

# Florida Governor's office investigating Christmas drag show for allegedly exposing children to 'sexualized acts'

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The office of Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis announced on Tuesday that an investigation has been opened into a Christmas drag show event that allegedly exposed children to “sexualized acts.”

As reported by The Floridian, the drag show was held at the Broward Center of the Performing Arts in Fort Lauderdale and was part of a national tour for “A Drag Queen Christmas.” The event drew controversy after it was reported that children were in attendance.

DeSantis’ press secretary Bryan Griffin said in a statement: “The Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPR) is aware of multiple complaints about a sexually explicit performance marketed to children held in Fort Lauderdale on December 26th. The Department is actively investigating this matter, including video footage and photographs from the event. DPBR will, like in other cases, take action.”

“Exposing children to sexually explicit activity is a crime in Florida, and such action violates the Department’s licensing standards for operating a business and holding a liquor license,” Griffin said.

He added, “The Department frequently conducts investigations into these matters upon tips provided by the public, and we thank the public for continuing to bring attention to these incidents. Investigations of such allegations will remain a priority for the Department and, indeed, are ongoing.”