

MTG Social Story

This tells you what you will experience when you visit **MTG**.

MTG is a museum, theatre and art gallery. If you are coming from Marine Parade, you will see the big white building and blue flags out the front. You are at the front entrance to the museum. Wheelchairs can move freely from the street into the museum.



Hawke's Bay
Tai Ahuriri

If you are coming from Herschell Street, you will see four big doors.



If you go through these doors and turn to the right, there is a glass sliding door. This is another entrance to the museum. There is a ramp for wheelchair access. For an easier experience, please come to the front entrance on Marine Parade.



When you go into the foyer you will meet some friendly staff members at the front desk. They will give you a map and tell you how to get around the museum. If you are going to an education class, your class will be met by the teacher who could be Haidee or Denise. You will then go into the Education Classroom.



Haidee



Denise

There are three floors in the Museum: upstairs, the ground floor and downstairs. You can get up and down to the different floors using the stairwell on either side of the foyer. There is also an elevator. Only students who are 16-years-old or older can use the elevator unless they have an adult with them.

Downstairs is a gallery about the 1931 Hawke's Bay earthquake and the light is darker in there to protect the objects on display.

There are many different exhibits on the ground floor and upstairs. They change often so do not expect to see the same things each time you visit.



1931 Hawke's Bay earthquake gallery

There are some rules to follow when visiting the museum.

I will...

- Stay with my family, friends or group.
- Use my inside voice.
- Walk.
- Be careful and do not touch items on display. Some activities will be on in galleries and will be clearly marked.
- Be considerate to others.
- Obey signs and stay behind barriers.
- Leave food and drink at the reception.



There are quiet places in the MTG to rest and relax.

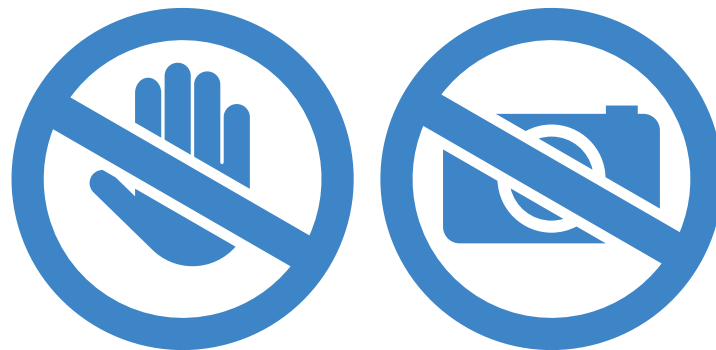


Barriers tell you to stay back from the walls and exhibits.



A sign like this means be careful. There may have been a leak or spill, people may be working in the space, or there is a hazard.

These signs mean no touching.
And no photos please.



If you feel worried about something, if you can't find something or someone, or you hurt yourself, look for people with name badges. They are staff members who can help you.

If the crowds or the noise is too much for you and you need a break, let someone in your group know how you are feeling so they can take you to a quiet place or go outside for some fresh air.

Enjoy your visit!