



**Planning your visit to the
Accessible Arts 40th Celebration
at the AGNSW**

Visual Story

What is a Visual Story



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A Visual Story is a helpful guide that combines images and text to assist you when you're in a new environment.

It's designed to make unfamiliar environments less intimidating and more familiar, so you can feel more at ease and less stressed.

This guide will give you all the information you need about the event, including an overview of what's planned and what to expect.

Accessible Arts 40th Celebration



Accessible Arts is celebrating its 40th Anniversary with a series of free events at the Art Gallery of NSW. The events will take place on Wednesday 14 October.

Events include:

Access Ideas & Insights: Nothing About Us Without Us. A panel discussion about disability, access and the arts.

Disability Justice and Joy: Zine-Making Workshops
A free creative workshop where I can make my own colourful zine.

Comedy-Led Tours of *The Edge of Things*
A fun and accessible tour of the *The Edge of Things* exhibition.

Access Ideas and Insights: Nothing About Us Without Us



Access Ideas & Insights: Nothing About Us Without Us

The panel will explore the journey from the disability rights movement to contemporary arts practice, looking at the intersection of activism and creativity and highlighting some of the key moments, and people that have shaped disability arts.

Panel members include:

- Morwenna Colett- Musician and Accessibility Consultant
- Finn O'Keefe - Disability Advocate and Lived Experience Researcher
- Bianca Yeung - Writer, Dancer and Interdisciplinary Artist
- Alex Jones – Artist and Disability Advocate

Panel Start Time:

5pm – 6.15pm: 1-hour panel followed by 15-min Q&A

Zine Making Workshops



Disability Justice and Joy: Zine-Making Workshops

I can join a free workshop to make my own colourful zine. The workshops will celebrate Disability culture, community and creativity.

What will happen?

All workshop materials will be provided.

Artist facilitators will explain how to make a zine.

I can make my zine using the materials provided.

No booking is required. Auslan interpreters will be available for the workshops.

Workshop times

There will be two workshops in the Learning Studio on Lower Level 1.

- 3:30pm – 4:30pm
- 7:30pm – 8:30pm

Comedian-Led Art Tours



Comedy-Led Tours of *The Edge of Things*

I can join a free comedian-led art tour of [*The Edge of Things*](#) exhibition. Comedians Imaan Hadchiti and Alice Tovey will lead the tours and explore the exhibition sharing their own perspectives and responses to the artworks.

What do I need to know?

The tours are free.

No booking is required.

The tours will start at the entrance to *The Edge of Things* on Lower Level 1.

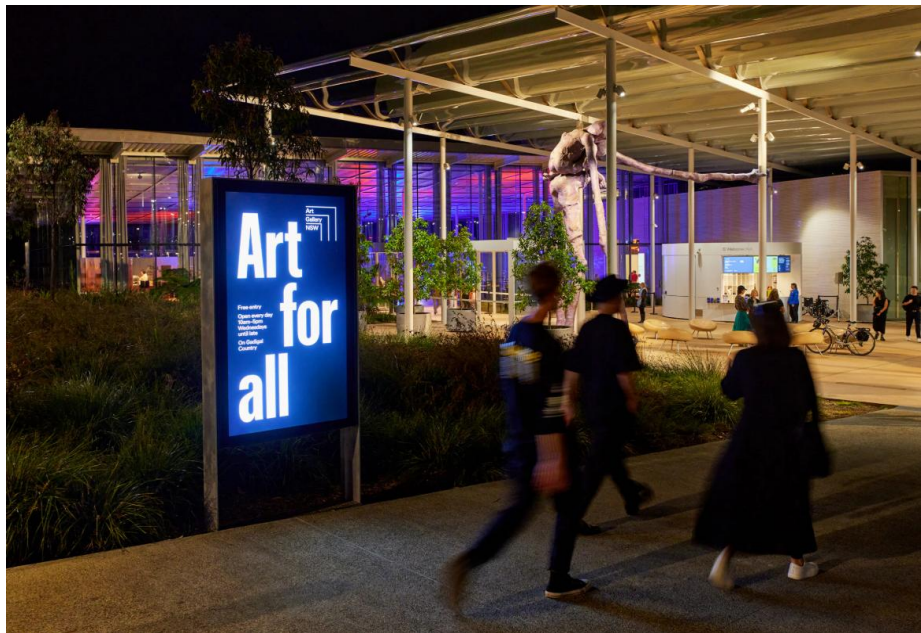
Auslan interpreters will be available during the tours. Each tour will have about 30 people.

Tour times

7:00pm – 7:45pm

8:00pm – 8:45pm

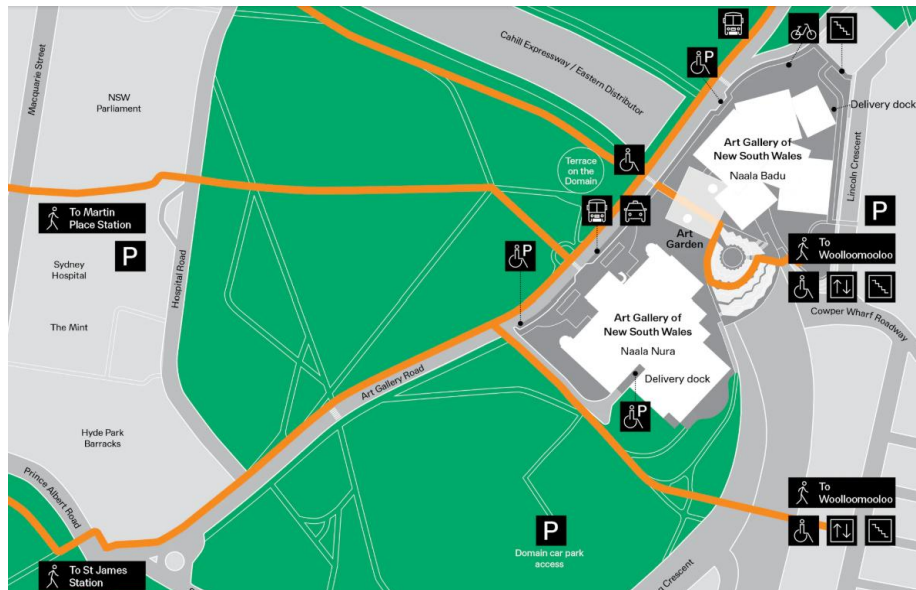
Art After Hours at the AGNSW



Every Wednesday night, the Art Gallery of New South Wales stays open until 10pm. This is called Art After Hours. I can find more about the program by clicking here: [Art After Hours](#)

The Art After Hours program will host a range of free workshops and events related to the Accessible Arts 40th Celebration. This includes the Access, Ideas & Insights panel, Zine Making Workshop and Comedian-Led Art Tours through [The Edge of Things](#) exhibition.

Planning Your Visit



The event will be held at the Art Gallery of New South Wales - Art Gallery Road, The Domain, Sydney.

Public transport

Bus 441: Departs from the York Street side of Queen Victoria Building and drops off near the AGNSW.

Train: St James and Martin Place stations are both about 10min walk.

There are three dedicated accessible parking spaces onsite. To find out more about visiting click here: [Getting here](#)

Art Gallery of New South Wales



Art Gallery of New South Wales has two main buildings:

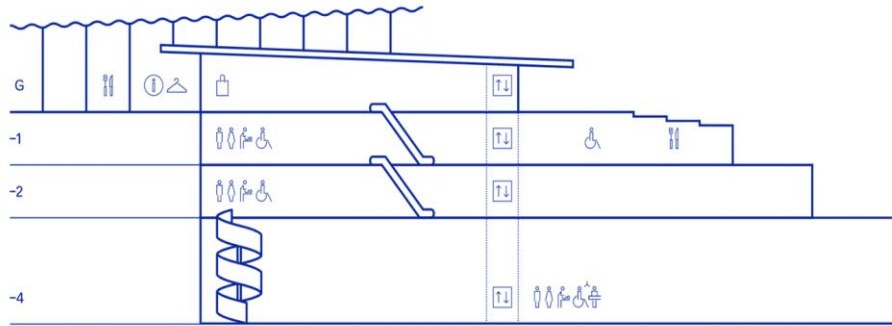
- Naala Badu - North building
- Naala Nura - South building

All the Accessible Arts 40th Celebration activities will be held in the Naala Badu building.

I can find out more about the venue and the exhibition spaces here: [Venue Map](#)

Map of Naala Budu

Naala Budu Building



This is a map of the Naala Budu building which shows the locations of the amenities. There are different free and paid art exhibitions on each level.

Where will the activities take place?

Access Ideas & Insights Panel

The panel will be held in Meers Hall on Lower Level 2.

Comedy-Led Art Tours

The tours will start at the entrance to *The Edge of Things* exhibition on Lower Level 1.

Zine-Making Workshops

The workshop will be held in the Learning Studio on Lower Level 1.

Welcome Hub



The main entrance to the Naala Badu is located on Art Gallery Road and can be accessed through the Welcome Plaza.

Once I arrive at the entrance, I will see glass doors that open and close automatically. I can also locate the Welcome Hub at the entrance. This is where I can cloak my bag and can ask for a gallery map.

If I need a wheelchair or mobility scooter, I can book this free service at the Welcome Hub. I will be asked for my ID when booking, and at the end of my visit I need to return it at the Welcome Hub. I can find out more about the venue access here: [Access AGNSW](#)

Art Gallery of New South Wales Hosts



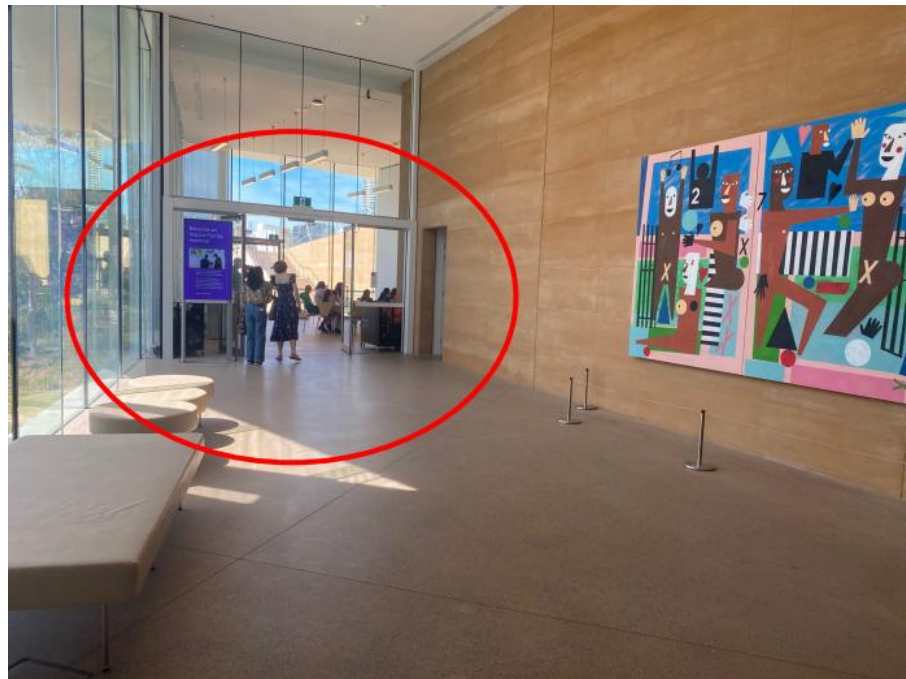
Gallery Hosts and Accessible Arts Staff will be working throughout the gallery and at each of the activities.

I can identify the Hosts by their blue shirts with the word Welcome printed on the front. Gallery Hosts and Accessible Arts staff will be available to help me at the different activities.

What can they help me with?

- Information about the exhibitions
- Directions to facilities, such as toilets
- Help finding the different activities
- Information about accessibility
- First aid if I need it

How to find the Zine Making Workshop



Finding the Zine-Making Workshop

The Zine-Making Workshop will be held in the Learning Studio on Lower Level 1.

How do I get there?

When I enter Naala Badu, I will arrive in a large foyer. I can take the elevators directly across from the entrance or take the escalators down to Lower Level 1. On the opposite end from the escalators across the atrium, I can find the Learning Studio. This is where the [Zine-Making Workshop](#) will take place.

Inside the Learning Studio, there will be tables and chairs set up for the workshop. I can choose any available seat.

How to find Comedian-Led Tours



Finding the Comedian-Led Tours

The Comedian-Led Tours of *The Edge of Things* will start at the exhibition entrance on Lower Level 1.

How do I get there?

I can take the escalators down to Lower Level 1 in the Naala Badu building. I will then walk along the atrium. I will see an open exhibition entrance with a sign showing the title *The Edge of Things*. This is where the tour will start.

During the tour

I will be walking around the exhibition space during the tour. There will be limited seating available. If I need to sit down or take a break, I can ask an AGNSW Host or Accessible Arts staff member for help.

How to find the Access Ideas & Insights panel



Finding the Access Ideas & Insights Panel

The Access Ideas & Insights panel will take place in Meers Hall on Lower Level 2 of the Naala Badu building.

How do I get there?

I can get to Lower Level 2 in two ways:
Take the elevator directly to Lower Level 2, or
Take the two sets of escalators down to Lower Level 2. Lower Level 2 is a large, open atrium space with exhibition galleries around it.

Meers Hall is directly across from the second set of escalators, on the right-hand side.

Meers Hall



Inside the Meers Hall I will see a stage and chairs set up in rows. I can choose to sit anywhere I want except for chairs with a reserved sign on them.

The doors will open for the event at 4:45pm. The panel will start at 5pm with a Welcome to Country. Following the Welcome to Country, a panel discussion will take place on stage and will go for 1-hour followed by 15-min Q&A where I can ask a question to the panellists.

Free drinks and light refreshments will be provided in Meers Hall from 6.15pm – 7pm

During the event there will be a photographer taking photos, as well as audio and video equipment as the event is being live streamed.

Access Information



Auslan interpreters will be available at all the activities. I do not need to book Auslan interpreting in advance. The Access Ideas & Insights panel will also have live captioning.

If I need an accessible seat, I can ask an AGNSW Host or Accessible Arts staff member for help. They can help me find a suitable seat.

Questions About Access

If I have questions about my access requirements before I arrive, I can contact the Accessible Arts team: [Contact Us](#)

Public Toilets



Accessible toilets, parents and carers rooms are located on Lower Levels 1 and 2 in Naala Badu.

The closest toilets to Meers Hall are on the opposite side of the Lower Level 2 atrium behind the escalators.

I can ask the AGNSW Hosts or Accessible Arts staff to help me find them.

Accessible Arts Team



Accessible Arts Staff

Accessible Arts team members will be on site throughout the celebration to provide support. I can identify them by their pink lanyards with their names on them.

The Accessible Arts team can help with:

- Access support
- Finding my way around the gallery
- Finding the activities and facilities
- Other support I may need during the event

I can ask a team member for help at any time.

I can find out more about the Accessible Arts team here: [Accessible Arts Team 2026](#)