

Vancity Theatre 1181 Seymour Street (604) 683-3456				Audit Conducted for Out On Screen, June 20, 2011
Link to Overview: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Xe6RzOOwX84WvWWIGq5Tjm0SKuIPB-4WpwMahpMuCC4/edit?hl=en_US				
SIGNAGE & WAYFINDING	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Signage in a clearly visible location?	Green			
Highly visible w/large, thick lettering <22pt font?	Green			varies
Non-glare finish?	Green			mix
Letters & background high contrast?	Green			mix
Braille?		Red		
Tactile?				
Good height (5' above floor to centre-line of sign)?	Green	Red		varies
Can a person approach within 36" of sign without standing within door swing?	Green			
Room signage on latch side of door (nearest handle when door is closed)?	Green			
Plan of building at entrances?	Green			
Directional signage large & consistent (colour, height, placement)?		Red		
Well-lit at night?	Green	Red		
Are warning signs used if strobe lighting, smoke or explosive sounds are used in the venue?			Red	
LIGHTING	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Is lighting even throughout the venue?	Green	Red		
Are there well-lit areas for people who use sign language to lip read and/sign?	Green			
Are any hazards well-lit?	Green			
fluorescent or incandescent lighting? Describe	Green			fluorescent
VEHICLE & MOBILITY SCOOTER PARKING	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Access parking within 200 feet of the building?	Green	Red		pay parking, underground and in lot out back
Well-signposted (upright & ground signage)?			Red	
Signage regarding the misuse of the spaces?			Red	
Are the spaces on level ground?			Red	
Is there a slip resistant surface?			Red	
Extra space designated to allow access to & from car (12' wide; 26' high)?			Red	
Allow easy & barrier-free access to closest entrance?	Green		Red	
Can the user avoid passing through traffic & behind parked cars?		Red	Red	
Are there areas/ spaces inside to park mobility scooters? Where?				
Are there requirements to park inside? (eg pre arrange, speak with staff)				
EXTERIOR ACCESS	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Outdoor paths in good condition (no roots, cracks, holes)?	Green			
Marked w/paint to indicate wheelchair accessible paths?		Red		
Outline path edges with high contrast paint?		Red	Red	
Grate slots not parallel to traffic flow?	Green			
Grate slots no more than 1/2" wide?	Green			
Sidewalks, ramps & paths 36" wide?	Green			
5' level landing at top & bottom of ramps & at directional changes?			Red	
Temporary ramps meet standard ramp requirements & securely anchored?	Green		Red	
Drop-off near accessible entrance?	Green			
Bus stop near accessible entrance? How near?	Green			
Bus accessible?	Green			

Walkways well-lit at night?				
Slip-resistant surface?				
Bike lockups?				
DOORS	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Is there a wheelchair accessible entrance?				
Directions to the accessible entrances & descriptions of what that allows access to?				
Minimum door clearance of at least 32"?				standard at 37"w
Operable by a single effort (no more than 8.5 lbs pressure for push or pull)?				front entrance is 36" x 2 doors
Are doors automatic?				
Do automatic doors work?				
Thresholds flush with floor, or nearly so (>1/2")?				
Doormats stationary, flat or recessed (> 1/2" high)?				flat
Wing handles, not knobs?				
3 second closing delay?				
Peephole or windows in doors reachable (> 5 high)?				
Locks no higher than 5'?				
ELEVATORS/LIFTS	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Lifts differ from elevators because they are smaller & have no room for manoeuvrability				
Do you have a lift?				
Do you have an elevator?				
Elevator size at least 5' X 5'?				
Threshold no greater than 1/2"?				
Doors open 36" wide?				42"
Elevator & call buttons at a reasonable height (35" - 54" above floor)?				
No obstructions in front of call buttons or elevator buttons?				
Elevator & call buttons tactile?				
Elevator & call buttons brailled?				
Braille to left of call buttons?				
Tactile floor identification numbers at each elevator door (height of 54")?				
Braille floor identification numbers at each elevator door (height of 54")?				
Audible signals when elevator call is answered?				
Audible signals for direction?				
Handrails on three sides?				2
Handrails mounted 36" above floor?				32"
Does it require a key?				
Closing delay (3 seconds or more)?				
Electronic re-opening activators?				
STAIRS & STEPS	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
How many?				inside theatre 15 steps to bottom, 1 step to first seats, 24 to balcony
Is there a ramp nearby?				
Do the stairs have a non-slip surface?				
Tactile warning strips on stair edges?				
Good lighting?				
Continuous handrails? Height?				
Contrast lines on steps (top/bottom yellow, rest white)?				
Closed risers?				
Maximum step height 7" & uniform?				6 1/2"

Handrails extend 12" past top riser & bottom tread?				
Handrails 1 ¼" to 1 ½" in diameter & easy to grasp?				
Handrails in contrasting colour?				
Tread size is at least 11"?				
Suspended stairs provided with sufficient warning devices (planters or railings)?				
RAMPS	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Marked by access sign?				
Gradient of 1:12? Note: No more than 1 foot of climb for 12 feet of ramp)				
Interior ramp minimum width 36"?				
Textured, non-slip surface?				
Detectable warning surface?				
Continuous & sturdy handrails?				
Handrails 36" above ramp?				
Handrails extend 12" beyond top & bottom of ramp?				
Rest areas at less than 30' intervals?				
Well-lit?				
HALLWAYS & FLOORS	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Fire doors have magnetic hold-opens?				
Clear of obstacles?				
Door edges painted contrasted colour as warning if door is slightly open?				
Carpet tightly woven, non-static, level loop with direct glue-down?				
All floors non-glare?				
All floors non-slip?				
Floor surface easy for person in wheelchair to move over?				
Hallway obstructions not be detected by a cane (48" into passageway & 27" above the floor highlighted)?				
ACCESSIBLE ROUTE THROUGH VENUE	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Is there an at least 5'wide accessible corridor through the venue from the accessible entrance to the bathrooms?				
How is it marked and/or monitored? (tape? rope? attendant? etc)				
ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Audio Test (feedback; electrical interference or hum)?				
Can speaker be easily heard from any place in room?				
Acoustics check - Clap, is there an echo? Dead spots?				
For acoustics - carpeting, padded tiles, upholstered seats?				upholstered seats, carpeting
Adjust-able microphones available?				
Low noise machines (Overhead fans are loud; turn off when not using)?				
Infra-Red system?				
FM system?				
Minimal internal noise (Noisy heating/ cooling system)?				
Limited number of angles/ walls/ pillars to reduce sound bouncing?				
Are there signs to indicate availability of the system and where it's located?				
If this is an event, is sign language interpretation provided?				per event, check listings
How is this arranged?				QFF chooses <---needs work!
PUBLIC TELEPHONE	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS

Is there a public telephone available?					
Clear path width of 30"?					
Located in a low ambient noise level area?					
Handset & coin receiver within 48" of the floor?					
Dial & coin slot 36"-48" from floor?					
Cord minimum 29" long?					
Phone directories kept at accessible level?					
TTY?					
Shelf provided for TTY?					
If TTY is provided, do staff know how to operate it?					
Do the phones have volume controls?					
WATER FOUNTAIN	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS	
Is there a water fountain available?					
Provided at varying heights?					
Recessed so as not to cause obstruction?					
Easy to operate?					
EMERGENCY SYSTEM	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS	
Emergency evacuation plan posted?					
Does it fit requirements for accessible signage?					
Audible alarm signals?					
Visible alarm signals?					
Refuge area available, or accessible exit doors?					
Fire alarms within reach (5' from floor)?					
Emergency doors clearly marked?					
Crash (panic) bar on doors?					
Visual alarm flashes >5 flashes/second?					
Fire extinguishers? How far from ground?					
SEATING	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS	
Is rest seating available in the venue?					
Armrests?					
Is there a variety of seating options?					in theatre: 17"d x 18"w x 17"h, non-movable armrests no head support
Are there seating options other than folding chairs?					will supply seating @ back, need more than folding chairs
Dimensions of seating options =					in lounge: various seating, with/without armrests, movable
Weight-bearing capacity of seating =					
Not too low to the ground? Give measurements					
In what areas can people use wheelchairs?					all
Do wheelchair seating spaces allow people to sit with companions?					some
Does seating allow a guide dog to sit under a chair?					
Are service counters (ticket booths, bars, cutlery/condiment stands etc) at a height that can be accessed by someone using a wheelchair? Give dimensions.					
Is seating secure (eg. no loose bolts)?					
FOOD & BEVERAGE	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS	
Can people have food & beverages delivered if they can't access the bar/ carry it themselves?					
Can people bring their own food & bev into the venue, if they require them?					prefer if you purchase there, but open

Is free water available?				
SCENT-FREE or SCENT-REDUCED POLICY?	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Do you have a policy in place?				not yet
What does it cover?				
In what formats do you provide info on the policy?				
SMOKING AREAS	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Accessible for people using wheelchairs?				outside
SHADE & SHELTER	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
If these areas are provided, is this accessible to people using wheelchairs?				
WHEELCHAIR HIRE	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Can people hire or borrow a wheelchair at the venue?				
If so, how is this arranged?				
How many do you provide?				
GUIDE DOGS	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Is water available for guide dogs?				
Is there an area where a guide dog can be toileted?				across the road at dog friendly park
Is there a quiet area where a guide dog can rest?				
STAFF AWARENESS	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Have staff undertaken disability awareness training?				
Do staff have experience assisting patrons with a range of disabilities and/or specific needs?				
Are staff available to provide assistance to patrons?				
Do any staff members have sign language skills?				
Is there a staff member with responsibility for access or for patrons with a disability? Who? Provide contact info.				
COMMUNICATION	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Is information about the venue available in a range of formats (e.g. Printed material, large print, audio, website)? Which formats are used?				
Is information about goods and services (programs and menus) available in a range of formats? Which formats?				
Is printed information easy to read?				
PUBLIC WASHROOMS: Main Floor "Family"	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Signage to accessible washrooms?				
Washroom entrance at least 36" wide?				32"
Can a person in a wheelchair easily close the toilet door behind them?				
Transfer easily to toilet?				
Transfer on both sides?				
At least one stall with good internal clearance (5'X 5')?				
Compartment door swings outwards (clearance of 32")?				
Does it have an inside door handle?				
Grab-bars (1" from wall; max 48" from floor)?				
On both sides? Which?				left and rear

Are the toilet paper holders accessible?				
How far from ground?				28"
How far from toilet?				1/2'
What kind of flush mechanism? Lever? Centre button? Etc.				lever
How high is the toilet seat?				16"
How high is the urinal?				
Coat hook & inside shelf inside cubicle < 40" high?				
Wall-mounted wash-basin, or space provided under sink for wheelchair clearance 30" wide X 20" deep X 28" high)?				wall mounted
Pipes wrapped to prevent burns?				
Lowered mirror (39" from floor or tilted down)?				42"
Lever-type faucets, not spring-loaded?				
Towel dispensers 54" from floor? location?				41", across from sink
Is there a tampon/pad dispenser?				
Located at no more than 48" from floor?				touch activated dryer @ 41"h
Is there an audible alarm system?				
Alarm button for people to use in an emergency?				
Is the accessible stall marked as accessible?				
Are the bathrooms marked as unisex? Specify:				"family"
Is it in a safe location (ie. not in an isolated spot)?				
Next to a gender-specific restroom so that it serves as a de facto "men's" or "women's" restroom?				
Does the door lock from the inside?				
Do locks work securely?				
Does the bathroom have a changing table? specify location and height:				38"h x 16"d x 25"w
Sharps container/s?				
Scent-free soaps available?				
PUBLIC WASHROOMS: Upstairs/elevator, "Women's"				
Signage to accessible washrooms?				
Washroom entrance at least 36" wide?				
Can a person in a wheelchair easily close the toilet door behind them?				
Transfer easily to toilet?				
Transfer on both sides?				left only
At least one stall with good internal clearance (5'X 5')?				
Compartment door swings outwards (clearance of 32")?				
Does it have an inside door handle?				
Grab-bars (1" from wall; max 48" from floor)?				
On both sides? Which?				right and back
Are the toilet paper holders accessible?				
How far from ground?				32"
How far from toilet?				1'
What kind of flush mechanism? Lever? Centre button? Etc.				lever
How high is the toilet seat?				19"
How high is the urinal?				
Coat hook & inside shelf inside cubicle < 40" high?				hook at 37"h
Wall-mounted wash-basin, or space provided under sink for wheelchair clearance 30" wide X 20" deep X 28" high)?				wall mounted, 23"d x 32"h x 57"w, 26" clearance
Pipes wrapped to prevent burns?				mix
Lowered mirror (39" from floor or tilted down)?				42"

Lever-type faucets, not spring-loaded?				
Towel dispensers at a reachable level (54" from floor) and location?				57"h, dryer at 37"h
Is there a tampon/pad dispenser?				
Located at no more than 48" from floor?				
Is there an audible alarm system?				
Alarm button for people to use in an emergency?				
Is the accessible stall marked as accessible?				
Are the bathrooms marked as unisex? Specify:				"women's", will be gender neutral for certain events
Is it in a safe location (ie. not in an isolated spot)?				somewhat isolated
Next to a gender-specific restroom so that it serves as a de facto "men's" or "women's" restroom?				
Does the door lock from the inside?				
Do locks work securely?				
Does the bathroom have a changing table? specify location and height:				
Sharps container/s?				
Scent-free soaps available?				
PUBLIC WASHROOMS: Upstairs/elevator, "Men's"	Y	N	N/A	COMMENTS
Signage to accessible washrooms?				
Washroom entrance at least 36" wide?				
Can a person in a wheelchair easily close the toilet door behind them?				
Transfer easily to toilet?				
Transfer on both sides?				
At least one stall with good internal clearance (5'X 5')?				
Compartment door swings outwards (clearance of 32")?				
Does it have an inside door handle?				
Grab-bars (1" from wall; max 48" from floor)?				
On both sides? Which?				left
Are the toilet paper holders accessible?				
How far from ground?				28"
How far from toilet?				1'
What kind of flush mechanism? Lever? Centre button? Etc.				lever
How high is the toilet seat?				18"
How high is the urinal?				
Coat hook & inside shelf inside cubicle < 40" high?				hook is 38"h
Wall-mounted wash-basin, or space provided under sink for wheelchair clearance 30" wide X 20" deep X 28" high)?				32"d x 32"h x 57"w, 26" clearance
Pipes wrapped to prevent burns?				
Lowered mirror (39" from floor or tilted down)?				42"
Lever-type faucets, not spring-loaded?				
Towel dispensers at a reachable level (54" from floor) and location?				57", dryer at 37"
Is there a tampon/pad dispenser?				
Located at no more than 48" from floor?				
Is there an audible alarm system?				
Alarm button for people to use in an emergency?				
Is the accessible stall marked as accessible?				
Are the bathrooms marked as unisex? Specify:				"men's"
Is it in a safe location (ie. not in an isolated spot)?				somewhat isolated
Next to a gender-specific restroom so that it serves as a de facto "men's" or "women's" restroom?				
Does the door lock from the inside?				

Do locks work securely?				
Does the bathroom have a changing table? specify location and height:				
Sharps container/s?				
Scent-free soaps available?				
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