# Arts House

# Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2019 - 21

**Easy English 2020**  
This is the text-only version of the Easy English document.

This book has some hard words.

The first time we write a hard word

* the word is in **blue**
* we write what the hard word means.

You can get someone to help you

* read this book
* know what this book is about
* find more information.

# About this book

This book is written by Arts House.

This book is about our **Disability Inclusion Access Plan**.

Our Disability Inclusion Access Plan says how we will make things better

for people with disability.

We call it our plan.

Our plan is from 2019 to 2021.

You can read our full plan on our website

[www.artshouse.com.au/visit- us/#accessibility](http://www.artshouse.com.au/visit-%20us/#accessibility)

# About Arts House

Arts House is a place where you can see different types of art

and performance.

For example  
● dance

● theatre

● music

● sound

● digital art

● community projects.

# Why is access and inclusion important?

Equal access and inclusion is a human **right**.

Rights are things everyone should be able to

● get

● have

● do.

For example, everyone has a right to be a part of their community.

# What we have done

At Arts House we  
● follow access laws

● work with our **access and inclusion advisory team**.

Our access and inclusion advisory team are a group of people with disability who  
● tell us their ideas

● help us make our plan happen.

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# What we will do

We have 5 goals.

1. Everyone has good access to Arts House.

2. Everyone can be a part of our art and events.

3. Give more jobs to people with disability.

4. Everyone in our community is treated with respect.

5. Make our art program more inclusive.

# Goal 1 - Everyone has good access to Arts House

We will make our buildings more accessible.

For example, we will have better  
● entrances

● bathrooms

● footpaths

● parking.

We will work with transport groups and people with disability to make public transport more accessible.

We will make our website more accessible.

# Goal 2 - Everyone can be a part of our art

# and events

We will

●  write plans to make our art and events more accessible

●  update information about access on our website

●  listen to ideas from people with disability

●  make our information more accessible.

For example

– Easy English

– Auslan.

# Goal 3 - Give more jobs to people with disability

We will make it better for people with disability to  
● find a job at Arts House

● get a job at Arts House.

For example, we will work with a **disability employment agency**.

A disability employment agency helps people with disability get a job.

# Goal 4 - Everyone in our community is treated

**with respect**

We will train our staff to  
● know about access and inclusion

● work with people with disability.

We will  
● make sure staff know about our plan

● give better information about access at Arts House.

# Goal 5 - Make our art program more inclusive

We will

●  give artists better information about access

●  help artists make access part of their work

●  support artists with disability to make their work.

We will get people with disability to

● work with artists

● tell artists their ideas.

**What will happen next?**

We will check our goals and write a report about our plan each year.

# More information

For more information contact Arts House at City of Melbourne.

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