COVID-SAFE OVERVIEW
Art Gallery of New South Wales

The health and safety of our visitors, members and staff is our top priority at the Art Gallery. Throughout the pandemic we have been led by NSW Health’s expert advice, NSW Government policies, and our own detailed risk assessments that reflect our particular operating conditions.

We keep visitors updated on current requirements at:

We will continue to provide extensive online offerings for those who can’t access the Art Gallery.

If you book a visit to the Art Gallery, you can be assured that we have procedures and policies in place to ensure the health and safety of students, educators and staff.

All excursions must be conducted in line with Department of Education policy, as well as the Art Gallery’s COVID-19 procedures and policies which align with NSW Health advice and our own venue-specific risk assessments.

Teachers, staff, students, parent helpers must not attend the Art Gallery if they:

- Feel unwell or, if in the last 7 days, have experienced cold or flu symptoms and not taken a negative RAT test.
- Have been in contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19 in the last 7 days

Anyone who has left self-isolation in the last 7 days is asked to wear a face mask.

In 2022, the Art Gallery will be offering self-guided visits and virtual programming only. This will be continuously reviewed if conditions evolve.

We are committed to providing a safe Art Gallery as our community continues to reopen and recover. Our safety measures include timed ticketing in major exhibitions, enhanced cleaning protocols, and regular RAT screening of public-facing staff.
What you can expect from us:

- The Art Gallery’s COVID-Safe policy reflects NSW Health advice and our own venue-specific risk assessments.
- All onsite staff are fully vaccinated.
- All staff will practice physical distancing from teachers and students.
- School group bookings are booked in advance and timed to reduce crowding.

What you need to do for your excursion:

- We strongly encourage all visitors to wear a face mask in the Art Gallery, especially where distancing is difficult.
- We’ve introduced a new ticketing system to make booking school visits to exhibitions easier. Now you can book a date and time online and pay in one transaction. Please book your tickets in advanced to minimise the risk of crowding.
- We ask you not to bring bags where possible.
- Students must be always accompanied by their teachers in all Gallery spaces to supervise physical distancing.
- A ratio of 1 teacher to 15 students is required.

As conditions continue to evolve, our COVID safety plans are subject to regular review and the above measures may be subject to change without notice. For more information, see here: https://www.artgallery.nsw.gov.au/information-visitors-covid-19/now/

Thank you for helping us keep the Art Gallery safe for you and your students, our visitors, and staff.

Information is correct as of February 2022.