

# Museum Visit

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MUSEUM  
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I am going on a trip to the Natural History Museum. The Museum is a big place with lots of cool things for me to see and learn about!

The museum has two entrances. When we arrive, I will either walk across a bridge or up some big stairs to get into the museum.



If it is a busy day, my adult will have to wait in line to get our tickets. I will do my best to be patient while I wait. If I need to use the bathroom, I will tell an adult in my group and they can bring me inside.

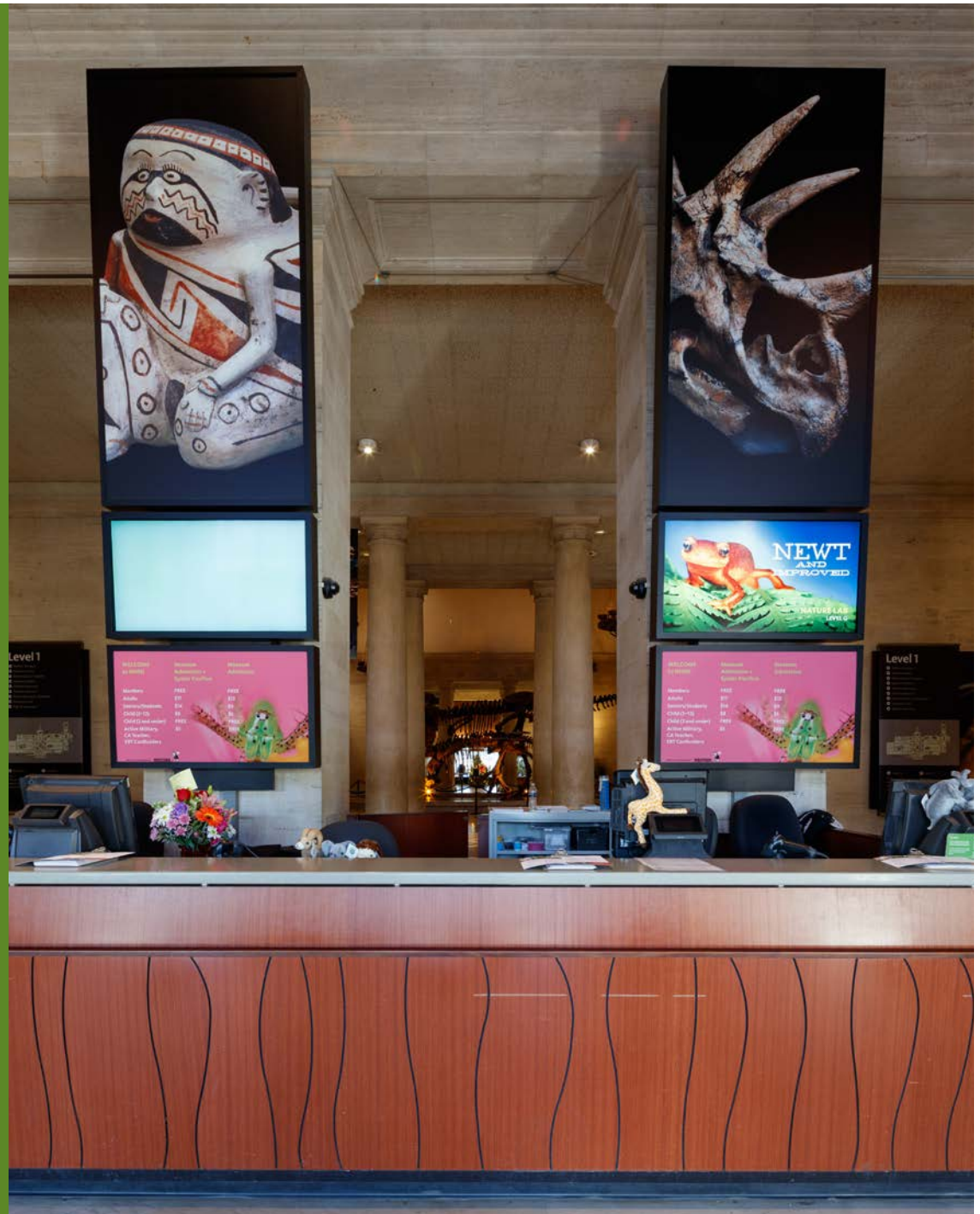


To keep the museum safe and clean for other guests, I will keep my food and drinks put away while we are inside! There are nice places to eat outside or in the Museum's Café.



When we enter through the doors of the museum, I will feel cool air and it will be a little darker than it was outside. It might take my eyes a second to get used to the difference in light.

There are 3 floors I can visit, with different exhibits on each. When I enter the museum it will be on Level 1. I can take the elevator or stairs up to Level 2 or down to Level G.





I will need to stay with my adult while we are inside. I will make sure that I can always see them as we explore the Museum!

We can use a map of the museum to figure out how to get to the exhibits we are interested in seeing.







I will decide with my adult which of the museum's exhibit halls we would like to see. Sometimes it can be crowded or noisy in the exhibit halls. If I need to take a break somewhere quiet, I will let my adult know.

Some exhibits have animals that are dead, but posed to look like they are alive. This is called **taxidermy**. They may seem like they are looking at me, but the eyes are made out of plastic, similar to a toy stuffed animal!



There are many things at the Museum that I will be able to look at but not touch. These things may be fragile or very old, so touching them wouldn't be safe! Objects that I shouldn't touch will be behind glass or some type of barrier.

There are also many things that it is okay to touch! A sign or Museum staff will let me know an object is touchable. If I am ever unsure, I can ask an adult in my group.

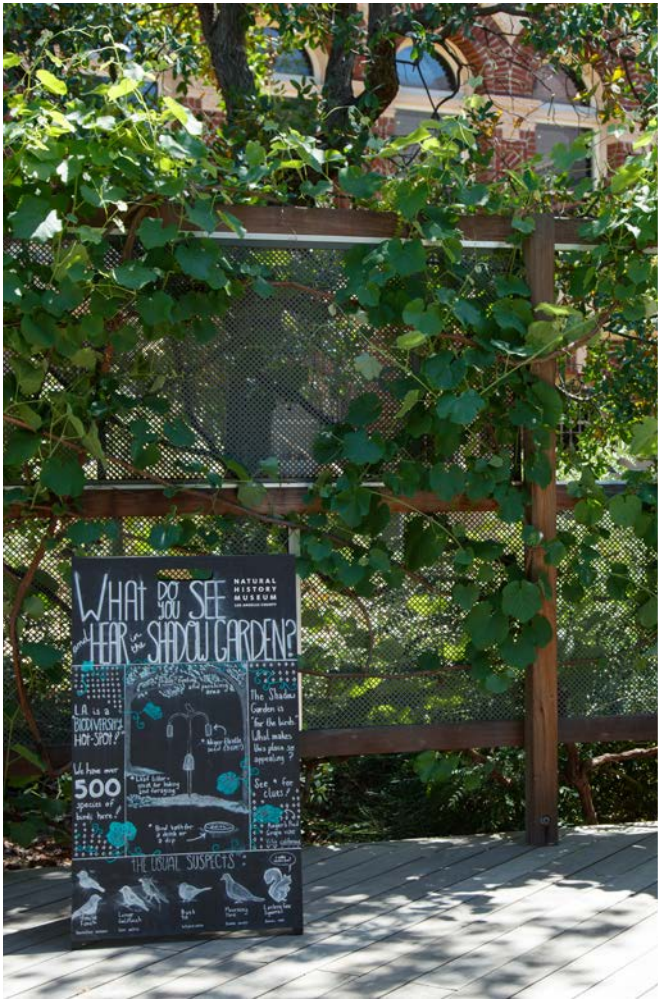




If I get separated from my group or adult, or if I have questions, I can ask someone who works at the museum to help me. People who work at the museum wear a uniform or name badge.

If I need to go to the bathroom, I will let my adult know. There are bathrooms on every floor of the museum. Some bathrooms have a few stalls, others have a door and just one toilet.





If I need to take a break, I will tell an adult. There are places inside and outside the museum that are quieter where I can relax.



I will try not to be upset if I don't see everything at the museum before it is time for us to leave. I can always come back another time on a field trip or with my family!



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