

# Events Access Guide

## NORTH CAROLINA Museum of Natural Sciences

### AVAILABLE SERVICES AT ALL LARGE EVENTS

#### All Guests



**Accessibility and Information Buddies**—trained volunteers who can assist guests, including those with disabilities, with wayfinding and information during events.

#### Guests Who Have Autism or Sensory Processing Disorders



**Quiet Space**—a space to get away from the crowds with noise canceling headphones, seating, coloring, and calming sensory toys. For location, see the event map.



**Noise Canceling Headphones** are available for free from the Quiet Room.

#### Guests Who Are Blind or Low Vision



**Sighted Guides**—Accessibility and Information Buddies can assist guests who are blind or low vision as a sighted guide.

#### Guests Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing



**Sign Language Interpretation** for live “onsite” presentations or program is available upon request 2 weeks in advance. Sign language interpretation for live virtual presentation or programs is available upon request 1 week in advance. Please contact Coordinator of Accessibility and Inclusion to make arrangements.



**Assistive Listening Devices** are available for free upon request for live programs or presentations on a first-come, first-served basis.



**Live captioning** is available for all virtual programs, presentations, and classes upon request. Please email [accessibility@naturalsciences.org](mailto:accessibility@naturalsciences.org) at least 72 hours in advance with requests.

#### Guests Who Have Mobility Disabilities



**Wheelchairs** are available for free from either Information Desk.

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**Accessible Restrooms**—all public restrooms in the Nature Exploration Center and Nature Research Center have accessible stalls.



**Elevators** operate between each level of the Nature Exploration Center and Nature Research Center.



**Accessible Seating** is available in the WRAL 3D Theater for guests using scooters or wheelchairs.



**Automatic Doors** are located at the entrances to the Nature Exploration Center and Nature Research Center. There are automatic doors on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor bridge that connects the two buildings. Guests are cautioned there are currently no automatic doors on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor bridge that connects the two buildings.

### Guests with Young Children



**Baby Changing Stations** are located in all public and single use restrooms in the Nature Exploration Center. In the Nature Research Center, they are located on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> floor women's public restrooms and 1<sup>st</sup> floor men's public restroom.



**Nursing Room** is located on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Nature Exploration Center.

### Guests Who Use Private Restrooms



**Single Use Restrooms** are located on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> floors of the Nature Exploration Center and 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Nature Research Center.



**Adult Changing Table** is located on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Nature Exploration Center.

## STAFF



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