

Access Guide

Night Visions

Illuminate Adelaide

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What is an Access Guide?

This guide will show you what to expect when you come to Illuminate Adelaide's Night Visions in the Adelaide Botanic Garden.

We provide access information around wheelchair accessibility, sensory information, as well as details around the event itself and Relaxed Sessions.

You can read through this before you go so that you can get to know the path, the facilities, and who to ask for help.

This guide was created in collaboration between Illuminate Adelaide and Access2Arts.

For more information, please contact Illuminate Adelaide:

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What is Night Visions?

Night Visions is an all-new after dark experience exclusively conceived by Illuminate Adelaide, within the Adelaide Botanic Garden.

It is an experience fuelled by cutting-edge light, lasers, projections and sound, where you will journey along an extraordinary one-way path where the latest in immersive technology reimagines the beauty of nature into sensory realms of colour and sound.

Featuring installations from local and international artists in one collective vision, venture beyond the familiar and discover what parallel worlds await on the other side.

Relaxed Sessions are available on Monday 14 July, with reduced capacity, lowered volume, and reduced haze.

Image: Tyr Liang Xplorer Studio



Alt Text: Three individuals stand together, illuminated by a vibrant purple light in the background.



Alt Text: People walking through a vibrant forest illuminated by colourful laser lights.

Tickets

You will require a purchased ticket to enter *Night Visions* in Adelaide Botanic Garden. Book tickets online here: <https://www.illuminateadelaide.com/program/season-2025/night-visions/>

Illuminate Adelaide will have a box office set up at the main entrance to the Adelaide Botanic Garden on North Terrace. This will be staffed during *Night Visions* opening times.

Companion Card

Illuminate Adelaide honours the Companion Card scheme and card holders are entitled to a second ticket to *Night Visions* for their companion at no cost.

Please email us at hello@illuminateadelaide.com or call **1300 496 623** with your order number, and companion card number and we will add a ticket to your booking.

Assistance Animals

Assistance dogs are welcome in Adelaide Botanic Garden.



Alt Text: Two figures stand facing a striking blue vortex, their postures suggesting fascination with the mesmerizing phenomenon.

Entrance

Entrance to *Night Visions* is only via the Main Gate on North Terrace.

[Find directions.](#)

The Main Gate at the Adelaide Botanic Garden is 1.5+ meters wide.

Your tickets will be scanned by staff further down the pathway as you enter the gate. You may need to queue before having your ticket scanned. Queuing will occur inside the Main Gate of Adelaide Botanic Garden.



Alt Text: Groups of people gather at night in front of a bright "Night Visions" sign at the entry to Adelaide Botanic Garden Main Gate. Red-lit trees create an eventful atmosphere.

Accessible Parking

We recommend East Terrace Street Parking, with 4 accessible carparks on East Terrace opposite the Rundle Park public toilets. It is approximately 140m distance from this accessible parking to the Main Gate, crossing East and North Terrace at the traffic lights.

The nearest paid accessible parking is available at [UPark, Frome Street](#), which is approximately 400m distance to the Main Gate, by crossing the North Terrace traffic lights.

There are other accessible carparks available around the Garden, but these are at a greater distance from the Main Gate, as you travel along Hackney Road:

- Rose Garden Carpark has 3 accessible carparks (850m distance from the Main Gate), and the Wine Centre Carpark has 1 accessible carpark (600m distance from the Main Gate).
- Plane Tree Drive has 4 accessible carparks at the Friends Gate (1.2km from the Main Gate), and 2 accessible carparks at the Conservatory Gate (1km distance to the Main Gate).

For more information, see City of Adelaide's [accessible parking guide](#).

Public Transport

Adelaide Metro offers a dedicated bus, train, and tram network. If you are coming from the city or North Adelaide, there is a Free City Connector bus service, the 98A and 98C.

Services operate every 15 minutes on weekdays and 30 minutes on weekends. Click [here](#) for route map and timetable.

Please consider in your planning that the last Free City Connector bus on weekdays runs at 7:00pm, with slightly longer run-times on Friday and Saturday until 9:00pm. For all bus timetables, visit the Adelaide Metro website [here](#).

There is also a **Free City Tram**. The closest tram stop is the "Botanic Gardens" stop on North Terrace.

Taxis

The nearest taxi rank to Adelaide Botanic Garden is located on East Terrace just south of Botanic Lane. See Taxi Council of SA's taxi rank map [here](#).

Find accredited passenger booking services [here](#).

Road Closures

Please note there will be a road closure along Rundle Street, from Frome Street to East Terrace, on Friday and Saturday nights, which may impact your travel plans.

Cycling

If travelling to the city for Illuminate Adelaide by bike, the best routes available include the Torrens Linear Park and cycle paths along all major arterial roads.

There are public bike racks available outside the Adelaide Botanic Garden Main Gate on North Terrace ([Map ref. G3](#)).

City cycling maps are available [here](#).
Read more about cycling in Adelaide City [here](#).

Image: Tyr Liang Xplorer Studio



Alt Text: A couple stands on a bridge in a forest, illuminated by vibrant red and blue laser lights. The scene is futuristic and enchanting, with a sense of wonder.

Getting around



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Site Overview

The site is very large, and it can take some time and energy to get from one installation to another. The event is a curated one-way linear path, meaning you will move in one direction that is guided by signage.

To visit each installation you will need to cover approximately 2.03 kilometres of pathways. If you use a wheelchair, or have mobility or sensory requirements, there may be some opportunities to bypass certain installations. Staff members will be present to assist and direct you.

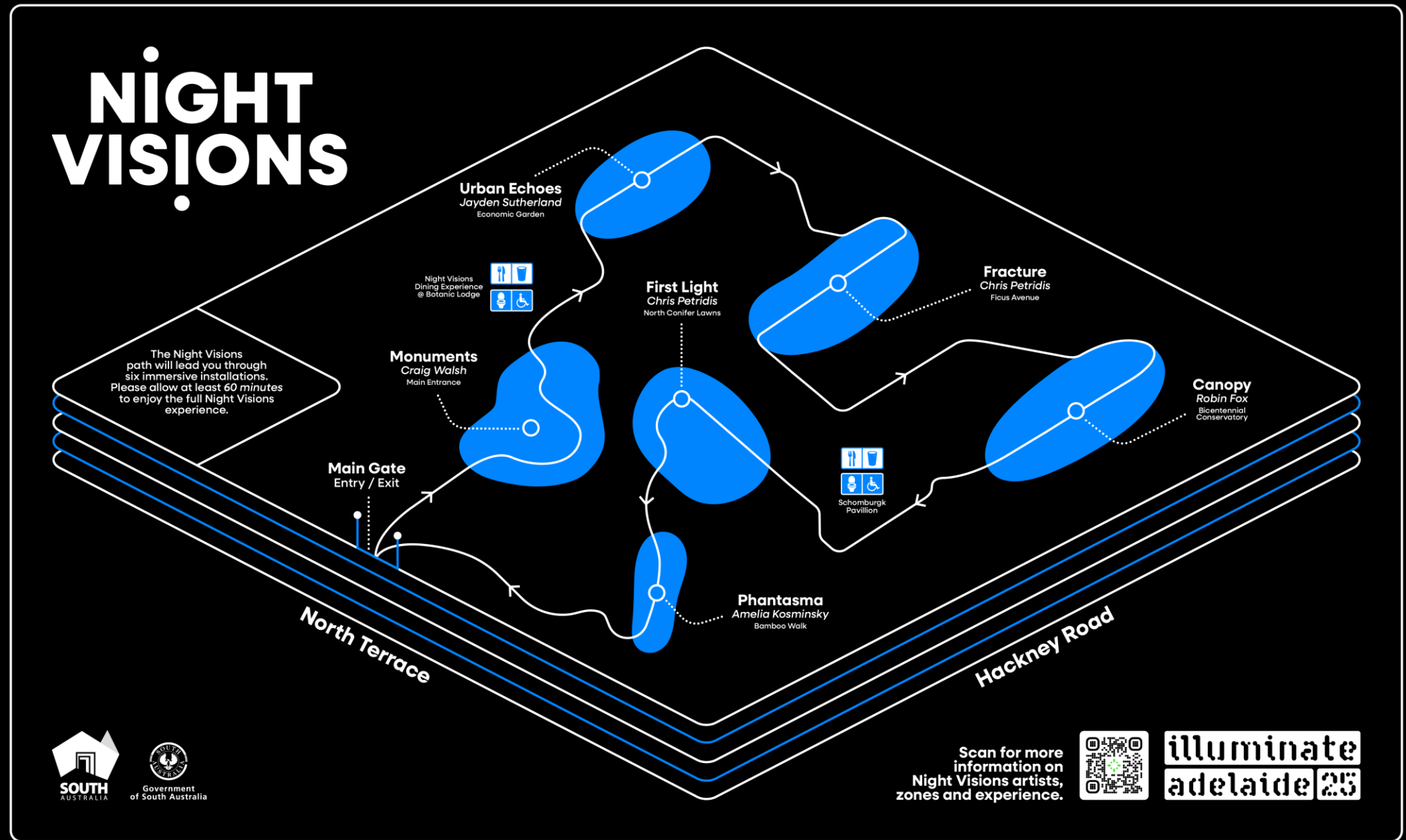
Depending on whether you visit each artwork and how long you take to look at them, we would recommend allowing at least 60 minutes for the full *Night Visions* experience.

We recommend you plan your trip to *Night Visions* with this in mind.

A *Night Visions* map is available on our [website](#), and within this guide.

Night Visions Map

Ticket buyers will receive the **Night Visions map** in an informational email, before the event.



Warnings

Please be advised this event includes smoke, haze, dark pathways, surround sound, uneven terrain, and flashing lights. For Relaxed Sessions information, see page 20.

This event will go ahead rain or shine. We recommend wearing adequate clothing and footwear suited to the time of year and weather conditions on the night. There is no cloakroom for this event.

When it is wet in the gardens, some areas can become slippery, so please exercise care.

Experiencing Night Visions

Night Visions is an after-dark, outdoor experience.

The event features six installations which can be experienced whilst moving through them, looking at them from a designated path, or by remaining stationary in a zone to observe. All six installations include varying forms of light, music, and haze.

It is a one-way, linear, mainly bitumen, pathway. However, some paths are on gravel, sawdust, or boardwalk.

Paths and Lighting

The *Night Visions* route through Adelaide Botanic Garden is simple to navigate, with paved and bitumen paths throughout. There are also some gravel or sawdust pathways.

There is a small section of the path that may not be easily accessible by wheelchair and can be easily bypassed. Front of House staff will be stationed along these routes to assist patrons requiring directions or assistance.

Most of the Garden is flat, though there are some uneven and downhill/uphill sloping pathways, like the bridge towards the Australian Forest and the boardwalk in the Bicentennial Conservatory. All paths are marked on the map.

While there will be festoon and path lighting, visibility will be reduced, and the site can be very dark in some areas.

There will be lights where the food, bars, toilets and other amenities are.

Wheelchair Access

The *Night Visions* route through Adelaide Botanic Garden is simple to navigate, with paved and bitumen paths throughout. While there is a small section of the path that may not be easily accessible by wheelchair, it can be easily bypassed. See specific information about pathways below. Front of House staff will be stationed along these routes to assist patrons requiring directions or assistance.

Urban Echoes by Jayden Sutherland, has a compacted, loose gravel pathway. Front of House staff can assist with a bypass route, if a bitumen pathway is required.

Fracture by Chris Petridis, follows Ficus Avenue through a corridor of Moreton Bay fig trees. This pathway can get quite dark and crowded. There is also a white light that can be blinding here.

The path between *Fracture* and *Canopy*, leads to the Australian Forest. The ground is uneven compacted gravel, with a sloping decline leading to a section of deep gravel. Following, there is a wooden cross-bridge and the path transitions into sawdust/bark-chip. It **may not be suitable for wheelchair users** and can be bypassed on a sealed bitumen pathway.

Canopy by Robin Fox, is within the Bicentennial Conservatory. There is a boardwalk with a gradual incline and decline, with the area getting quite dark.

Across the site, some paths are uneven, with variations in ground surfaces and possible crowding.

Sensory Information

Night Visions is a high visual content event featuring music score with no dialogue.

Night Visions displays feature moving lights, surround sound, smoke, haze, and some are accompanied by flashing lights and lasers.

The event can get busy and crowded, which may be an overwhelming experience for some people. There will be lights, sound, many people, and a variety of smells and textures. Relaxed Sessions are available on Monday 14 July. Read more about these sessions on page 20.

Queuing may be required before having your ticket scanned by staff. Queuing will occur within the Main Gate of Adelaide Botanic Garden.

Please note that there is a flight path over the Adelaide Botanic Garden.

Image: Tyr Liang Xplorer Studio



Alt Text: A tree is illuminated to resemble a human face with a beard, set against a dark, cloudy night. A statue stands beneath, creating a mystical atmosphere.

Sensory Areas

Lower sensory areas:

- *Monuments* by Craig Walsh
- *Fracture* by Chris Petridis (medium sensory)
- *First Light* by Chris Petridis
- *Phantasma* by Amelia Kosminsky

Higher sensory areas with strobing effects:

- *Urban Echoes* by Jayden Sutherland
- *Canopy* by Robin Fox

Relaxed Sessions

Illuminate Adelaide is proud to offer *Night Visions* relaxed sessions. Book a relaxed session [here](#).

Relaxed sessions will take place on Monday 14 July, with sessions every 15 minutes from 5:30pm.

These sessions are specifically designed to make artist installations and zones more accessible for neurodiverse audiences, the Autistic community, and individuals with sensory needs.

Relaxed sessions will include reduced capacity, lowered volume, and reduced haze. Please note, some installations will include strobing effects. These will be identified with “Higher Sensory Zone” signage, and there will be a bypass route available. A Visual Story will be available for these sessions, prior to Monday 14 July.

Image: Tyr Liang Xplorer Studio



Alt Text: A group of people stand at a railing, observing vibrant, multicoloured laser lights cutting through a dark forest scene, creating a magical atmosphere.

Facilities and Spaces



Alt Text: Silhouettes of three people stand beneath glowing blue and green laser lights forming a tunnel in a dark, misty forest, creating a mysterious atmosphere.

Facilities

Accessible Toilets

Accessible toilets along the *Night Visions* pathway include:

The Lodge

2 unisex accessible toilets (automatic sliding door, 96cm wide)

Schomburgk Pavilion

1 unisex accessible toilet (push in door, 103cm wide)

Parenting Facilities

All bathrooms include a baby change table.



Alt Text: Partially open metal door revealing a clean public restroom inside a brick building. Visible sink, mirror, and the wall has a "baby change" sign.

Food and Drink

Schomburgk Pavilion

The Schomburgk Pavilion will be open throughout the evening to purchase food and drink options during your *Night Visions* experience.

The Schomburgk Pavilion has a ramp, step free access, and ample room to navigate around the outside seating area.

Dining Experience @ Botanic Lodge

Book a Dining Experience at Botanic Lodge. Nestled on the gardens' lakefront between key *Night Visions* installations, The Lodge is providing a special menu curated exclusively for Illuminate Adelaide.

To book, and for more information click [here](#).

Please note there are no Child Under 4 or Companion Card bookings available, and seatings are not available on Monday 14 July.

Restaurant Botanic

Restaurant Botanic has ramp access. Bookings are required via their website.

Front of House Staff

Front of House (FOH) staff will be stationed at each *Night Visions* installation throughout the garden. They will have **Staff** displayed clearly on the back of their green vest, and have access to a torch and radio if further assistance is required.

They can answer your questions about the installations or facilities.

Some of these staff members will have completed an Access2Arts Disability Access and Inclusion Training. In 2025 many staff have also completed the Hidden Disabilities Sunflower awareness training.

Please note, Security and a dedicated Safety Officer will also be on site throughout the event.



Alt Text: A person wearing a green "Staff" vest and beanie stands on a lit path in a forest at night. Other people walk on the wooden bridge ahead which transitions into sawdust/bark chip floor cover.

Thank you!

We hope you have a great time at *Night Visions*.

If you have any questions, please call our friendly team on 1300 496 623 or email at hello@illuminateadelaide.com

There are more events and displays to explore during Illuminate Adelaide, which can be found on the website: <https://www.illuminateadelaide.com/>

If you have feedback on this Access Guide, please let us know via hello@illuminateadelaide.com or by calling 1300 496 623.