

NEW **SOCIAL** **NARRATIVE** **MUSEUM**

A Social Narrative for Individuals on the
Autism Spectrum and their Care Partners



Today we are visiting the New Museum. The New Museum is an art museum that focuses on contemporary art, or art made recently.



When we walk into the main entrance of the Museum, we will see the Visitor Services Desk to our left, the Museum Store to our right, and the Museum Café near the back of the room.



We will purchase an admission ticket before entering the galleries. We may have to wait in line before getting our ticket. That's OK. Some friendly staff will help us purchase our tickets.



We will have the option to drop off our bags and coats at this desk, too. Large bags and backpacks have to be dropped off here to protect artwork. The staff will keep our items safe while we are in the Museum.



We can take the stairs or an elevator to get to any floor. The Seventh Floor is open only on Saturdays and Sundays, so we can't visit this floor on weekdays. We can't go to the Sixth Floor because staff is working there.



Bathrooms are located in the Lower Level and on the Fifth Floor. There are drinking fountains near the bathrooms in the Lower Level if we get thirsty.



We will see security guards in the galleries. They are there to help protect the art. They are friendly.



Before we enter the galleries, a security guard will scan our ticket. There may be a line to get our ticket scanned. This is OK. Now we can go see some art!



There are some rules we need to follow while we are inside the Museum:

1. We can not touch the art.
2. We can not have food or drinks in the galleries or near the artwork.
3. We will walk slowly in the Museum and use our inside talking voices.
4. We will stay with our group. If we get lost from our group, we can tell a security guard or Museum staff member and they will help.



If we do get hungry or want a place to sit down, we can go to the Museum Café on the Ground Floor.



Some of the galleries may be bright and loud. Some may have low lighting and be quieter. Sometimes the galleries will be crowded. If we feel overwhelmed, we will tell our care partner.



The Museum is often more crowded and noisy on Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. This is when the Museum has pay-what-you-wish hours, so many people like to come then.



When we're ready to leave, we can pick up our items from coat check.



We will exit the Museum through the main door, the same one we entered through.



We hope to visit the New Museum again and see some more art! The exhibitions change three times per year, so the next time we come, we'll see something new.