

GoMA Museum Pre-visit Information for Schools

This sheet provides information groups who have booked a facilitated or self-led visit to the museum

Venue Facilities at a glance:

Bus drop off point	City Centre location (George Square 2 minute walk)
Shops	Public library in the basement
Lift Access to all levels	Changing exhibitions
Disabled toilets	Roof top studio

Access

Our workshops often take place both within our roof top studio and also the Galleries. This means moving between different areas and levels of the museum. If any of your pupils have specific access requirements please let us know.

Activities and resources

Our sessions include a range of different learning activities. If you wish to find out more about the resources and equipment that will be used within a session, please contact the Bookings Hub who will pass on your enquiry to the Learning Assistants at that venue

Timings

If you have booked a workshop, the time stated on your bookings confirmation is the start time of the workshop. If you wish to have a snack before the session, or visit the shop afterwards, please factor this in to your bus schedule. Please note our venues do not open until 10am (11am on a Friday).

Fire evacuation

In the event of the fire alarm sounding, please follow the instructions from staff. Take your class register with you throughout your visit, especially if your class are split up in the galleries, so you can check off attendance at the designated muster point which is Virgin Bank at the north east corner of Royal Exchange Square.

Getting the most from your visit

Teachers and accompanying adults are expected to get involved during sessions. This not only supports group work, but allows teachers to connect between class and museum learning.

Why not bring a camera with you? Photographs are a great way of revisiting the learning back in class.

Back in class

We are always pleased to hear from pupils following a visit. You can tweet us on @Museum_Learning or post in hand-written letters.

It's GoMA's **21st birthday in 2017** and your pupils can get involved by submitting work inspired by their visit on our **Pupils Zone**. Email us images or Tweet with **#GoMA21**

Please check the Learning section of our website www.glasgowmuseums.com for a selection of post-visit resources.

Self-led groups

Classes should split into smaller groups with one adult assigned to each group. Be mindful of other visitors, including groups who are participating in a guided tour or workshop.

Pick up a floor plan to help you get around. Our Gallery Assistants can direct you to particular galleries or displays that are of interest.

We have the following self-led trails available:

- **Discover the World of Materials (ages 3- 10).** Pick up on arrival at the gallery.

Additional Notes:

Some exhibitions may have mature content. The pupils will not be taken into these exhibitions when on an official workshop but please be mindful if you are adding a self-lead element to your visit. Please ask staff for current exhibition information and advice.