

Autism Friendly Resources in Glasgow Museums

A big thank you for opting to remain on our distribution mailing list!

Every few months we will update you on what resources and programmes are available (or indeed in development!) in our museums across the city.

Here is what is coming up until the end of June. Look out for our summer Holiday programme!

Visual Storyboards

If you have not been to one of our venues before or have not been for a long time you might find our venue specific autism friendly storyboard guides a good resource to prepare and plan your visit.

Use this link to access the storyboards:

www.glasgowlife.org.uk/museums/autism-friendly-glasgow-museums/visual-storyboards

*Please note the café and shop are currently closed at the St Mungo Museum and Provand's Lordship is closed. A storyboard for the newly refurbished Burrell Collection will be available soon.

Early and quiet openings

For some autistic people, a museum visit can overwhelm the senses. These early and quiet openings are more enjoyable.

The following venues will be open early in May and June-

May

Venue	Date and Time	Address	Where to enter the building	What will be available
Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum Contact: 0141 276 9599	Friday 26 May 10am-11am	Argyle Street G3 8AG	Entry to the museum is via the car park entrance facing the University	As well as the galleries spaces the shop and upper café will also be open

June

<p>Kelvinhall</p> <p>Contact: Jade.graham@glasgowlife.org.uk</p>	<p>Saturday 3 June 12pm- 2pm</p>	<p>1445 Argyle Street G3 8AW</p>	<p>Where to enter the building</p>	<p>Play n' Climb Our Soft Play and Climbing sessions will run with reduced capacity, and no music or flashing lights.</p> <p>Softplay Sessions: 11.15am & 13.30pm Clip n' Climb Sessions: 12pm & 13.15pm Please book online via the Glasgow Club App or call 0141 287 2627.</p> <p>National Library of Scotland</p> <p>The National Library's access centre will be open to all with reduced sound and light levels. The 12 screen video wall and curated touchscreen apps are easy to use to look at film highlights from the collections. Private viewing rooms will be available for browsing the moving image archive and the library's digital collections. A quiet reading room will also be available.</p> <p><u>Make It Happen - Stop Motion Animation Workshop</u></p> <p>12 – 12.45pm – booked session for up to 20 people 1 – 1.45pm – drop-in session for up to 20 people.</p> <p>Join us for an exciting Stop Motion workshop where you will be able to bring your characters and ideas to life. We will be using stop motion apps to bring objects to life and turn our very own stories into short movies.</p> <p>We have a quiet room located just past the Sports Halls in the avenue which is always available.</p>
<p>Riverside</p> <p>Contact: 0141 287 2720</p>	<p>Friday 9 June 10-11am</p>	<p>100 Pointhouse Road G3 8RS</p>	<p>Main Museum Entrance</p>	<p>During an early opening at Riverside, we reduce noise levels, flashing lights and crowds as much as possible.</p>
<p>Burrell Collection</p> <p>Contact: 0141 287 2550</p>	<p>Friday 30 June 10-11am</p>	<p>Pollok Country Park, 2060 Pollokshaws Road, G43 1AT</p>	<p>Only the main glass entrance will be open</p>	<p>The Shop and café will be open</p>

Other resources available

Sensory bags containing ear defenders, emotion cards and fidgets are currently available from the Information/Enquiry desks in following museums: Riverside Museum, the St Mungo Museum, The Peoples Palace, The Kelvinhall, The Gallery of Modern Art and The Burrell Collection.

We ask that you kindly return these to these desks for the use of other visitors.

Quiet and safe spaces

This a place where autistic visitors can go when they feel overwhelmed. This can help people to successfully continue their museum visit or to prepare for their journey home.

Venue	Date and time when available	Where to find our safe space
Riverside Museum	27 and 28 May 24 and 25 June Saturday 10am-4.30pm & Sunday 11am-4.30pm	The Learning Room
Burrell Collection	Available during normal working hours	Between the Espresso bar and the toilets

Tell us how we are doing

We value your support and feedback as we make our venues more autism friendly.

Tell us how you enjoyed your museum experience.

You can do this by either dropping us an email or by completing an online Customer Comments Form. You can access this using this link:

www.glasgowlife.org.uk/forms/customer-comments-form