Visual Story

Hybrid Event: Accessible Tech

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What is a Visual Story?

* Visual stories are written in an easy to follow and accessible format and are used to prepare a person for a new environment or situation by increasing predictability.
* This helps bring familiarity to a process and reduce anxiety and stress.

Schedule

* 10:50am: Arrive at the MCA
* 11:00am – 12:00pm: Panel discussion and Q&A
* 12pm: Event concludes, café and galleries remain open

How to get to the MCA

* The MCA is located off Circular Quay West, Sydney.
* The closest train station is Circular Quay.
* No parking is available on site.
* There is a drop off zone in the Wilson Parking Area (Overseas passenger terminal at the corner of George Street and Argyle Street permit entrance). Vehicles have 15 minutes to drop off/pick up participants in this area free of charge.

Arriving at the MCA

* I can enter the MCA through the Circular Quay entrance.
* The Circular Quay entrance is on the Circular Quay Western Promenade, next to Sydney Harbour.
* I can use the stairs or the ramp to get to the MCA entrance.
* Next to the entrance there is a big arrow that points down.
* This was created by an artist named Brook Andrew.
* I will know that I am at the entrance to the museum when I find Brook Andrew’s artwork.
* There is another entrance that I can use which is located on George Street.
* This entrance has glass sliding doors and no steps.
* Once inside, there is a gentle incline that will lead me to the information desk on Level 1.

Inside the MCA

* If I enter through the Circular Quay entrance, I will find stairs leading up to the first floor.
* There are also lifts on every floor that I can use.
* The lifts are down a passageway to the left of the main stairs.
* I can take the lift or stairs to Level 2.
* In the Level 2 foyer I will see a seating area to the right of the stairs.
* There will be signs directing me to the Veolia Lecture Theatre.
* The entrance to the Veolia Lecture Theatre is located at the end of the Level 2 foyer next to the seating area.
* There are accessible and all gender bathrooms to the left of the Lecture Theatre entrance.

MCA Hosts

* An MCA Host will greet me on Level 2 and direct me to the Veolia Lecture Theatre.
* They wear a black MCA t-shirt.
* I can ask the MCA Host for help if I need to.
* I will also find MCA Hosts inside the galleries and at the Level 1 information desk.

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* When I enter the Veolia Lecture Theatre, I will find orange seats that fold down.
* I can sit in any seat that does not have a "reserved" sign.
* There will also be space for wheelchair users at the front.

**The event will include:**

* 45 minute panel discussion
* 15 minute question and answer session.
* I can participate in the question and answer session.
* If I wish to ask a question, I can put my hand up and a staff member will bring me a microphone to use if I want to.
* This event will also be viewed by audiences joining online.

Quiet Room

* If I need a space to relax, I can go to the Quiet Room.
* I can ask the MCA staff for help to find the Quiet Room.
* The Quiet room might look different when it is set up in a different space.

Event concludes

* The event finishes at 12pm and I will be asked to exit the Veolia Lecture Theatre.
* I can visit the cafe on Level 4 until 4:00pm.
* I can also visit the galleries on Levels 1, 2 and 3 until 5pm.

Thank you! And feedback

If I have any feedback or questions I can email [accesstours@mca.com.au](mailto:accesstours@mca.com.au) or I can call 02 9245 2400

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