

Visual Storyboard

How to find us

Welcome to our **Visual Storyboard!**

We have made this visual guide to help you find your way to Talbot Rice Gallery and around our building. In this guide you will find:

- What to expect when getting to Talbot Rice Gallery.
- Images of what our spaces look like.
- The facilities and resources available during your visit.

We're aware that our building has some restrictions. **Please note that the gallery does not currently have level access due to replacement of the lift.**

If you need assistance, please speak to our Volunteers on arrival or get in touch with us: **info.talbotrice@ed.ac.uk**

Your feedback is important to us. Is this document helpful for you? If you have any comments or suggestions on how we can improve our access resources, please contact us via the options above.



Old College Entrance from South Bridge

Talbot Rice Gallery is in The University of Edinburgh's Old College. One way to enter is through the main Old College gates from South Bridge [<https://rb.gy/926fiv>].



Talbot Rice Gallery downstairs foyer

This is the gallery's main foyer (Level 0).

Here you can take the stairs (42 steps in total) on your right up to our Main Entrance (Level 2). You will arrive at the Welcome Desk.



Talbot Rice Gallery within Old College

When you enter through the gates you will find us in the far-left corner where you will see four pillars displaying our exhibition banners. After 14 steps, you will enter the gallery's main foyer (Level 0) through the passageway/corridor. It is the second door on the left.

Unfortunately our lift is currently out of service.

We sincerely apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

The University have prioritised the replacement, but it is a lengthy process. We sadly anticipate that this lift will remain inaccessible well into 2026.

If there is any way our team can help you to use the stairs, please call us on 0131 650 2210. If you would like personal notifications about the progress, please email info.talbotrice@ed.ac.uk



Talbot Rice Gallery from West College Street

Our second entrance is on West College Street [<https://rb.gy/moz6cn>]. You can find it on the cobbled street between South College Street and Chambers Street [<https://rb.gy/04siya>]. Here there is a narrow ramp leading to the gallery's main foyer (Level 0) through the passageway. It is the first door on your right.



Welcome Desk

This is our Welcome Desk. If you take the stairs, you will be greeted by one of our Volunteers.

It is ok to speak to them or ask them questions. If you need anything just ask!



Exhibition Guides

We have free exhibition guides readily available for all visitors to take with them throughout their visit. You can find these stocked up at the Welcome Desk for each exhibition.

If you require a large print version of the exhibition guide, please refer to the duckett across the Welcome Desk.

There are also Activity Sheets for ages 5+ available here for your visit

Welcome Desk Resources

At the desk you will find:

- A BSL (British Sign Language) introduction video to the Gallery.
- Cloakroom for coats, umbrellas, and large bags.
- Folding chairs to take around the gallery.
- Gallery wheelchair (available upon request).

On the accessibility wall directly next to the desk, you will find:

- Exhibition / large print guides.
- Transcription documents.
- Our Sensory Kit.
- A Sensory Map of the gallery.
- Fidget toys.
- Audio recordings of wall vinyl and label texts.
- Ear defenders and ear plugs.
- Book lights.

The first gallery that you will encounter is our White Gallery. If you follow the corridor, you will find our Gallery Shop, toilets and then our Georgian Gallery.





Gallery Shop

After entering the corridor past the Welcome Desk, you will find our Gallery Shop.

If you would like to purchase anything, please speak to a volunteer. You can pay with cash or card.



White Gallery

The layout and colour of the White Gallery changes depending on our exhibition. Our current exhibition *The dead don't go until we do* brings together works by four artists: Małgorzata Mirga-Tas, Amol K Patil, Kang Seung Lee and MADEYOULOOK.

The White Gallery is a large space with various textile collages by artist Małgorzata Mirga-Tas.

The space is bright and fairly quiet. This space can get busy and carry an echo.



Toilets

Our Toilets are in the corridor past the Gallery Shop and before the stairs into the Georgian Gallery.

In the women's toilets, you will find two cubicles, sanitary bins in each cubicles, and free tampons and sanitary pads.

In the men's toilets, you will find two urinals. If you require a seated toilet, please use the Accessible / Gender neutral toilet.

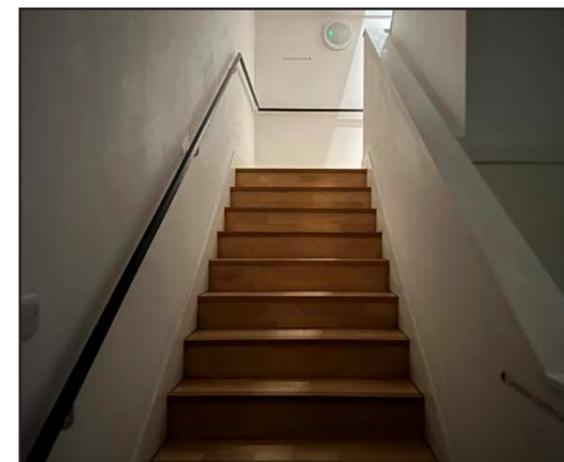
In the Accessible / Gender neutral toilet, you will find one cubicle, a baby changing table, a sanitary bin, an assistance alarm cord, a handrail, and free tampons and sanitary pads.



Side Gallery

In our Side Gallery, you will find more work by the Małgorzata Mirga-Tas.

The room is dimly lit. This is a small space and can be quiet.



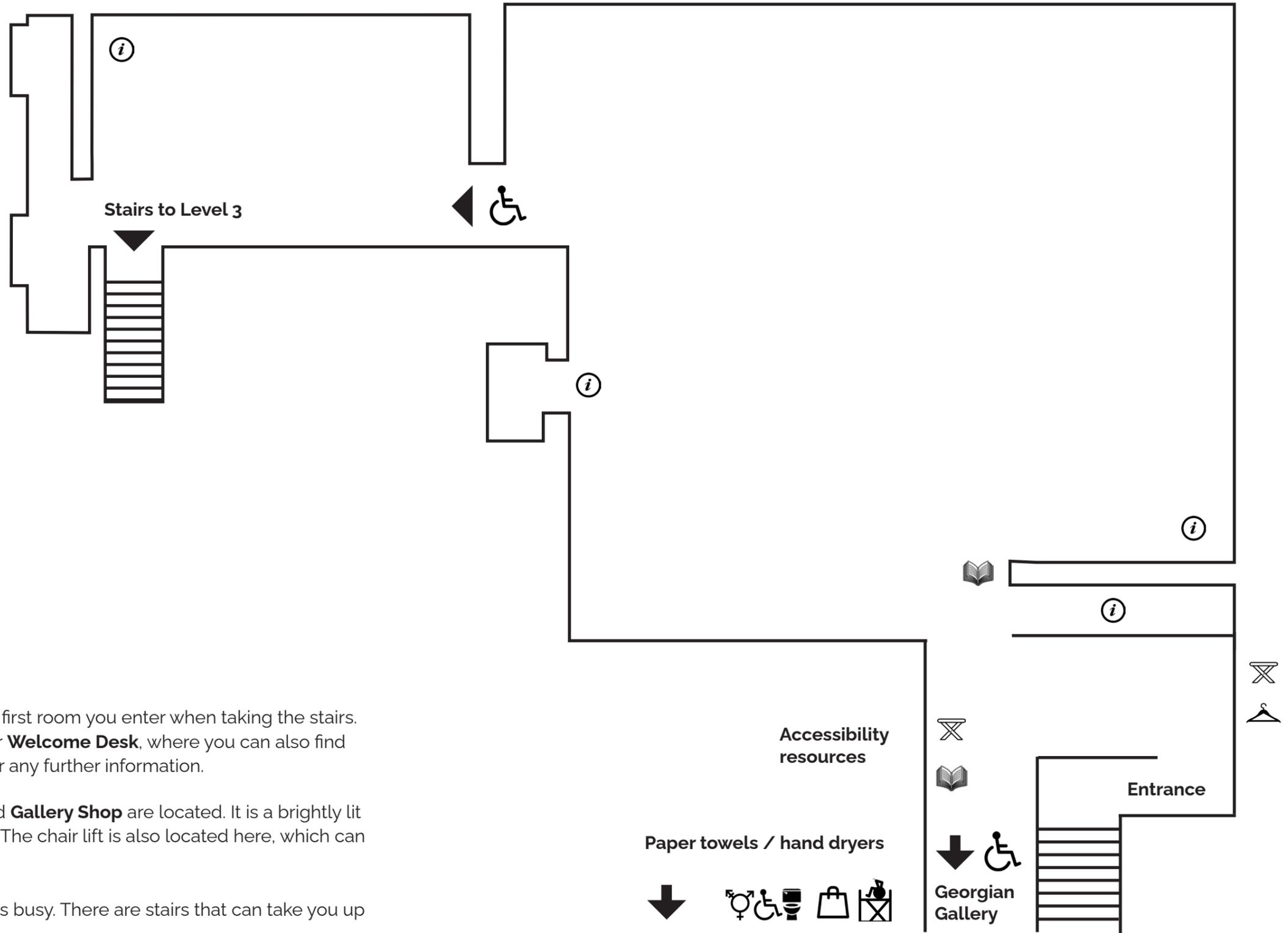
Stairs to Level 3

Past the Side Gallery, there are stairs (24 steps in total) leading up to the Upper Gallery, White Gallery Balcony and Round Room (Level 3).

Level 2 White Gallery and Side Gallery

Key

-  Coats and bag storage
-  Toilets
-  Gallery Shop
-  Welcome Desk / Volunteer
-  Chair lift
-  Wheelchair accessible
-  Fire evacuation route
-  Exhibition Guide
-  Portable chairs



The **White Gallery** is located on Level 2 and is the first room you enter when taking the stairs. You will be greeted by one of our Volunteers at our **Welcome Desk**, where you can also find exhibition guides, portable chairs, and ask them for any further information.

You will also find our hallway where our **Toilets** and **Gallery Shop** are located. It is a brightly lit space and can have groups of people waiting in it. The chair lift is also located here, which can take you up to the **Georgian Gallery**.

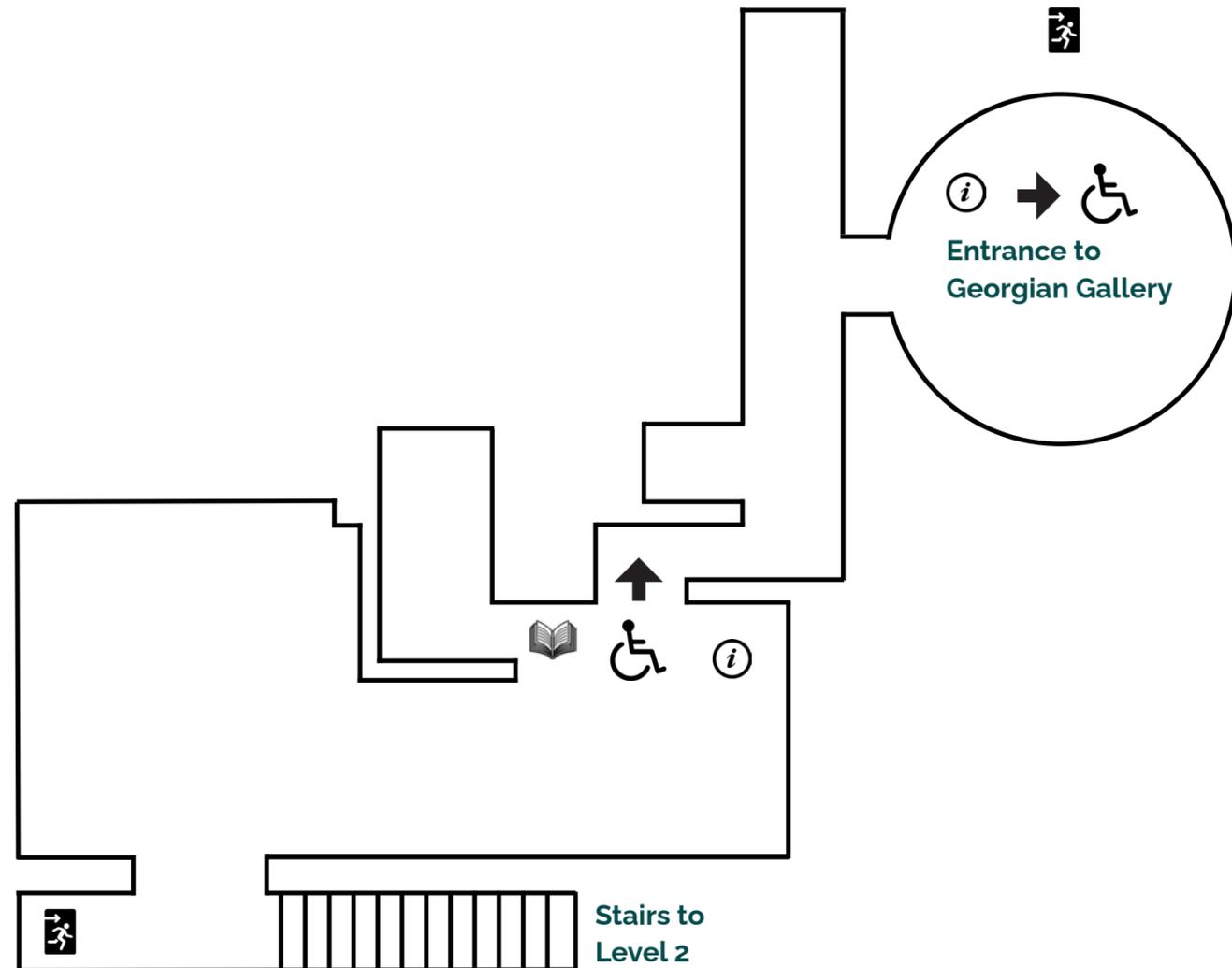
The **Side Gallery** is a smaller room and is often less busy. There are stairs that can take you up to Level 3 on the far left of the room.

Level 3

Upper Gallery, White Gallery Balcony and Round Room

The **Upper Gallery** is located on Level 3 and can be accessed via the stairs from the **Side Gallery** (Level 2). It is a dark space with a projector, screen, sound, sculptures and drawings lit by spotlights.

Past the Upper Gallery is the **White Gallery Balcony**, a balcony with a view over the White Gallery. It is an exhibition space, and it leads to our **Round Room**.



Upper Gallery

This is our Upper Gallery. This space has a projector, projecting a film onto the wall. There are benches here for seating.

This room is unevenly lit, with some spotlights and the light from the projector. The audio from one film is fairly quiet.



White Gallery Balcony

Past the Upper Gallery is the White Gallery Balcony. It is a balcony with a view over the main White Gallery. There is text by Amol K Patil on the wall. There is a sofa at the end of the White Gallery Balcony.

The White Gallery Balcony leads into the Round Room from a door on the right. It can be narrow and busy in this space.



Round Room

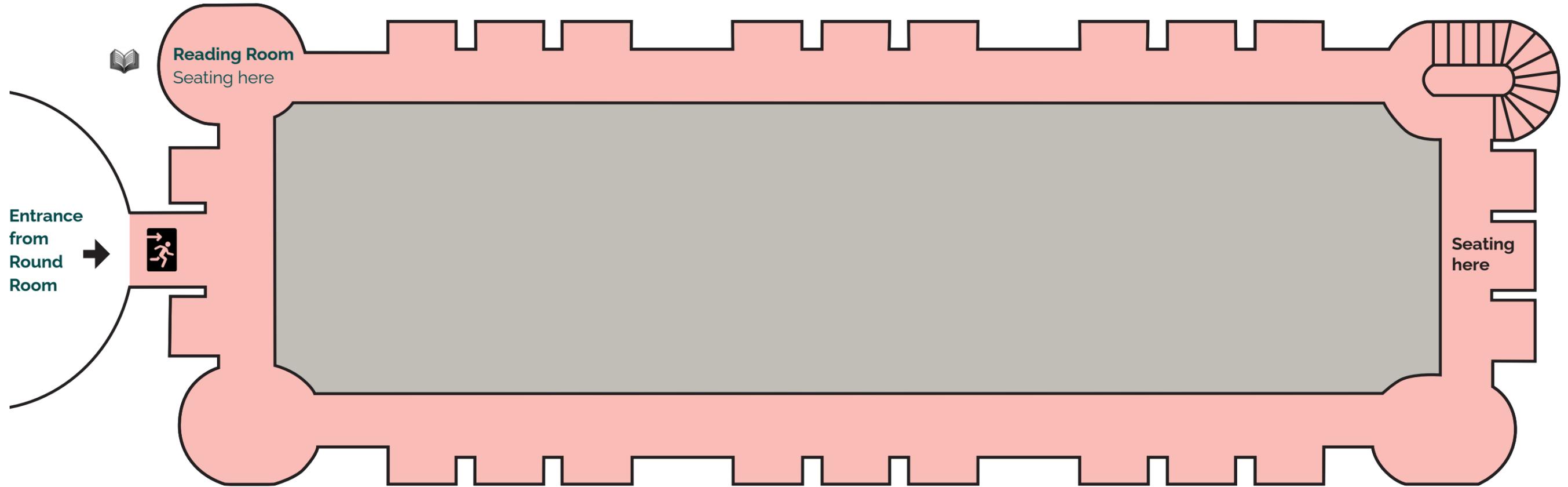
The Round Room is a circular space with a dome skylight above head. It is accessed from the White Gallery Balcony or the Georgian Gallery Balcony. Here you will find works by Kang Seung Lee.

This room is brightly lit. It can be quiet in here but it can also get busy. There is no seating here. This is also where you can gain step free access to the Georgian Gallery Balcony.

Level 3

Georgian Gallery Balcony

Please note:
Narrow stairs
to Level 2



The **Georgian Gallery Balcony** overlooks the lower Georgian Gallery on Level 3. It has a narrow passageway with a width of 1.94m (from the wall to the railing).

There are seats available at the far end of the balcony past the stairs.

*Step-free access to the Georgian Gallery Balcony is through the Round Room only.

Narrow: 1.94m in width



Georgian Gallery Balcony

The Georgian Gallery Balcony overlooks the Georgian Gallery. It has a narrow passageway with a width of 1.94m (from the wall to the railing). Turning left when you enter, you will find a reading room. On the Georgian Gallery Balcony you will find works by MADEYOULOOK. The space is dimly lit, and the artworks are spotlit. There is loud audio playing from the work below. Additionally, there is bench seating at the far end of the balcony, next to the stairs.



Georgian Gallery

You can enter our lower Georgian Gallery at the end of the corridor past the Toilets. There are five steps up to this gallery and we have a chair lift available for wheelchair users. Please speak to a volunteer if you require the lift.

There are also small folding chairs and exhibition guides available at the entrance to take on your visit.



Stairs to the Georgian Gallery

In the back left corner of the Georgian Gallery there is a spiral staircase (22 steps in total) leading up to the Georgian Gallery Balcony.

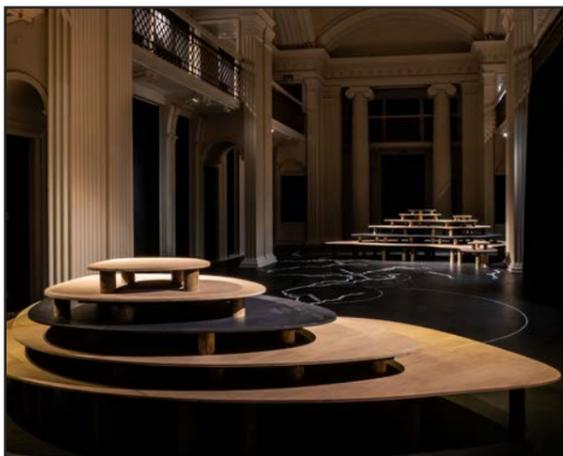
*If you require step free access, speak to a Volunteer. Step-free access is available through the Round Room,



Corridor: Toilets and Gallery Shop

Once you exit the Georgian Gallery, you are back in the corridor where our toilets and gallery shop are!

To exit the gallery, you can walk past the Welcome Desk and take the stairs down to the foyer.



Georgian Gallery

This is our Georgian Gallery. Here you can see an installation and sound work by MADEYOULOOK.

The space is dimly lit, with loud audio playing throughout the entire room.

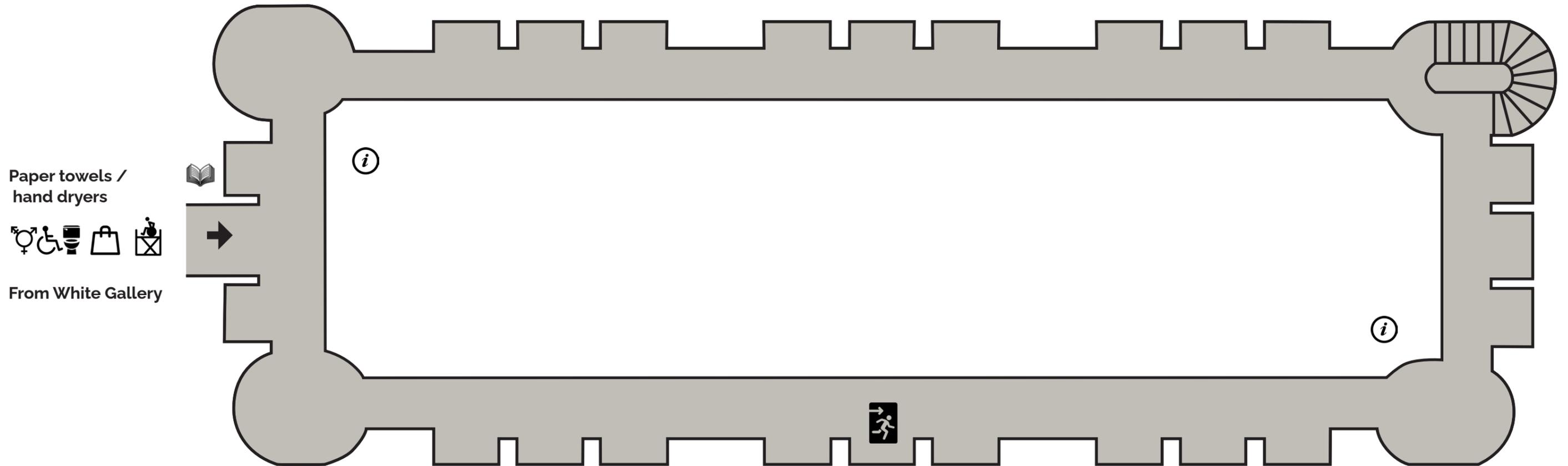
You can walk on the floor painting and you can sit on the installation.



Level 2

Georgian Gallery

Please note:
Narrow stairs
to Level 3



You can enter our **Georgian Gallery** at the end of the corridor past the Toilets and Gallery Shop on Level 2. There are 5 steps up to this gallery and we have a chair lift available for wheelchair users. Please speak to a Volunteer if you require the lift.

In the back left corner of the Georgian Gallery there is a spiral staircase (22 steps in total) leading up to the **Georgian Gallery Balcony** on Level 3.

The Toilets and Gallery Shop are located in the corridor. You will find the Welcome Desk on the other end of this corridor.