



# Access Visual Art



## AccessVisualArt.ca

You'll get information on if, and how, art venues you want to visit are barrier-free:

### + Access designations



accessible



partially accessible



not accessible

+ Photos & dimensions of entrances, doorways, interior spaces

+ Washrooms

+ Automatic door openers

+ Parking

+ Program description

+ Maps

## Your Guide to Barrier-Free Art Spaces.

**Access Visual Art (AVA)** is an online information resource dedicated to providing physical accessibility information about Ontario's art venues. This resource includes image-rich and detailed reports gathered from surveys and site audits, presenting up-to-date profiles on the accessibility features of venues such as museums, galleries, studios, theatres and other facilities used by the visual arts sector.

As people with physical disabilities, we often do not have access to enough information and support to know which venues we can go to or how we might engage with art spaces. AVA is a response to this existing gap, building a portal to accessibility in the visual art sector because no such resource database yet existed. While many existing platforms use a crowdsourcing model that is limited to a few categories without precise explanations, AVA uses research methods based on surveys and audits that results in accurate and reliable data.

**The barrier is not that people have disabilities, but that our built environments can be disabling!**

## Partners

AVA is a network of art and disability individuals and organizations based in Ontario. Our two main partners are AccessTO, an online resource that publishes information on barrier-free venues, and Akimbo, a digital resource that promotes visual art in Canada.

## Get More Information

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## Get Involved + Get Listed

Art venues can fill out the survey at: [akimbo.ca/ava](http://akimbo.ca/ava)

