Visiting the Queens Museum:

A social narrative for families and adult visitors
About the Queens Museum

I am going to visit the Queens Museum, a community museum dedicated to art, culture, and learning.

The Museum is located in Flushing Meadows Corona Park, Queens.

Xaviera Simmons
*Crisis Makes a Book Club*, 2022
Vinyl on the Queens Museum facade facing Grand Central Parkway
About the Queens Museum

The Queens Museum is a large building, I will notice very high ceilings inside and a lot of space to explore.

At the Queens Museum, I can learn about art, history, culture, and the communities around me.

Photo: David Sundberg
I can take the 7 train to get to the Queens Museum.

The walk from the subway station to the Museum will take me about 15 to 20 minutes.
Getting to the Queens Museum: By Train

I can exit the subway at either the 111th Street station…

...or the Mets-Willets Point station on the 7 train.
If I exit the 7 train at Mets-Willets Point, I can walk down the boardwalk past Citi Field Stadium and towards Flushing Meadows Corona Park.
Getting to the Queens Museum: By Train

Once I leave the boardwalk, I will see a large circular space at the entrance to the park.

I should stay to my right and walk down a long path with trees on either side. It’ll be a 15 minute walk to the Museum.
Getting to the Queens Museum: By Train

I will notice a large globe called the Unisphere.

The Museum is just past the Unisphere, to my right.
There are two entrances to the Museum. One entrance faces Flushing Meadows Corona Park…

…and the other entrance faces Grand Central Parkway.
Getting to the Queens Museum: By Train

I can check the signs outside. If the park entrance is closed, I can walk around the building, to the entrance on Grand Central Parkway.
Getting to the Queens Museum: By Car

If I am driving to the Queens Museum, I can get dropped off at the Grand Central Parkway entrance.
Getting to the Queens Museum: By Car

The Queens Museum also has two free parking lots near the Grand Central Parkway entrance, on either side of the Museum.

Parking lot to the left of the building (North) **closest to the entrance**

Parking lot to the right of the building (South)
When I Arrive

When I enter the museum, I will be greeted by Museum Experience Ambassadors (also known as M.E.A.) at the front desk.
When I Arrive
I will also see them in the galleries, they are wearing a badge. I can ask them for help if I have a question. I can ask them for information about the artworks, artists and museum programs.
When I Arrive

The Coat Check at the Queens Museum is currently closed. I will need to keep my coat and belongings with me during my visit.
When I Arrive

If I need to use the bathroom, I can find them at the Grand Central Parkway entrance. The one on my left has urinals and stalls, and the one on my right has stalls.
To Get to the Second Floor

To reach the second floor, I can take the glass stairs or the elevator which I can find by the information desk at the parkside entrance. I can also move through the ramp in the Panorama.
When I Arrive

If I am on the second floor of the Museum, there is a bathroom on either side of the theater entrance. I can use the bathroom that makes me feel most comfortable.
When I Arrive

If I am hungry I can buy a snack or a drink from the vending machine.

I should only eat or drink in the café space if it is open, and not in the galleries or anywhere else in the Museum. If the café is closed, I can eat outside in the park.
When I Arrive

The gift shop is a place where I can buy books, art supplies, toys, clothing, and local snacks.
There is so much I can explore at the Queens Museum.

I can visit the Panorama of the City of New York, which is in a large, curved room with a path that takes me around the entire space.
In the Galleries

The Panorama is a tiny version of the entire city of New York, including every street, park, and buildings built before 1992. A few recent buildings can be spotted on the Panorama, like Citi Field.

The room gets dark and the buildings light up to represent nighttime in New York City. The cycle happens every 16 minutes and you can see the different parks glowing.
In the Galleries

I can visit the Neustadt Collection of Tiffany Glass and learn about the life and work of Louis C. Tiffany.

I will notice lamps in all sizes and colors, with stained glass decorations in the shapes of flowers, plants, and animals.
In the Galleries

I can visit the other galleries to learn about contemporary artists and their artwork.

Charisse Pearlina Weston and Xaviera Simmons are featured artists in our Fall 2022 exhibitions. Our temporary exhibitions change twice a year. Learn more at queensmuseum.org/exhibitions
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“Christine Sun Kim: Time Owes Me Rest Again”, a massive mural at the center of the Museum!

Photo: Hai Zhang
In the Galleries

If I am feeling overwhelmed or anxious, or need a quiet space to relax, I can ask a Museum Experience Ambassador for help.
After My Visit

When I am ready to leave, I can exit through the same doors where I entered and enjoy the rest of the day.
Thank you for visiting the Queens Museum! Come back again soon!