



## Access programs

At the Gallery, we want to share our collection, exhibitions and events and our passion for art. Our range of access programs is aimed at engaging diverse audiences with different abilities.

### Programs on demand

The following programs are available if booked at least two weeks in advance. Contact Public Programs.

#### Auslan-interpreters

Groups of visitors who are deaf who book at least two weeks in advance can be provided with Auslan interpreters free of charge.

#### In Touch at the Gallery

In Touch at the Gallery is our free program offering guided sensory tours for people who are blind or vision-impaired if booked at least two weeks in advance.

Take a journey through art and discover the stories and ideas surrounding unique objects. Experience the tactile qualities of bronze and marble, led by an experienced guide.

Selected sculptures in our collection are available to be explored through touch in our tour, *The human body in 19th- and 20th-century sculpture*. There is also a sensory trolley of tactile materials and props, which is used to support audio-descriptions of other artworks, and tours can incorporate an art-making workshop.

Available for groups or individuals.

#### Audio-described tours

Audio-described tours of the permanent galleries and temporary exhibitions are available for visitors who are blind or vision impaired if booked at least two weeks in advance.

### **Intellectual disability**

Groups of visitors with intellectual disabilities are encouraged to contact the Gallery to discuss their needs. Tailored guided tours of the permanent displays are available free if booked at least two weeks in advance.

### **Dementia**

A structured program is available for people living with dementia and their carers.

The art and dementia program provides opportunities for meaningful and interactive engagement with artworks from the Gallery's collection. It offers intellectual stimulation and encourages self-expression with an opportunity for participants to articulate their opinions about what they experience and to connect with their carers and new people. A creative ageing program, it also promotes lifelong learning and aims to reduce the stigma around dementia.

The program is available free for groups on any Thursday or Friday for one hour between 10.30am and 12pm if booked at least two weeks in advance.

We are also able to undertake a limited number of outreach visits to eligible community organisations who cannot access the Gallery, with tailored presentations exploring selected artworks.

### **Other community access**

The Gallery and our collection can provide a stimulating and inspiring experience for seniors, including people with limited mobility and not-for-profit organisations that provide support for people with disabilities.

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### **For children**

As well as programs for children who are hearing or vision impaired, the Gallery has a program called Starting with Art for children with an intellectual disability. See Access programs for K-6 and Access programs for Years 7-12.