

Social Story[™] Sensory Santa Sessions





Guidelines

A social story[™] uses storytelling techniques to explain new experiences and environments. Anyone who is nervous when attending a place or event for the first time may benefit from access to a social story.

We recommend you follow these guidelines.

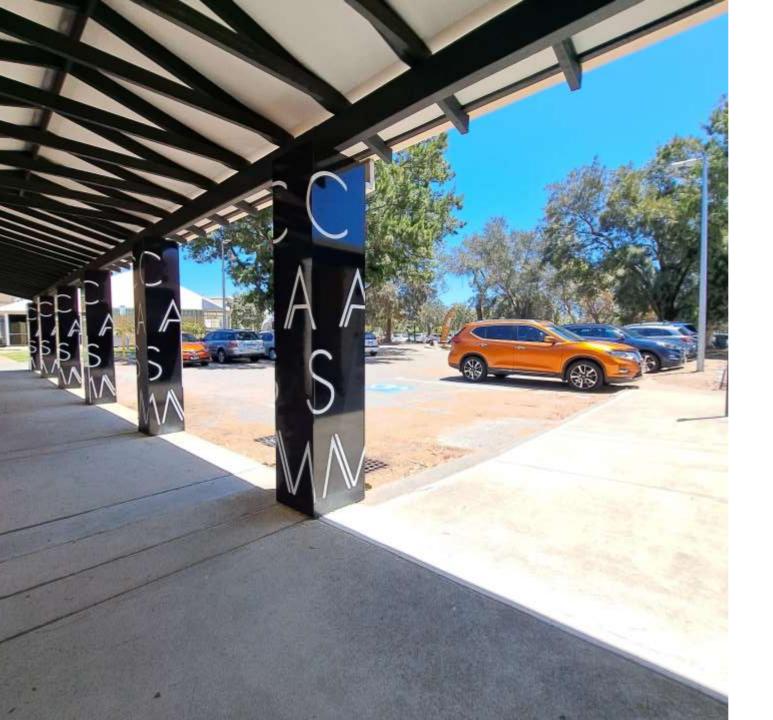
- Read the social story preferably two weeks in advance of visit.
- If reading to someone, help the person to understand key points.
- Once the visit has taken place, reread the social story to celebrate achievements.



I am going to a Sensory Santa session at the Contemporary Art Spaces Mandurah (CASM).



CASM is located at 63 Ormsby Terrace in Mandurah.



If I travel to CASM by car, there is a car park out the front of the CASM building.

There is one ACROD bay and a ramp from the carpark to the footpath that leads to the entrance of the building.

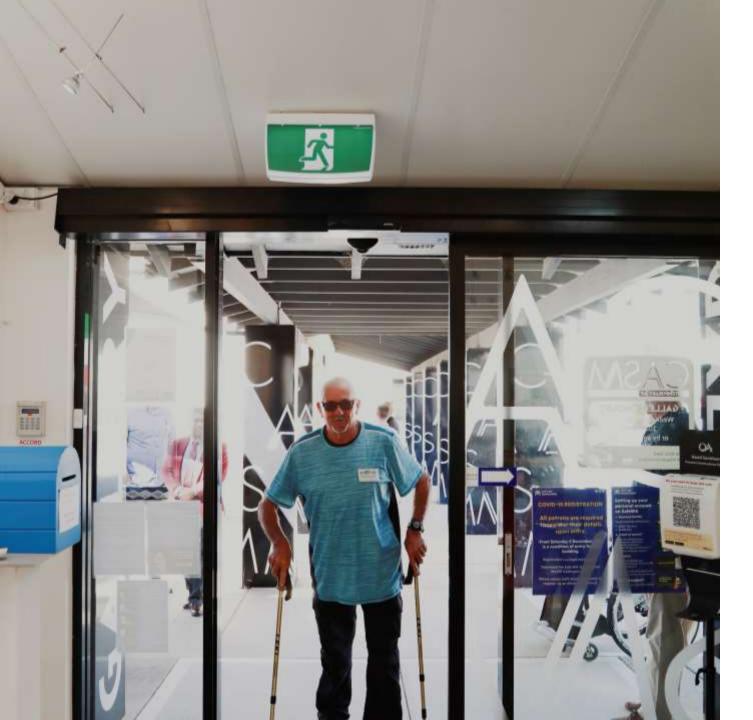


CASM is an art gallery, and it will be closed to the general public during the Sensory Santa sessions. The gallery will only be accessible to individuals who have made a booking for a Sensory Santa session.



If I arrive early, there are tables and chairs outside CASM. I can do some colouring activities while waiting.

There will also be some sensory resources and noise reduction earmuffs to borrow if I need to.



I will enter CASM through the automatic sliding doors. The entry has a flat surface with no steeps.



Inside the CASM building, there will be artwork displayed on shelves and walls. While I can enjoy looking at the artwork, touching is not allowed.

There will be soft music playing and dimmed lights. If I prefer, I can ask for the music to be turned off.



The Sensory Santa sessions will be in the CASM library. I will walk through the red area and turn right into the white area of the gallery.



This is a photo of the door that opens into the CASM library. When it is my turn to see Santa I can go in with my parents, support worker, friend or sibling.



There will be a couch and some chairs that I can sit on when I am visiting Santa.

This room will be decked out with Christmas decorations.

My caregiver / parent might take photos of me with Santa.



There will be books on display in the room that Santa is in because the room is used as an art library.



Opposite the room where Santa is, there are toilets available to use, including a wheelchair-accessible one



When it's time to finish my visit with Santa, one of Santa's helpers will let me know. After leaving CASM, I might want to explore the Mandurah Christmas Lights Trail.



I might have fun visiting Santa at one of the Sensory Santa sessions at CASM.

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