

Visiting the Aspen Art Museum



Let's go to the Aspen Art Museum! While we are there, we will look at art and have fun. We will be at the museum for about one hour.

Cars with a Handicapped Parking placard can park in the Reserved Handicapped Parking located on Spring Street. Within the City of Aspen, handicapped parking is allowed in any legal parking space and is not subject to time limit or payment.

We enter the museum through the front door on Hyman Avenue.



When we enter the museum, we meet a Guide who works at the museum. They enjoy being helpful, and are here to answer our questions and make sure we stay safe, and that the artwork stays safe.

The Guide gives us a sticker to wear on our shirt and shows us where to go. They offer us a museum map and seasonal information if we want to learn more. The artwork in the museum is always changing because the museum does not keep a collection. They can also show us where the bathrooms are.



If we have a coat, backpack, stroller, food or drink, or other large items, these should be left safely in the Coatroom. The museum rules do not allow us to bring these items into the gallery. It is okay, and we will be able to come back to get anything if we need it.



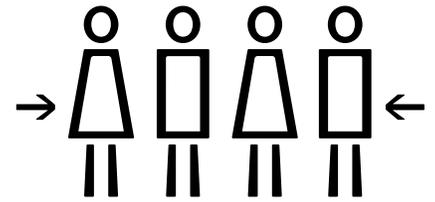
If we are going on a guided tour or program, we will meet an AAM Educator who will spend time with us and help us to learn about contemporary art in the galleries. Educators are happy to be with us and want us to have fun.



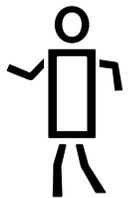
We use the glass elevator or the stairs to move between the four levels of the museum. The Guide or Educator tells us where there is art on display. Sometimes a gallery is closed if the museum is preparing a new exhibition. We are patient and will move to the galleries that are open.

Before we look at art, we stop outside of the gallery door to review the rules:

- Stay together



- Walk



- Listen when someone is speaking to us



- No food or drink



- Do not touch the walls or artworks unless a Guide tells us that we can



We try our best to follow the rules. When we follow the rules, we stay safe and have fun at the museum.



When we are ready, we will go into the galleries to look closely at art together.

We can sit on the floor to look at the art and talk about it. It is fun to share what we see with the people in our group.

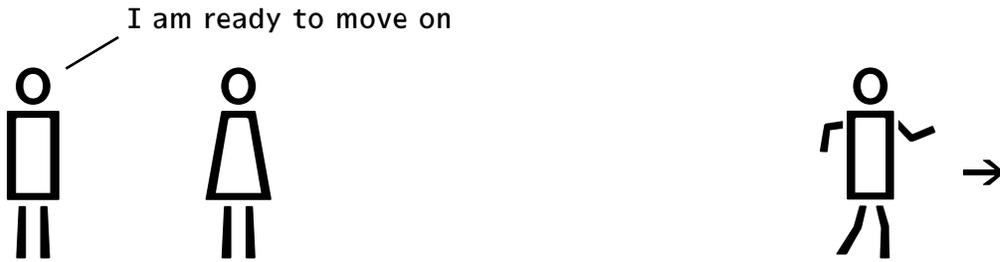
There will be a Guide in many galleries who can answer questions. The Guide might touch us on the shoulder or use words to ask us to step back if we get too close to an artwork. We will feel proud to follow the directions and keep everyone safe.



Installation view: Alan Shields, *Protracted Simplicity (1966–1985)*, 2016. Photo: Tony Prikryl

Here is a picture of one of the galleries showing an installation. This will not be on view when we visit, but art that is just as special will be! We might hear sounds, see moving images, something familiar, or something new. We feel happy to share this experience with our group.

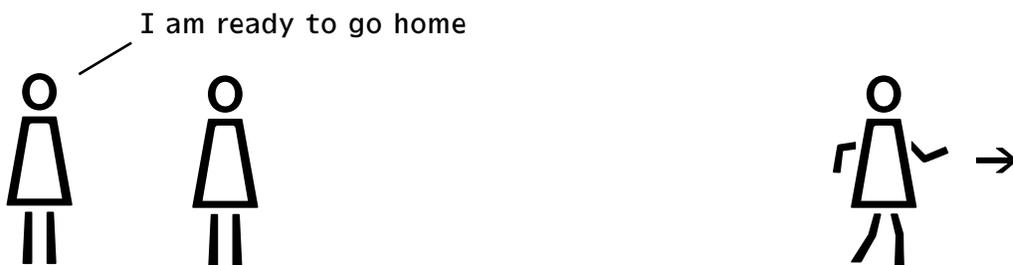
If I need to leave the gallery, I will tell someone in my group: "I am ready to move on."



If I need to take a break, I will tell someone in my group: "I need a break."



If I need to leave the museum, I will tell someone in my group: "I am ready to go home."





Installation view: Anna Sew Hoy, *Magnetic Between*, 2015. Photo: Tony Prikryl

If we visit Level 3, we will see a café, tables and chairs, views of the outdoors, and an artwork in the Roof Deck Sculpture Garden. The artwork on view will look different than this artwork. If we remember to not touch, then we have fun and make our group proud.



If we are with an Educator and going to make art, we will go to the Education Workshop. We are allowed to eat and drink in the Workshop. There is a sink and a bathroom in this room. We can also use this space if we need to take a break.



We can wear a smock or an apron to keep our clothes clean. We can use whatever colors or materials the Educator gives us, and make whatever we want. The Educator is happy to make art with us. We can take our artwork home.



When we are finished, we leave the Education Workshop and go back to the main area of the museum. If we left anything in the Coatroom, we return to pick up our things and leave the museum.



The museum staff will say goodbye to us. They hope we had a good time at the museum. We can come back to the museum again to have fun, and even bring a friend!

Accessibility at the Aspen Art Museum

Accessible Restrooms are available on Level 1, 3, and the Lower Level. Single user/all gender restrooms are located on the Lower Level and Level 3.

Wheelchairs are welcome everywhere in the building. A wheelchair is available free of charge on a first-come, first-served basis. Visit the Visitor Information Desk on Street Level for more information.

Strollers are welcome in most galleries, unless otherwise noted. Strollers may, alternatively, be left in the Coatroom.

Service Animals are allowed in most cases. The ADA defines a service animal as any guide dog, signal dog, or other animal trained to provide assistance to an individual with a disability. Service animals matching these criteria are allowed in the museum galleries, unless otherwise noted. Pets or companions are not allowed in the museum.

Large-Print versions of exhibition guides are available at the front desk.

Verbal Description tours can be scheduled with advance notice for those with low or no vision.

Food and Drink are not permitted in the museum. Beverages and food are available for purchase at SO on Level 3 and are only permitted in the café—they may not be carried into the galleries or other areas. Special requests may be accommodated in the Education Workshop with advance arrangements.

Bag and Coat Check is available. For your convenience, and the safety of the artwork, we always encourage bags and coats to be checked into the Coatroom located at Street Level. We do require all backpacks and bags larger than 12 x 7 x 14 inches (width x depth x length; 30.5 x 17.8 x 35.6 cm) to be checked. Coats must also be checked unless worn throughout the entirety of your visit.

Special Needs can be accommodated to the best of our ability with advance arrangements through our Education Department. We will always try to help where able.

PLEASE CONTACT us if you have any questions or feedback about your visit: 970.925.8050 or info@aspenartmuseum.org

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