

Social Story for The National Museum of Toys and Miniatures

Exploring T/m!



Arrival and Parking



The National Museum of Toys and Miniatures (T/m) is located on the corner of Oak and 52nd Streets. We will park by the museum and walk as a group up the stairs or ramp to enter the museum.

There is a hill at the edge of the parking lot that leads to the street.

We will have fun learning about toys and miniature art!

Entry

If the weather is bad, I can use the rug to wipe off my shoes and put my umbrella in a bag, so I don't drip water on the floor.

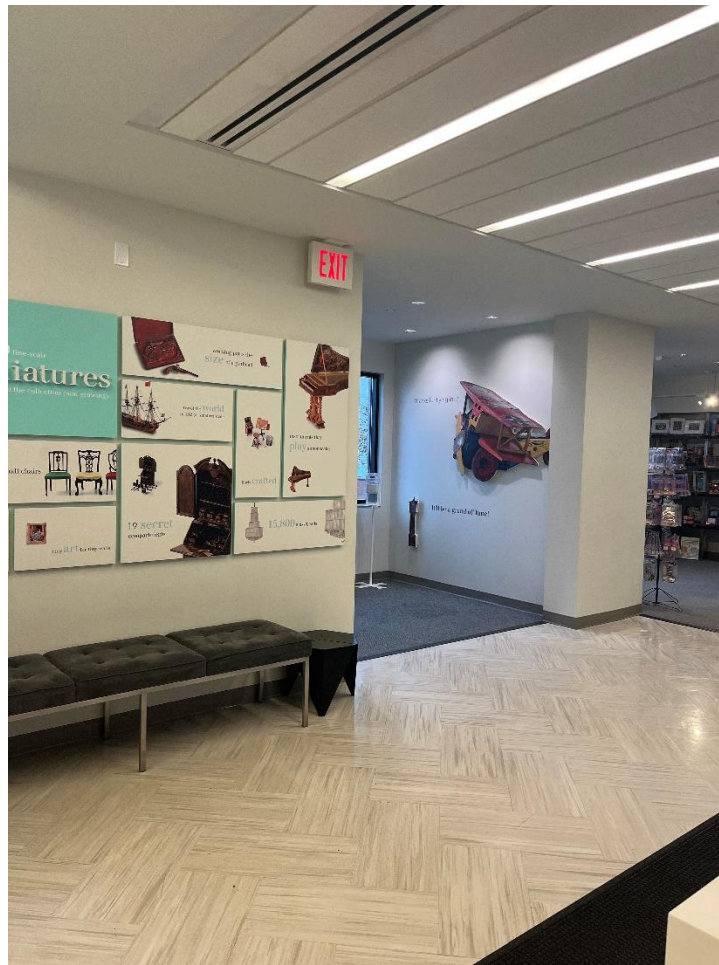
There is a plastic barrier at the front desk. I might see masks and hand sanitizer. These help keep us safe. The front desk is where we check into the museum. We might have to wait in line to check in. A person behind the plexiglass will tell us when it's our turn.

I can find a map and information about upcoming events at the front desk.



Lobby

The lobby connects the Introduction Gallery, coat closet, staircase, front desk, gift shop and fun Toytisserie sculpture. I saw a picture of the Toytisserie on the front cover. There are benches if I need to sit. People may be coming in and out the doors through the lobby. I will wait for my adult or group to tell me where to go next.



Introduction Gallery

The Introduction Gallery is to the right when I face the front desk. It is where we can watch the video about how the museum started.

To start the video, I tap the black screen. There is a bench if I need to sit.



Coat Room

If I have a snack or water bottle, I leave it in the coat closet beside the Introduction Gallery. If I am tired of carrying my coat, I can hang it up there, too. There are step stools by the coat room, and in the toy gallery, if I need help seeing tall objects.



Restrooms

If I need to use the restroom or drink some water, there are restrooms and water fountains on the first floor outside the Miniature Galleries, and on the second floor by the Toys, Inc. Gallery.



Miniature Galleries

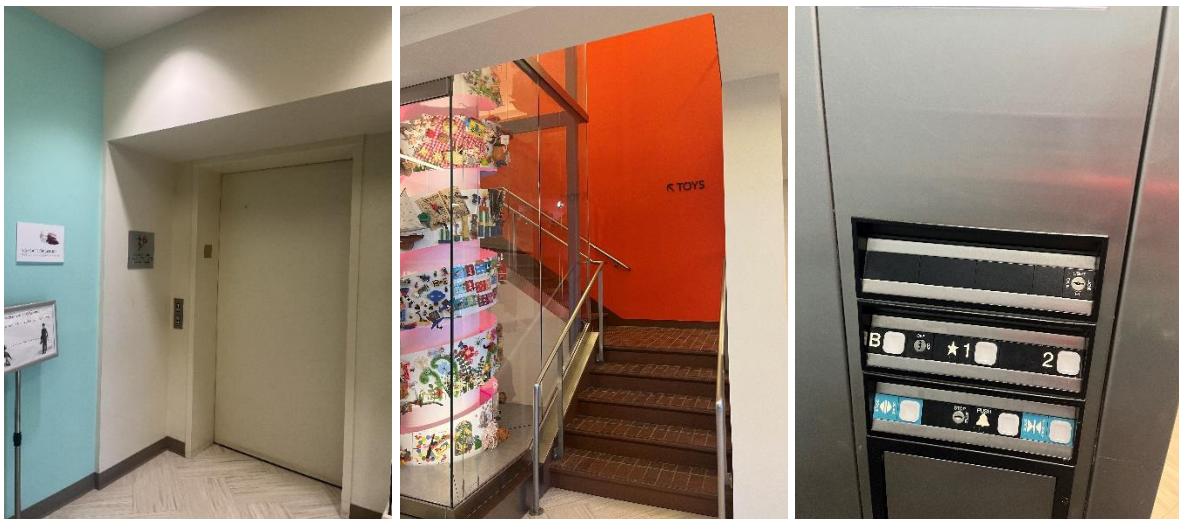


The Miniature Galleries have lots of fun small items. I can borrow a magnifying glass to see the details.

Elevator and Stairs

To get to the toy galleries upstairs, we can take the elevator or the stairs. On the stairs, I walk by the Toytisserie sculpture. The line of toys is over 100 feet long! If I look closely, I can see it spinning and changing color.

In the elevator, 1 is the 1st floor where the miniatures and lobby are, and 2 is the 2nd floor where the toys are. B is Basement. Only staff go there.



Toy Galleries

The toy galleries are on the second floor. I can explore with my group and even push buttons on certain cases. Spinning the wheel on the big optical toy can be fun!



Leaving the Museum

When it's time to go, I will remember to take any of my belongings from the coat closet. My group may stop in the gift shop on the way out. We will make sure there are no more than 5 of us in the gift shop at a time. If we want to buy something, we take it to the front desk.

My group and I can wave goodbye to the front desk staff and leave through the lobby entry.

