Accessibility Tip Sheet

• If you need assistance with anything during your visit, please notify a museum staff member or volunteer. Look for a museum-logo shirt and/or museum badge.

• Fidget toy kits and noise-reducing headphones are available to check out at the Concierge Desk on Level 1.

• Most restrooms have automatic-flush toilets. All restrooms have automatic sinks and soap dispensers, as well as automatic paper towel dispensers.

• Some galleries have sound and light shows that play throughout the day. These areas are marked with signage indicating the times of the shows.

• Look for these symbols on the museum map to help guide you through your visit:

- **Bright Area**
- **Tactile Opportunities**
- **Low Lights**
- **Movement Opportunities**
- **Loud Area**
- **Strong Smells**
- **Quiet Area**
There are two family restrooms located in Dinosphere®. These restrooms include child-size, manual-flush toilets. The changing stations in these restrooms are affixed to the counters.

**Quiet areas:** Look for this symbol.
- **Fireworks of Glass** (on slower days)
- Outside of Lilly Theater
- Hallway between Dinosphere and All Aboard!

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### All Aboard!

**Auditory**
- This space can be loud on busy days.
- There are train sounds. A loud bell rings during the sound and light show.

**Tactile**
- There are toy train sets to play with.
- There is a real tool car that you can touch and walk through.

**Visual**
- A strobe light is used during the sound and light show.
- The lights are low in this space.
- Enjoy the repetitive motion of the trains.
- There is a video that plays inside the tool car.

### Dinosphere: Now You’re in Their World

**Auditory**
- The main exhibit area can be loud at times, with periodic thunderstorms. You will hear dinosaur noises and nature sounds.

**Olfactory**
- You may smell pine and magnolia.

**Tactile**
- There is a dig site* where you can search for pretend dinosaur bones.
- There are touchscreen monitors to use to interact with the exhibit.
- You can touch a real dinosaur bone at the Paleo Lab window!

**Visual**
- The sky projected on the dome changes and there are periodic thunderstorms, including flashing lights, which are meant to look like lightning.
- The lights are low in most of the exhibit.
- The colors of the lights change throughout the exhibit.

*On busy days, the dig site is a good place to practice waiting in line. It is also a good place to practice taking turns.

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### Lilly Theater

**Auditory**
- Performances include music. Sometimes the performances can be loud.
- The area outside of the theater can be a quiet space to take a break.

**Olfactory**
- Some performances include a fog machine and fog will drift into the first few rows of the audience.

**Visual**
- The lights are low in this space. They are very low during performances.
- Sometimes the actors may come out into the aisles during a performance.

### National Geographic Treasures of the Earth

**Auditory**
- This is a loud space.
- There is music playing in this space.

**Visual**
- There are bright lights.
- There are flashing lights in the Egyptian tomb during the sound and light show.
- There are tanks filled with water and artifacts from shipwrecks.
- There are videos that play throughout the exhibit.

**Tactile**
- There is a dig site* where you can search for pretend Terra Cotta Warriors.
- You can recreate a Terra Cotta Warrior.
- There is a replica shipwreck site where you can play with pretend dive gear.
- There are touchscreen monitors to use to interact with the exhibit.

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### Fireworks of Glass

**Auditory**
- On slower days, this is a quiet space. During these times, this is a good area to take a break.

**Tactile**
- There are plastic replicas of the Chihuly glass pieces that you can use to build your own tower.
- There are touchscreen monitors to use to interact with the exhibit.

**Visual**
- There are many bright colors.
- The lights are low in this space.
Lower Level Entrance
Enter via ramp or elevator
The Sunburst Atrium restrooms include child-size, manual-flush toilets. The changing stations in these restrooms are affixed to the counters.

The Welcome Center restrooms include child-size, manual-flush toilets. There are hand dryers in these restrooms. The changing stations in these restrooms fold out from the walls. There is one family restroom in the Welcome Center.

Quiet areas: Look for this symbol.
- Hallway between the Museum Preschool and Volunteer Central
- Alcove outside of the Food Court, near the entrance to Dinosphere®

Food Court
Auditory
- This is a loud space.
Olfactory
- There are many different food smells in this space.
Visual
- This is a bright space.
- There are windows to look through and there is natural light in this space.

Alcove outside of the Food Court, near the Dinosphere entrance
Auditory
- This is a quiet space.
Olfactory
- There are many different food smells in this space.
Visual
- The lights are low in this space.

The Children's Museum Store
Auditory
- This can be a loud space.
- There is music playing.
Visual
- This is a bright space.
- There are many bright colors.

National Geographic Treasures of the Earth (Overlook and Transport)
The Treasures Transport is an elevator that takes you down one level to the full Treasures of the Earth exhibit. The Transport is a dark space with a video that plays to introduce you to the exhibit. It simulates shaking and rattling as it moves down to the Lower Level.

Auditory
- There is music playing in this space.
Visual
- There is an overlook area that looks down into the full exhibit.
- This is a bright space.

School Arrival/Sack Lunch
Auditory
- This can be a loud space. When it is not being used, it is a good opportunity for a quiet space if you need a break.
Olfactory
- There are many different food smells in this space.
Visual
- This is a bright space.
- There are windows to look through and there is natural light in this space.

Sunburst Atrium
Auditory
- This is a loud space.
- There is music playing.
Visual
- There is an overlook area that looks down into the full exhibit.
- This is a bright space.
- There are windows and natural light.
- There are signs to read.

Welcome Center
This is a good area to practice waiting in line.

There is a lot of activity in this space on busy days.

Make sure to pick up a museum map when you arrive.

Auditory
- There is music playing.
- This can be a loud space.
Visual
- There is a giant toy robot. Sometimes he may talk. His name is Bumblebee.
- Sometimes there are items hanging from the ceiling.
- This is a bright space.
- There are windows and natural light.
- There are signs to read.
There are two family restrooms located on this level, outside of Take Me There®: China. These restrooms have automatic-flush toilets. The changing stations in these restrooms fold out from the walls.

**Quiet areas:** Look for this symbol.
- Dinosphere® overlook
- Stories from Our Community
- MiniMasterpieces
- Big, Bad, & Bizarre and Dinosaur Art Gallery

**Big, Bad, & Bizarre and Dinosaur Art Gallery**
**Auditory**
- This is a quiet space.

**Tactile**
- There are materials to use to practice drawing dinosaurs.
- There is putty to use to sculpt models.

**Visual**
- There are windows and natural light in this space.
- There is an overlook area that looks down into the Dinosphere exhibit.

**infoZone**
There is an automatic hand dryer in the restroom in infoZone.

**Auditory**
- This is a quiet space.

**Tactile**
- The TechZone has computers you can use if you are an Indianapolis Public Library cardholder.

**Visual**
- There are many bright colors in this space.

**MiniMasterpieces**
There are ledges along the walls that you can stand on to see into the displays. These ledges also make good seats if you need a place to take a break.

**Auditory**
- This can be a quiet space.

**Visual**
- The lights are low in this space.

**Polar Bear**
There is a giant stuffed polar bear. His name is Martimus.

**Stories from Our Community**
This is a space that is out of the way, in a corner of the building. There are benches if you need to sit and take a break.

**Auditory**
- Stories are read aloud through speakers.
- This can be a quiet space.

**Tactile**
- There are iPads you can use to interact with the exhibit.

**Visual**
- There are windows and natural light in this space.

**Take Me There: China**
**Auditory**
- This is a loud space.
- There are musical instruments to try.

**Movement**
- There are opportunities to learn kung-fu.
- There are opportunities to practice dressing like a Chinese Opera performer.

**Tactile**
- There are pretend pandas to care for.
- There is a teahouse where you can prepare and serve pretend tea.
- You can practice using chopsticks and writing Chinese calligraphy.

**Visual**
- This is a bright space.
- There are many bright colors.
- There are videos that play throughout the gallery.
Terra Cotta Warriors: The Emperor's Painted Army
Directly from China's Shaanxi Province

Through Nov. 2
Timed-entry ticket required.

Jolly Days
Winter Wonderland

Haunted House
(enter here)
Oct. 11–31, 2014
Additional ticket required.

Big, Bad, & Bizarre
MiniMasterpieces

InfoZone
Special Exhibit 2
Take Me There:®
China

InfoZone Auxiliary Room

Fireworks of Glass
Sunburst Atrium

Polar Bear

Big, Bad, & Bizarre

Stories from Our Community

= Elevator
= Restroom
= Family Restroom

Access to Skywalk is via Level 1 only

= Tactile Opportunity
= Bright Area
= Quiet Area
= Loud Area
= Low Light Area
= Strong Smells
= Movement Opportunity
= Tactile Opportunity

Low Light Area
Bright Area
Quiet Area
Loud Area
Strong Smells
Movement Opportunity
Tactile Opportunity
There are two family restrooms located in Playscape®. These restrooms include child-size, manual-flush toilets. The changing stations in these restrooms are affixed to the counters and are accessible for older children who have special needs.

**Quiet areas:** Look for this symbol.
- Hallway between Playscape and the Take Me There® China overlook
- The Power of Children® exhibit

**Playscape**
Children over the age of 5 who have special needs are welcome in Playscape.
This is a good space to practice waiting in line and taking turns.

**Auditory**
- This is a loud space.
- You will hear the sound of water.
- There are musical instruments to try.
- The art studio is a quieter space within the gallery.

**Tactile**
- Playing in the sand can be a soothing sensory experience.
- Playing in the water can be a soothing sensory experience.
- There are blocks to use for building.
- There are opportunities to create art.
- You can launch balls through the Reaction Contraption.

**Movement**
- There is a climbing structure.

**Olfactory**
- You may smell something like chlorine—it is the product we use to keep the water in the pond clean.

**Visual**
- There are windows to look through and there is natural light in this space.
- There are many bright colors.
- You can watch things fly through the Whirly Twirly Tower.

**Race Car**
There is a real IndyCar show car to sit in.

**The Power of Children**

**Auditory**
- This is a quiet space.
- There are voice recordings that play throughout the exhibit.
- The sound and light shows can be loud. There are signs in the exhibit that tell you what time the shows play.

**Tactile**
- There are computers to use to interact with the exhibit.

**Visual**
- The lights are low in this space.
- There are videos that play throughout the exhibit.
**Level 4**

*Carousel Wishes and Dreams* is a good space to practice waiting in line and taking turns.

**Quiet areas:** Look for this symbol.
- Ball Dollhouse area
- Corner display area near the restrooms

**Carousel Wishes and Dreams**
There is a real carousel you can ride. Carousel rides are $1 per person; members ride free. Children under 44 inches tall must be accompanied by a paid adult rider. The carousel is wheelchair accessible.

You can also ride Sandy the mechanical horse; rides are 5 cents each.

There is a walk-through maze that can be disorienting. There are small “escapes” to crawl through.

**Auditory**
- This is a loud space.
- There is music playing.

**Tactile**
- There is an ice cream shop where you can serve pretend food.
- There are vintage video games to play.

**Visual**
- There are bright lights.
- There are many bright colors.

**Ball Dollhouse**

**Auditory**
- This can be a quiet space.

**Tactile**
- There are wooden dollhouse pieces to play with.