary face paint
6. Which TikToker expressed frustration with AMC's policy on face paint for *Wicked*



screenings?

- Option: Celine Dion
- Option: Cynthia Erivo
- Option: Celine Serrano
- Option: Beyoncé

True-False

7. AMC allows patrons to wear face paint for *Wicked* screenings.
8. Other theaters have adopted similar policies to AMC regarding face paint and masks.
9. AMC encourages singing along during *Wicked* screenings.
10. Fans wearing face paint were always denied entry at AMC theaters.
11. Regal and Cinemark have different policies than AMC regarding face paint and masks.
12. AMC's guidelines allow for the wearing of masks for health reasons during screenings.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Elphaba 2. To adhere to AMC's safety guidelines 3. Regal and Cinemark 4. Singing along 5. Required to wash off makeup 6. Celine Serrano

True-False: 7. False 8. True 9. False 10. False 11. False 12. True

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. What is the term for designing and arranging dance movements?
 - Option: Succumbed
 - Option: Preeminent
 - Option: Choreography
 - Option: Meticulous
2. Which word means forbidden or not allowed?
 - Option: Colluded



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- Option: Prohibited
Option: Instigated
Option: Philanthropic
3. Which word describes something causing a marked change or alteration?
Option: Recuperating
Option: Criticism
Option: Transformative
Option: Ardent
4. Which term refers to feelings of worry or unease about something?
Option: Intriguing
Option: Choreography
Option: Acclaimed
Option: Concerns
5. What is the term for handling or controlling something in a skillful manner often unfairly or dishonestly?
Option: Emotional
Option: Orchestrating
Option: Manipulate
Option: Anticipated
6. Which word means peaceful or calm?
Option: Dubious
Option: Constraints
Option: Tranquil
Option: Viability
7. What term describes gradual development or change over time?
Option: Evolving
Option: Complicated
Option: Succumbed
Option: Alleging
8. Which word refers to recovering health strength or balance after illness or hardship?
Option: Arduous
Option: Portrayed
Option: Recuperating
Option: Substantial
9. What word means of considerable importance size or worth?
Option: Transported
Option: Prohibited



- Option: Substantial
- Option: Alleging

10. Which term refers to the ability to work or be successful?

- Option: Ardent
- Option: Prohibited
- Option: Viability
- Option: Transformative

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

- 11. The team _____ the opponent's strategy and prepared for a strong defense.
- 12. The elderly couple enjoyed each other's _____ during their daily walks in the park.
- 13. His _____ about the project's timeline led him to request additional resources.
- 14. Despite facing harsh _____ the artist continued to push the boundaries of creativity.
- 15. The movie's ending left the audience feeling deeply _____.
- 16. Some politicians try to _____ public opinion through misleading statements.
- 17. The billionaire's _____ efforts have positively impacted many communities.
- 18. After the surgery she spent weeks _____ at home before returning to work.
- 19. Despite the medical team's efforts the patient eventually _____ to the illness.
- 20. The new technology had a _____ impact on how businesses operated.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. She was known for her attention to detail when designing costumes for the play.
22. Completing the marathon was an task that required months of training.
23. The journalist was accused of falsely corruption within the government.
24. The company's sudden success raised among industry analysts.



25. The rumors were deliberately spread to unrest among the employees.
26. The social media campaign was successful due to the efforts of the marketing team.
27. The legal case became more as new evidence emerged.
28. He was an supporter of environmental conservation and spent weekends volunteering at wildlife reserves.
29. The artist's latest painting was widely for its unique style and emotional depth.
30. The actor skillfully the inner turmoil of the character through subtle gestures and expressions.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Choreography 2. Prohibited 3. Transformative 4. Concerns 5. Manipulate 6. Tranquil 7. Evolving 8. Recuperating 9. Substantial 10. Viability

Gap-Fill: 11. Anticipated 12. Companionship 13. Concerns 14. Criticism 15. Emotional 16. Manipulate 17. Philanthropic 18. Recuperating 19. Succumbed 20. Transformative

Matching sentence: 1. Meticulous 2. Arduous 3. Alleging 4. Dubious 5. Instigated 6. Orchestrating 7. Complicated 8. Ardent 9. Acclaimed 10. Portrayed

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