

A visit to



Dudley  
House

## Social Story

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I am going to visit Dudley House.

Dudley House is a gallery space for art exhibitions, functions, and events.





Many of the exhibitions and events at  
Dudley House are free.

That means I will not need to bring a ticket.

My support person can I tell me if I do need  
to bring a ticket.



When I arrive, I will enter through the entry doors, straight into the main gallery.

There is a smaller gallery at Dudley House too.





There are toilets at Dudley House.

I will find the toilets outside, through the back door of the main gallery.



I might see people wearing name tags.  
They are called staff.

Staff will be able to answer any questions I  
have about Dudley House.



There might be artwork to see at Dudley House.

I can look at each piece of art that interests me.

Each piece of art will have a sign next to it, describing it.

My support person or a staff member might help explain this to me.





It is important that I do not touch the artwork at Dudley House.

I need to move slowly throughout the galleries.

This is important, so that I do not bump into the artwork.



I will see gallery lights at Dudley House.

I might hear footsteps on the wooden floor.

I might see and hear lots of people.

I might hear an echo in the galleries.





Sometimes the sights and sounds at  
Dudley House might feel too much for me.

I can bring my ear defenders or ear plugs.

There is a courtyard at the back of the  
main gallery.

I might go to the courtyard to take a break  
and get some fresh air.



My support person will tell me when it is time to leave Dudley House.

Other people might be leaving at the same time.

I might wait a few minutes for other people to leave.





Dudley House is a great place to visit.



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