

Venue Accessibility: Factory Studio

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Info at a Glance

- **Level access** to all public locations in building.
- **Accessible seating** available in Factory theatre.
- **Accessible washroom** on second floor.
- **Elevator** access to second floor.
- **Narrowest width** for access to Studio and washrooms is 28.5”.

Factory Theatre: General

- Factory Theatre is a heritage building that has been converted into a performance venue. It is retrofitted for access but not barrier-free for all patrons.
- Main entrance to Factory Theatre, through glass atrium, has level access from the street.

Next Stage Festival Tent

- The Festival Tent is located outside in the Factory courtyard.
 - Patrons can access tent via ramp or stairs.
 - All surfaces concrete.
- Ramp
 - Permanent.
 - No railings.
 - Ramp is comprised of three segments, each approximately 80" wide with a gentle slope.
 - First segment is approximately 19ft long with a gradual incline of between 10° and 20°.
 - Second segment is flat and approximately 13ft long.
 - Third segment is 15ft long with gradual incline of between 10° and 20°.
 - There is ample space between entrance of ramp and sidewalk.
- Stairs
 - There are three permanent stairs.
 - Stairs have an 8" rise and are approximately 8ft wide.
 - No railings.
 - Temporary contrast markings indicate stair edges (may not be visible after snow or rain).
- Staff and volunteers receive some disability awareness training.
- Please indicate to staff any access needs upon arrival.
- Please indicate to staff or volunteers if you require seating while waiting for a show to be let in.

Washrooms

- Elevator to single occupancy gender-neutral accessible washroom available on the second floor.
- Unobstructed route from main entrance to accessible washroom:
 - After entering Factory theatre's main doors in the glass atrium proceed to elevator. Elevator is located on the far side of left wall.
 - After exiting elevator on second floor make a right turn through the open threshold and then another immediate right turn through the open door. Follow the carpeted area making a left turn and then a second left turn. Accessible washroom is on the right.
 - Alternative route requires opening two doors but has fewer turns.
 - The route has variable surfaces including carpet, wood, and concrete.
- Accessible washroom
 - 81" x 86" with automatic push button door.
 - No automatic lock. Manual lock is located on the door, 48" from ground.
 - Bathroom light is manual, 50" from ground.
 - Toilet is raised 17.5" from ground.
 - Handlebars behind and to the side of the toilet.
 - Baby change table not available.
 - No adult change table.
 - No emergency call button.
 - Bathroom fixtures at appropriate heights for use by patrons with mobility aids.
- Standard washrooms with stalls available on first and second floors.

Studio: General

- Located on the first floor of Factory Theatre.
- Level Access to accessible seating area.
 - The route from main entrance to accessible seating is unobstructed through the Factory workshops.
 - The path has variable surfaces including carpet, wood, and textured rubber. There are four turns.
 - The path includes one permanent ramp (approximately 46" l x 84" w) with a gentle slope (approximate incline of 10°).
 - The path includes variation in floor level up to a maximum of 1/8".
 - Patrons must be escorted to their seats by a staff or volunteer.

Studio: Seating

- Standard theatre seating
 - Raked with multiple sets of stairs.
 - Stairs up to standard seating have a railing.
 - No railing in raked seating areas.
 - All stairs have an 8" rise.
 - Contrast tape on stairs.
- Standard seats
 - 18" l x 18" w x 18" h.
 - All standard seats have armrests.
- Alternative seating (seats with no arms and non-standard size)

- Available by request. Space is limited. Please reserve in advance and arrive early to avoid disappointment.
- Accessible seating
 - Available at the floor level of theatre. Patrons are escorted to accessible seats.
 - Accessible seating areas can accommodate approximately 16 patrons with mobility devices (depending on the size of the devices).
 - Multiple patrons using mobility devices are able to sit together and next to or just below companions using standard seating. Please reserve in advance and arrive early to avoid disappointment.
 - Patrons may transfer to standard or alternative seating (assistance is not available).
 - Accessible seating may be reserved in advance when purchasing tickets or by presenting to Front of House at least 20 minutes before performance start time.
- Policy for accessible and alternative seating
 - May be reserved in advance when purchasing tickets or by presenting to Front of House at least 20 minutes before performance start time.
 - Accessible and alternative seating cannot be guaranteed after regular house seating opens, however, staff and volunteers will do their best to accommodate all patrons.

Priority Seating Policy

- Priority seating is available for patrons with access needs and for those requiring a little extra time to get to their seats.

- In order to take advantage of priority seating patrons must present themselves to Front of House at least 20 minutes in advance of show start time.
- Audible priority seating announcement is made approximately 15 minutes prior to performance start time.
- Priority seating cannot be guaranteed after regular house seating opens, however staff and volunteers will do their best to accommodate all patrons.

Hearing

- No hearing assist devices available.
- ASL
 - ASL-fluent volunteers onsite at performance with ASL Interpretation.
 - Please use priority seating if taking advantage of ASL interpretation.
 - Please inquire about best sight lines for each interpreted show.

Visual

- Glass doors in main atrium do not have contrast markings.
- Lighting conditions
 - Variable throughout building.
 - Low lighting in some parts of the venue.
- Environment
 - Plain walls and backgrounds throughout venue.

Signage

- No Braille signage available.

- No textured touch map available.

Emergency Evacuation Procedures

- Factory Theatre has a dedicated evacuation plan in place which includes consideration for people with mobility or other access needs.
- Auditory evacuation warning alerts.
- No visual evacuation warning system.
- No emergency evacuation chairs available from second floor.

Parking

- Paid city street parking is available outside of building on Adelaide.
- Paid privately operated lot located near Factory Theatre on Adelaide.
 - Outdoor parking area is partially level and in need of repair but passable using a manual device.
 - Underground parking available.
 - Accessible parking does not appear to be available in private paid parking.

Transit

- Wheel Trans users can be dropped off in front of the Adelaide entrance.
- Closest accessible transit routes:
 - 504 King street car (217 m).
 - St Andrew subway station (1.6 km).