

# WHEN I VISIT PACIFIC SCIENCE CENTER

A story about what to expect when you visit the science center.



# Introduction

- Welcome to Pacific Science Center!
- This social narrative is designed to help guests of all ages, including neurodivergent individuals, prepare for their visit.
- Please customize this document to best suit your group's specific needs and itinerary.

## Feedback

Contact us at [gs@pacsci.org](mailto:gs@pacsci.org) with any specific feedback or comments about this social story.

# Arrival and Admission

When you visit Pacific Science Center, you may arrive by car, bus, train, bike, or on foot.

At the entrance, your group will need to buy tickets before you enter. Sometimes, you may need to wait in line.



# Entering Pacific Science Center

Once you walk through the admissions gate, you are inside Pacific Science Center. There are stairs, ramps, elevators, and doors that lead to different areas. Follow your group to stay together and have fun!



# Outdoor Courtyard

Outside, you will see pools of water and exhibits. These areas are for exploring, and have exhibits to interact with. You will not be going into the water, but you can enjoy the water cannons or walk in the giant water wheel.



# Entering Indoor Exhibit

You can enter the indoor exhibits through the large purple doors. There is an information desk with staff sitting, they can answer questions. You can also check out sensory kits that include tools like headphones for your comfort.



# Science Stage

Science shows are hosted on the Live Science Stage during the day. There is a schedule board on the stage with daily show-times. The shows may have loud sounds or bright lights. Our staff can tell you if these will happen before the show begins.



# Dinosaur Exhibit

In the next room, you will see mechanical dinosaurs that move and make sounds. These dinosaurs are not real, but they can still be surprising.





# Outer Space Exhibit

Building 2 has many exhibits, including *Destination: Outer Space*. You can learn about the planets or climb inside a space capsule here.



# Tide Pool Exhibit

The *Salt Water Tide Pool* is also in Building 2. You can gently touch small sea animals in salt water. Remember to wash your hands before touching them.



# Sensory Lounge Exhibit

Some areas, like the *Sensory Lounge*, offer a quiet space to rest and reset. The lighting is lower, and there are comfortable places to sit.



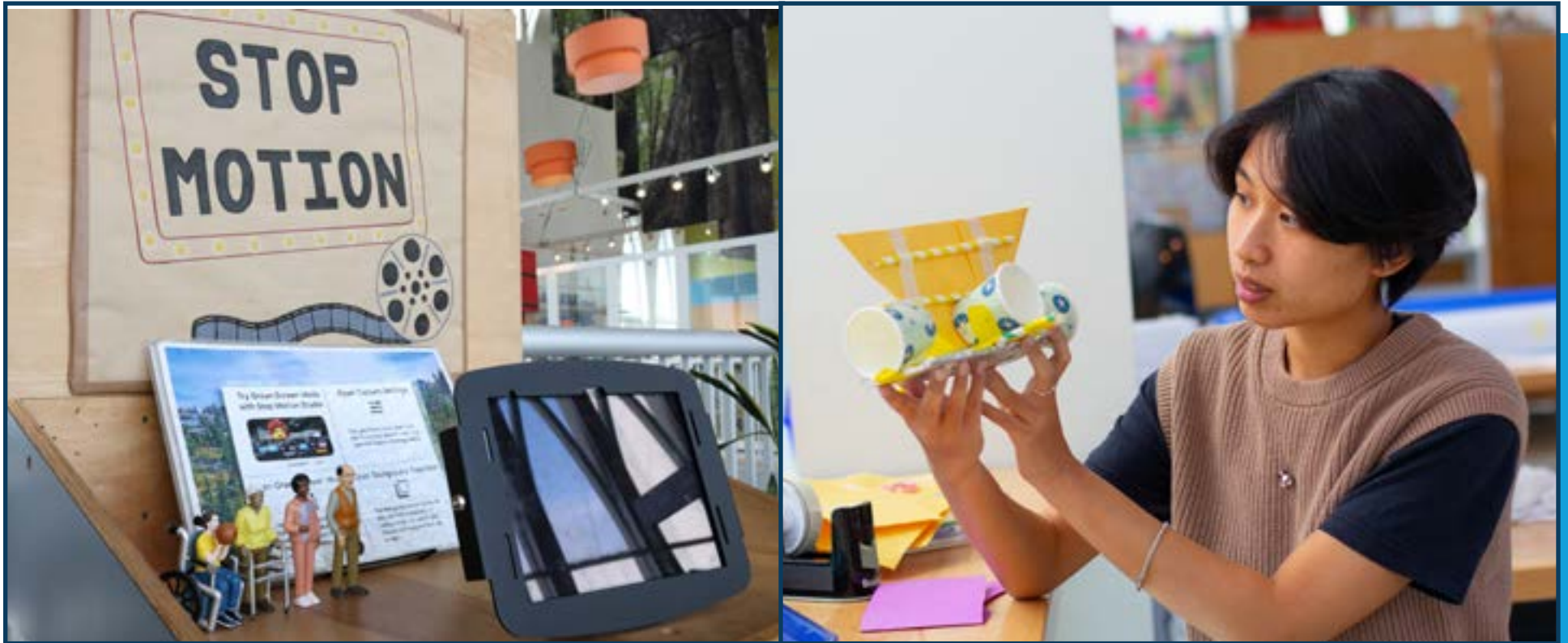
# Tropical Butterfly House

Inside the *Tropical Butterfly House*, it will feel warm, like a rain-forest. You will see butterflies flying around and plants every-where. To protect the butterflies, you will look where you walk and not touch them.



# Tinker Tank Makerspace

The *Tinker Tank Makerspace* has hands-on activities for all ages. Staff can show you how to use the materials and help with the project you want to create. You can create using anything available in the exhibit.



# Laser Dome and Planetarium

Some experiences require a separate ticket, such as the Planetarium and Laser Shows. The Planetarium is a dark room where you will see stars projected onto a big screen, and the Laser Show includes bright lights and music.



# IMAX® Theater

The IMAX Theaters also require special tickets. You can watch documentaries or feature movies here. The theater will be dark and loud. There are headphones available if it is too loud.



# Ending

There are many exciting things to see and do at Pacific Science Center. You get to explore at your own pace, and our staff is here to support you.

