

# Social Story

# Visiting City Gallery Wellington

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# Introduction

We are visiting City Gallery Wellington to see the artworks on display.

We might see paintings, sculptures, photographs, or films on screens.

The exhibitions change every season so we can see new things.



# Entrance

When we arrive:

We'll see sliding glass doors to walk through.

We'll see posters on the front of the building.

The posters change every season. They'll look different to the ones in this picture.

We'll see a sculpture of a hand on top of the roof.

The sculpture is firmly attached.

The sculpture will not fall down.



# The Front Desk

When we enter we'll see the front desk.

This is where we can pick up a map of the Gallery.

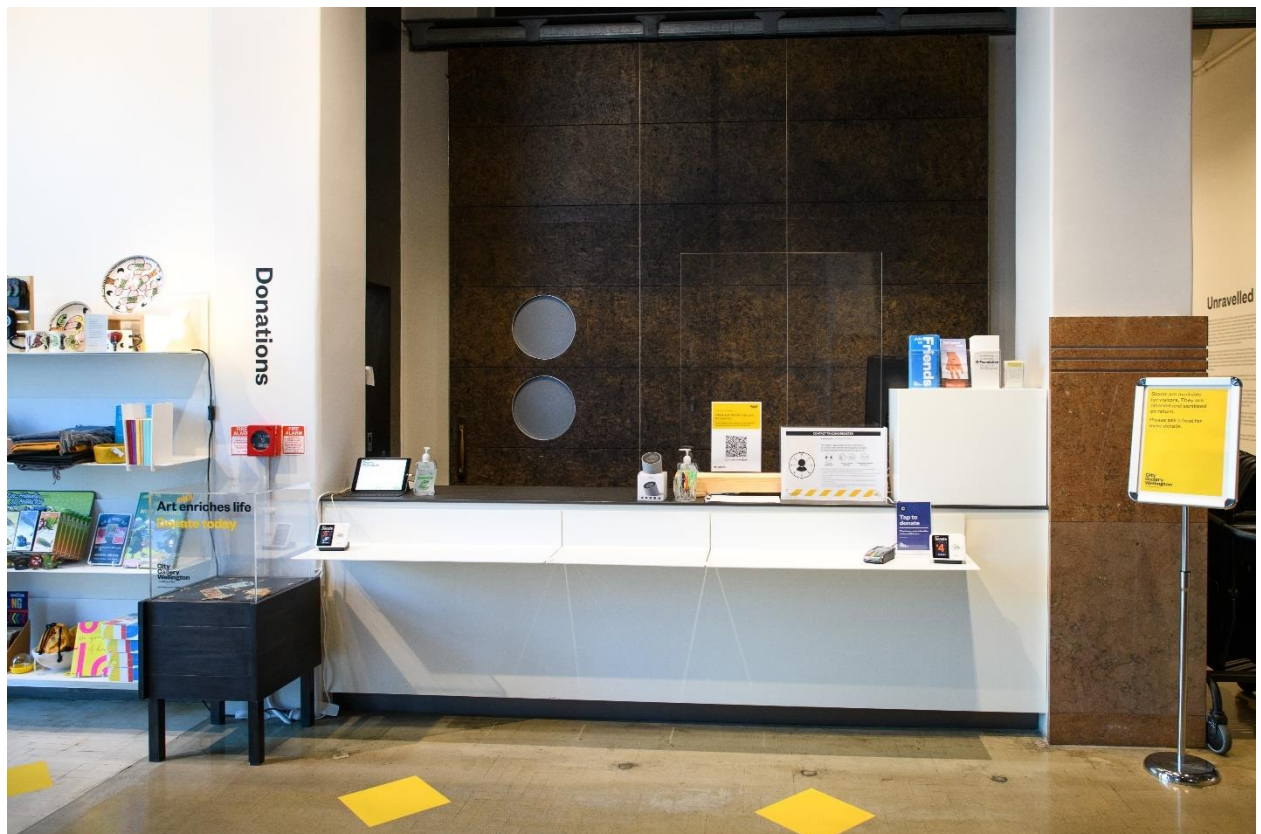
This is where we can store our coats and bags.

If we have food or drinks we'll leave those here.

We keep food and drinks away from the exhibitions because they could damage the artworks.

To store our belongings we'll be given a numbered tag to carry. We return the tag to collect our things when we're ready to leave.

Our belongings will be safe at the front desk.



## Helpful People

We'll see a Gallery host at the front desk.

We might see hosts in the exhibitions wearing black City Gallery shirts.

If we have questions about the Gallery they can help us find an answer.

We can ask where quiet or noisy spaces are.

We might see different hosts each time we visit.



# Getting Around

We can find a map of the Gallery at the front desk or download one from the website [citygallery.org.nz/visit/accessibility/](http://citygallery.org.nz/visit/accessibility/).

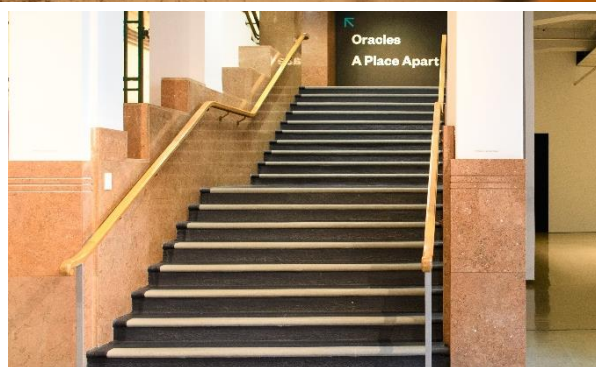
There are two levels to visit.

We can find Nikau Café and the Gallery Shop on the ground floor.

We can find toilets on both levels.

We can go up or down using the stairs or the glass lift.

The glass lift is very strong and safe.



## In the Exhibitions

We'll see artworks displayed in the exhibitions.

Some rooms may have bright or dim lights.

Some rooms may have artworks that are noisy.

It's ok to say if we don't like something and want to go into a different room.

In the exhibitions let's keep ourselves and the artworks safe:

- We look at the artworks but touching can damage them.
- We walk around carefully so we don't fall or bump something.
- We use quiet voices so everyone can enjoy the art.
- We eat and drink outside or in the café. Food and drink can damage the artworks.

## Activities

We might feel like trying an activity.

We can find LOOK! cards at the front desk or at the Art Cart.

There are pencils and clipboards to use in the galleries.

We can ask a host to help us find them.





## More information

The staff at the front desk can provide the following things if it would make our visit easier:

- Earplugs for noisy spaces
- Large print exhibition labels
- Wheelchairs