

## Social Narrative: Visiting the Museum

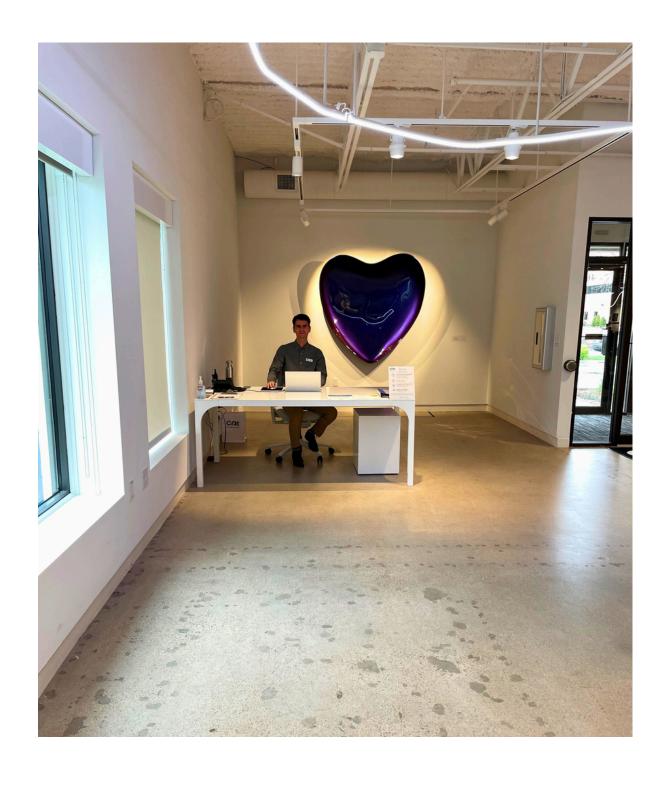


Today I will be visiting the Cafesjian Art Trust Museum.

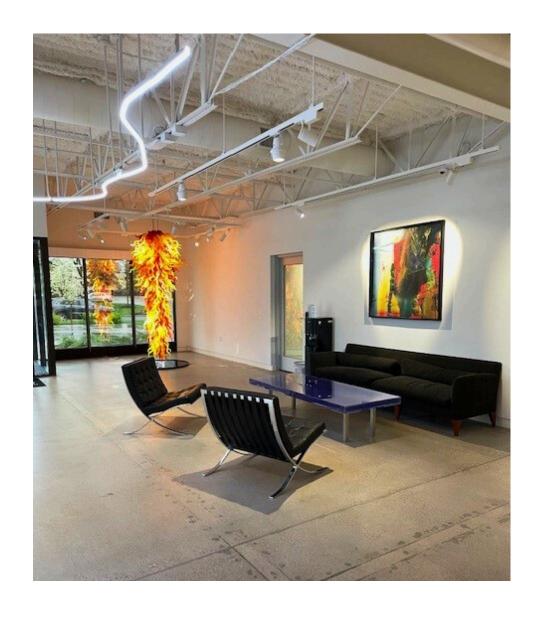
The Cafesjian Art Trust Museum is also known as the CAT. It opened in 2022 to share modern and contemporary art with people just like me.



When I arrive at the CAT, I will enter through the front doors and walk down the entrance hallway. I will see colorful windows and bright lights.



I will check in at the front desk. A museum staff person will greet me.



If I need to drink water, I will do that in the lobby before going any further into the building. Food and drinks are not allowed near artwork or near library books.

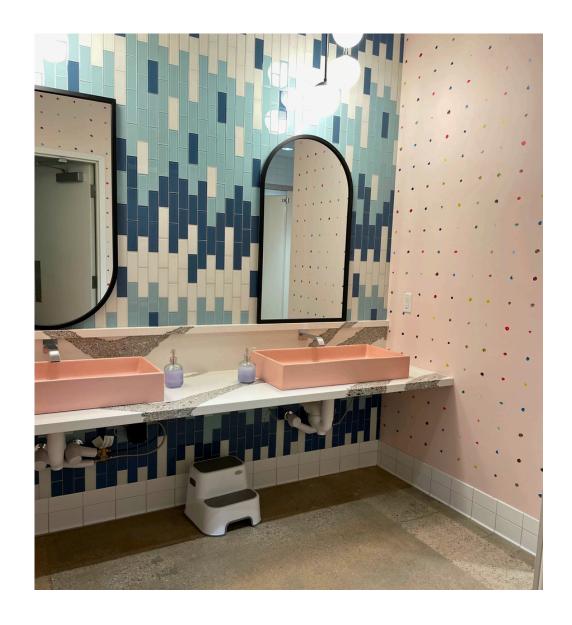


I can use the books in the library. I can take books off the shelves and leave them on the big table when I am done.

I can only touch the books. I will not touch any of the art sitting on the shelves or displayed on the walls.



I can also relax and play in the family nook behind the library. This space has kids' books, a light table, a magnet board, and a cozy rug to sit on.



The toilets in the bathroom do not automatically flush.

I can use the plastic stool stored under the sink if I need help reaching the faucet. The soap I will use has a strong perfume smell. The faucets are automatic. The water is not too hot and not too cold.

I will dry my hands with paper towels. The bathrooms do not have electric hand dryers.



If I am joining a tour, I will gather with the rest of the group. There may be as many as 25 other people on the tour with me.

A friendly tour guide will tell us about the artwork. The tour guide will explain what we are going to see and remind us of the museum rules.

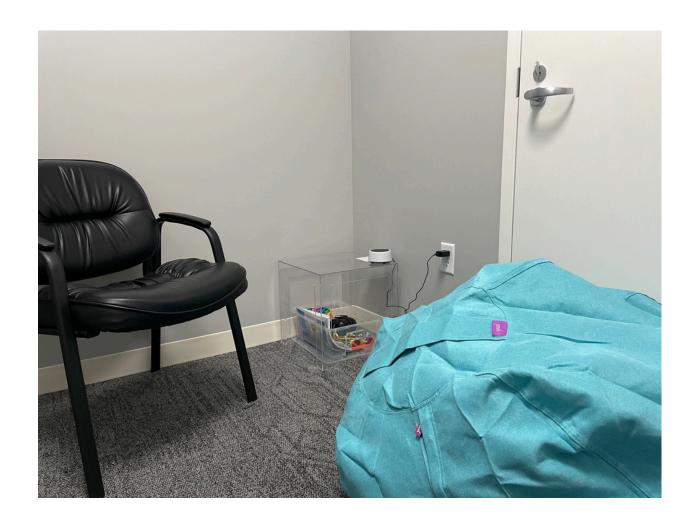
I will remember not to touch the art. I will walk slowly and carefully. I will use my inside voice.



In the gallery, the walls are dark purple and the lights are focused on the paintings. There are benches to sit on.

While I am in the gallery, I can ask questions and make observations. I can share my ideas.

There are pencils, paper, and clipboards I can use for drawing and writing.



If I need a private space, I can go into the small Sensory Room near the library. The Sensory Room has a bean bag chair, dimmable lights, a sound machine, and fidgets.

When I'm ready to go, I can leave the CAT. I hope I can come back again soon!