VISITING LINDEN NEW ART

SOCIAL STORY

About This Story

This story will help me learn about Linden New Art and what I will see when I visit. If I need help or have any questions, I can call Linden at 03 9534 0099 or email them at gallery@lindenarts.org.

Where Is Linden New Art?



Linden New Art is an art gallery at 26 Acland Street, St. Kilda. It is in a big, old mansion that used to be a family home. This makes it feel cosy and safe. It is like exploring a house full of art.

Getting Inside Linden

- There is one entrance to Linden.
- The entrance has a ramp, so if I use a wheelchair or pram, I can easily roll up the ramp.



I might feel excited or a little curious when I first arrive, and that's okay. The ramp makes it easy to get inside, and everyone is friendly here.

When I Arrive at Linden

- When I walk in, I will see a reception desk near the back of the entrance.
- A friendly person will be there to welcome me and answer any questions I have. I can ask for help if I need it!



It's okay if I feel a little unsure at first. The staff are here to help, and I can talk to them anytime.

Bathrooms

- There is a big accessible bathroom on the ground floor with handrails to help if I need them.
- There are more bathrooms upstairs, but they might be harder to use if I need extra space or handrails.



If I need to use the bathroom, I can find one that's comfortable for me. I don't have to hurry—there's plenty of time.

Moving Around Linden

- Linden has two floors of art to explore.
- I can use the stairs or take the lift to go between the floors.



If I feel excited and want to move around quickly to see everything, that's okay! Or, if I want to take my time and enjoy each piece slowly, that's okay too. There's no rush here, and I can explore the gallery however I like.

Downstairs Galleries

• The downstairs area has four rooms and a big hallway where lots of art is displayed.



I can take my time to look at the art. If I want to talk about what I see, that's great! Linden is a place where I can chat with others. It's okay to ask questions or share what I think about the art.

Upstairs Galleries

- The upstairs area has two smaller rooms and a corridor.
- There is a quiet room upstairs that I can ask to use if I need a peaceful space.



If I need a break or feel like I need some quiet time, I can ask to use the quiet room. It's a safe, peaceful spot just for me.

Linden Projects Space

- There is a small gallery on the second floor at the back, outside through a decked area.
- This space is not wheelchair accessible, but there are plenty of other spaces I can explore.



I might not be able to go everywhere, and that's okay. There are still many other interesting things to see and do.

Linden Studios

- Artists and writers work here every day.
- If I see a door open, I can say hello to the people working inside.



If I feel curious or want to ask the artists questions, that's great! I can talk to them and learn more about what they do.

Workshop Space

- There is a workshop at the back of the building on the ground floor.
- I can get there by walking around the side of the building.



The workshop is a fun place where people make art. If I feel excited or curious, that's great! It's okay to feel happy and creative here.

Linden Staff Offices

- The Linden staff offices are upstairs.
- If I'm meeting with someone, the reception staff can help me find them.



If I feel a little lost or don't know where to go, I can always ask for help. The people here are happy to assist me.

Linden Garden

- At the front of the building is a beautiful garden.
- There are seats to rest on, and soft grass where I can sit if I like.



The garden is a peaceful place where I can sit and relax for as long as I want. I can take a break, enjoy the fresh air, and listen to the sounds around me. Whether I want to sit quietly on a bench or stretch out on the grass, the garden is here for me to enjoy at my own pace.

Linden New Art is a safe and fun place

At Linden, I can talk, laugh, and feel safe. I don't have to be quiet unless I want to be. I can explore the art, make new friends, and feel at home.

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