

# Broadway Gallery Social Story

I am going to Broadway gallery in Letchworth, to see their current display.

The gallery displays, or exhibitions, are made up of different types of artwork for me to look at. Or I might just go to enjoy the space and some of the activities left out for me to enjoy in my own time.

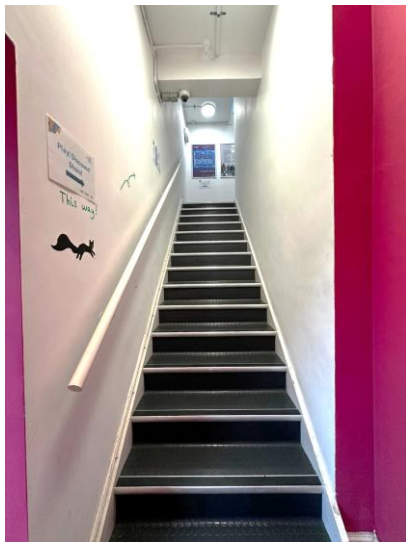
1. When I arrive at the entrance of the gallery, it will look like this:



2. There are two ways of going upstairs to the gallery. I could take the lift:



3. Or I could take the stairs, which go up and around the corner. I might spot some pictures on the walls as I go.



4. This is what it will look like when I step out of the lift:



5. Or it will look like this as I get to the top of the stairs:



**6. Whether I arrive by lift or stairs, I will turn left to arrive in the first gallery space – this is the green seated area.**



**7. This is the area with the welcome desk. I will see some chairs and tables and long windows. This is where I might see some people working, drawing, playing games or just relaxing with a drink from the kitchen.**





I have arrived at Broadway Gallery!

One of the members of staff, or a volunteer will meet me soon and say hello. They are all very friendly!



8. And there is no need to worry if I can't spot them at first, as they might be in another part of the gallery but will be back here soon. I might even hear the sounds of an art workshop taking place in the space nearby.

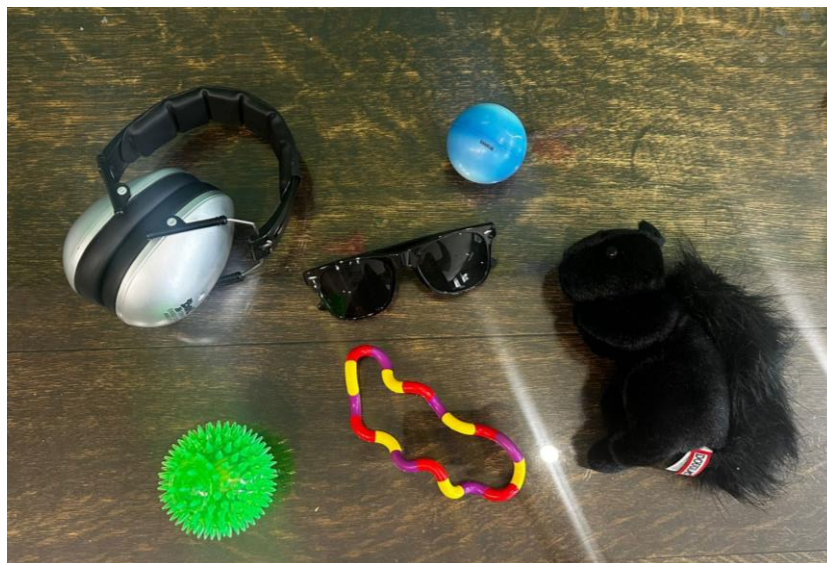
I can take a seat and wait here to ask them a question or, if I want to, I can explore.



**9. If I feel a little bit anxious there is no need to worry, there are 2 sensory bags with ear defenders and other items (including a squishy ball, a liquid timer, a spikey ball, a fidget tangle, sunglasses and a cuddly squirrel) on the left just where I came in.**



**10. If they are currently being used, I can always ask for one of the other sensory bags (including one kept behind the welcome desk).**





11. If I have come to see the exhibition, I will go left past the shop and down the stairs, into the gallery space.



12. When I get there, I will be in the middle gallery space. This might look different to the photo as there will be a new exhibition.



**13. There is also a long gallery space to the left.**

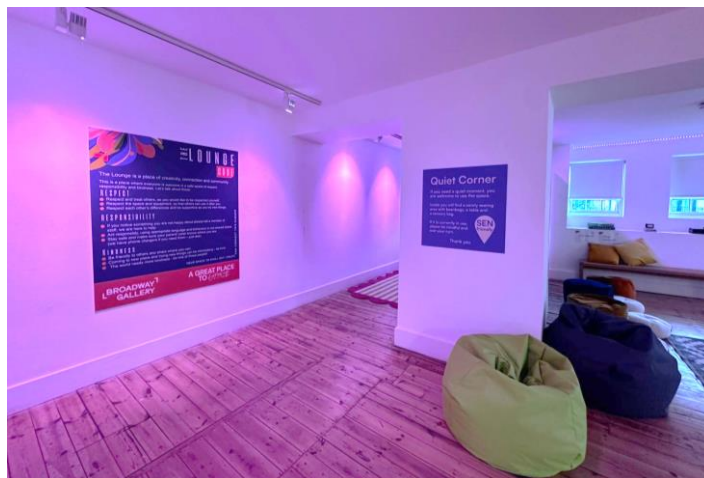


**And a gallery space to the right.**



**I can explore these spaces as I wish.**

**Sometimes it might look a little different as the colour of the walls or the lighting might change for an exhibition.**



Sometimes, the gallery might be busy if there is a special event on, but I can still look around. I can ask for a sensory bag with ear defenders if I need it.



14. And if I need the toilet, these are very close by too. I can find these by walking through the long gallery space on the left.



15. There are male and female toilets, as well as an accessible toilet (gender neutral) which includes a baby change station.





**16. All the staff are here to help me so that I can enjoy my visit to Broadway Gallery. All I need to do is ask if I am worried.**

**And if I don't want to join or talk to others, that is always OK. I can find somewhere comfortable to sit and stay as long as I like.**



**17. And I can get a drink and a biscuit if I would like from the community kitchen.**



Broadway Gallery is a fun place to be and I can ask for help whenever I need it. There are people there to support me. The Broadway gallery is a place for everyone.

