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1. Introduction
At HOME you can enjoy a range of artistic and creative experiences. We showcase exciting contemporary film, art and theatre and the building is open to visitors every day.

2. Building Information
There are three levels to the building, including the ground floor and these are all accessible via a lift. There are accessible toilets on all levels and Gender Neutral Toilets are located on the Ground Floor.

All spaces have wheelchair access and include:

**Ground floor**
- Box Office for all tickets and enquiries
- Bar with takeaway food options
- Main Art Gallery
- Theatre 1 stalls entrance

**First floor**
- Granada Foundation Art Gallery 1
- Restaurant
- Theatre 1 circle and upper circle entrance
- Theatre 2

**Second floor**
- Bar (open evenings and weekends only)
- Cinemas 1-5 including Marina's Cinema
- Event Space
- Granada Foundation Art Gallery 2
- Roof Terrace

3. Contact Information
Contact us on email via access@homemcr.org or by telephone at 0161 200 1500

4. Bookable Access Facilities
To make advance access bookings, please contact access@homemcr.org, call our Box Office on 0161 200 1500 or drop into the venue. The below facilities can be booked in advance and tickets collected upon arrival from Box Office:

- Concessionary tickets
- Personal Assistant tickets can be arranged for all events
- Wheelchair spaces - available in all of HOME's spaces
- Assistance Dog space reservations
- Audio Description is available for selected events (see homemcr.org/AD)
- Caption Subtitles are available for selected events (see homemcr.org/captions)
- British Sign Language is available for selected events (see homemcr.org/BSL)
- Relaxed events are programmed each month for those with Autism spectrum conditions (see homemcr.org/relaxed)

5. Travel Guide and Arrival Guide
HOME is located on Tony Wilson Place, First Street, Manchester. This is on the other side of the railway viaduct that runs along Whitworth Street West and roughly opposite the Hacienda apartments.

Our full address is:
HOME, 2 Tony Wilson Place, Manchester M15 4FN

Car Drop-Offs
The closest drop-off point is approximately 100metres from HOME's entrance. This drop-off point is located on Whitworth Street West at the open railway arch
labelled Jack Rosenthal Street. This is next to Belvoir Lettings and leading to Starbucks. Once dropped-off, follow the pedestrian-only Jack Rosenthal Street to the right to find HOME’s entrance.

**Travelling by Car**
Blue Badge holders can park on Whitworth Street West in a parking space near to the open railway arch labelled Jack Rosenthal Street which is approximately 100metres from HOME’s entrance. Once parked follow the pedestrian-only Jack Rosenthal Street to the right to find HOME’s entrance.

There is also the Q-Park First Street multistory carpark with 28 accessible parking spaces. This car park is located across from HOME on Tony Wilson Place at First Street. The pedestrian car park entrance is approximately 30metres from HOME’s main entrance and is located facing the pedestrian public square, Tony Wilson Place. HOME customers can scan their Q-Park ticket at HOME Box Office to gain a 25% parking discount. Please note that Blue Badges are not valid for free parking in the Q-Park.

**Travelling by Bus**
The 256 bus from Piccadilly Gardens stops on Medlock Street. The bus stops are located 50metres and 150metres from HOME’s entrance. Get off the bus and walk towards HOME which is visible from the road.

Alternatively, you can use the free buses operated by First bus and linking main rail stations, car parks, shopping areas and businesses in the city centre. Free buses run from Piccadilly, Salford Central, Victoria, Oxford Road and Deansgate rail stations.

There are two circular routes covering the city centre and the Route 2 bus stops near HOME on Whitworth Street West. Visit the Transport for Greater Manchester website to plan your free bus journey.

**Travelling by Train**
HOME is located between Oxford Road train station and Deansgate train station. Deansgate train station is closest at 0.2miles or 320metres away.

To find HOME, exit the station via the ramp and carry on in the same direction towards the junction at the City Road Inn and the Hacienda Apartments then cross the road towards the large red building labelled Innside.

Go under the railway archway labelled First Street until you reach the entrance to the open pedestrian square. HOME’s entrance is to your left.

Oxford Road train station is 0.3miles or 480metres away.

To find HOME, exit station approach and turn left down Whitworth Street West. Go past Gorilla and then Gloucester Street on your left and continue until you reach the open archway next to Belvoir Lettings. Go through the open archway, following the pedestrian-only Jack Rosenthal Street to the right to find HOME’s entrance.

Piccadilly train station is 0.7miles away.

To get to HOME, you can take a train to Deansgate or use the free buses detailed above.

Victoria train station is 1mile away.

To get to HOME, you can take a train to Deansgate or use the free buses detailed above.

**Travelling by Tram**
The closest tram stop to HOME is Deansgate-Castlefield which is 0.2miles or 320metres away. There is a lift at this station to travel between platform and road level. To find HOME, exit the lift on Deansgate, turn left and travel up Whitworth Street West and under the pedestrian walkway that connects Deansgate train station to the tram stop. Carry on until you reach the junction at the City Road Inn and the Hacienda Apartments then cross the road towards the large red building labelled Innside.

Go under the railway archway labelled First Street until you reach the entrance to the open pedestrian square. HOME’s entrance is to your left.

For further information including videos of routes from stations, visit homemcr.org/visit/getting-here
6. Hearing Induction Loops

Hearing Induction Loops support customers with hearing aids that are switched to the T setting. We have audio induction loop systems at our Box Office and in our cinemas and theatres.

Hearing aid customers may also want to take advantage of the Sony Wifi audio amplification available in our cinemas and the Sennheiser Infra-red amplification available in our theatres. Please request a headset or receiver for these services from our Box Office.

7. Assistance Dogs

HOME welcomes Assistance Dogs UK (ADUK) accredited dogs with formal identification.

We also run Touch Tours for blind and partially sighted individuals and Guide Dogs are welcome during these.

If you wish to make an enquiry or book a specific seat or space for your dog in advance, please get in touch by emailing access@homemcr.org or calling Box Office on 0161 200 1500.

8. Strobe Lighting

Some films, theatre shows and gallery installations may contain flashing imagery and strobing. If this is the case, information will be provided in advance via in-venue signage, HOME’s website or advance email information relating to theatre show bookings.

9. Our Access Programme

Take advantage of our accessible programme including:

- **Audio Described performances and films**
  Audio described (AD) events are similar to listening to a cricket or football match on the radio, having the action described to you. You’ll hear an explanation of what’s happening on screen or on stage during gaps in the dialogue and sound effects.

We offer audio description on a number of selected theatre performances and screenings. Touch tours are also available prior some performances that have audio description. Our touch tours give visually impaired audiences the opportunity to familiarise themselves with the set, key props and costumes before a show and sometimes even to meet the performers.

Our listings are available in large print and audio CD from our Box Office, please email access@homemcr.org or phone 0161 200 1500 with any enquiries.

To reserve an AD headset please email access@homemcr.org or phone 0161 200 1500.

Please note, film audio description is provided by film distributors. Some distributors (Warner Brothers for example) have a policy of providing AD for all their films. Other distributors may never deliver this service. When it is provided, HOME will ensure AD is available on all screenings for that film.

For further information on films, visit homemcr.org/AD

- **British Sign Language interpreted performances and BSL led gallery tours**
  We programme a varied selection of BSL (British Sign Language) interpreted events, plus occasional BSL led tours which are conducted solely in BSL with no spoken English. Each of our main gallery exhibitions will include a BSL led tour.
  
  We also programme BSL interpreted theatre performances for selected productions. This service usually involves one interpreter standing on or in front of the stage to sign the dialogue. We have reserved seating for BSL interpreted performances in order to provide the best sight lines. If you require the use of this service, please email access@homemcr.org in order to reserve your seats.

  Our film programme contains many titles that are subtitled into English from other languages, plus other films that are caption subtitled. These may also be suitable for D/deaf or hearing-impaired customers. For further information on these films, visit homemcr.org/cinema and homemcr.org/captions

  For more information on BSL events, visit homemcr.org/BSL

See section 6 for information on hearing loops.
**Caption Subtitled performances and films**

At HOME, we programme caption subtitled theatre performances for selected productions. This service involves the dialogue and other sound description being written on an LED screen on either side of the stage. We have reserved seating for caption subtitled performances in order to provide the best sight lines. If you require the use of this service, please email access@homemcr.org in order to reserve your seats.

We also provide caption subtitled screenings of films when possible. These screenings have a transcription of the film's dialogue in English along the bottom of the screen and a description of the sound in the film is also included in these captions. We have a dedicated caption subtitled film slot every Thursday in the early evening plus other captioned screenings at various other times.

Please note, caption subtitles have to be actively produced by the film distributors. Some distributors have a policy of providing this service for all their films. Other distributors may never do so. For further information on these films, visit homemcr.org/captions

Our programme contains many films subtitled into English from other languages. These may also be suitable for deaf or hearing-impaired customers but won't always include additional descriptions of sounds. You can find a wide selection of subtitled films listed in our cinema website section at homemcr.org/cinema

**Relaxed films and performances for people with autism spectrum conditions**

Relaxed events at HOME are designed to be friendly to people with autism spectrum conditions and their families so they can enjoy the arts in a stress-free environment. These events may also be suitable for people with sensory disorders or learning difficulties.

Events include the below:

**Relaxed Screenings** – taking place every month in our cinemas and including:
- cinema lights on low
- film volume turned down a little
- no trailers or advertisements before the film starts
- you can move in and out of the cinema
- a separate chill out space is provided if you need some time out of the screening

**Relaxed Performances** – taking place for specific productions and including:
- toning down any loud noises and lighting effects
- auditorium lights on low
- you can move in and out of the theatre
- a relaxed attitude to noise and movement
- a separate chill out space is provided if you need some time out of the theatre

If you have any questions regarding these events, please email access@homemcr.org or call 0161 200 1500

For more information on these events visit homemcr.org/relaxed