

Mini Peer Group Expo

Social Story



This social story is for guests attending the **Mini Peer Group Expo** at the Mandurah Performing Arts Centre on **2 December 2021** between **10am and 2pm**. The event is part of a series of events for International Day of People with Disability celebrations in Mandurah.

At the Mini Peer Group Expo there will be presentations in the Alcoa Gallery between 10.15am and 2pm. For more details about the presentations please check out the last page of this social script. There will be information stalls, about support groups in the foyer area.

This document contains information about coming to the event at the Mandurah Performing Arts Centre (ManPAC), including images and information about the venue and the event.

The Venue

The Mini Peer Group Expo will be at the ManPAC.



This is a photo of the ManPAC.

There are parking options available close by, off Ormsby Terrace near the Mandurah Performing Arts Centre.



This is a photo of some of the ACROD parking bays directly out the front of the ManPAC.



This is a photo of the ramp access from the car park to the ManPAC.

When arriving from this car park you can walk down the pathway along Mandjar Square, towards ManPAC.



This is a photo of the walkway from the parking bays to the entry of the ManPAC.



This is the entry door located at the end of the pathway. There is a button to use which can open this door for people who use a wheelchair or find the door hard to open.

You may arrive from a different side of the ManPAC and you will need to go up the stairs or the ramp to enter the building.



This is a photo of the ramp and entry steps.

At the top of the stairs and the ramp you will go through some glass doors which will open into a large area called a foyer.



This is a photo of the large space, called a foyer, which you will see when you enter the ManPAC.

There will be hand sanitiser available to use when you enter the ManPAC. When you enter either you or someone with you will

check into the Safe WA app using a smartphone or a pen and paper.



This is a photo of the QR code to scan for the Safe WA app.

There will be people to greet you when you enter and they can answer any questions that you may have about the event.



This is a photo of people at a table greeting people as they arrive at the ManPAC.

There will be people working at ManPAC and there will be other people arriving at the event. There will be some music playing and there will be sounds of people talking.



This is a photo of people arriving at an event at the ManPAC.

The event will be in the foyer area to towards the car park and past the box office. The presentations and workshops will be in the Alcoa Art Gallery. There will be seats for you to sit on or you can stand up.



This is a photo of the entry of the Alcoa Art Gallery.



This is a photo of inside the Alcoa Art Gallery. At the event there will be people sitting on chairs in this room listening to people speak at the front of the room. You may ask questions after the person has finished their speaking.



This is a photo of the foyer area where the peer support group information stalls will be.

There will be people sitting and standing at tables providing information about support groups for people with disability in Mandurah. If you want to, you can ask the people questions about the group that they are promoting.



This is a picture of a person at a peer-led group talking with a community member.

There will be a person interpreting spoken communication into Auslan (Australian sign language). The Auslan interpreter will be in the Alcoa Art Gallery interpreting the guest speakers' words from the front of the room.



This is a picture of someone doing Auslan (sign language).

At the start of the event, a local Aboriginal person will do a Welcome to Country which is a small ceremony where traditional custodians welcome people to their land.



This is a picture of a person performing a Welcome to Country.

After the Welcome to Country, Mayor Rhys Williams will welcome people to the Mini Peer Group Expo.



This is a picture of Mayor Rhys Williams speaking into a microphone at the ManPAC.

After the Mayor has spoken people will be able to go out to the information stalls in the foyer area or stay in the room to listen to the guest speakers.

If you need a break there will be a quiet space where you can go to relax called a **Chill Out Zone**. There will be bean bags, ear muffs and, if you need a sensory tool, you may ask one of the volunteers to provide you with one.



This is a photo of a Chill Out Zone.

There will be a photographer at the event taking photos. The photographer will ask you if you would like your photo taken. You may say no if you prefer not to have your photo taken.



The toilets are through a corridor off from the foyer area.



This is a picture of the hallway to the male and female toilets.

The wheelchair accessible bathroom is a bit further along. Volunteers and staff at the ManPAC can help you to find the toilet if you feel a bit lost.



This is a picture of the wheelchair accessible bathroom.

At about 12pm you will be invited to have a drink and something to eat. There will be people helping to hand out food.



This is a picture of people who will be serving the food.

There will be tea, coffee, water and cupcakes to also eat and drink at the event.



This is a photo of the cupcakes.

There are spaces out the front of the ManPAC that you may also like to sit to have a rest from being around other people. There is a water fountain, bench seats to sit on and an interactive music activity for people to use.



This is a photo of the area where people can sit out the front of the ManPAC.



This is a photo of the drink fountain outside of the ManPAC.

From 12.30pm there will be an accessible boat from the local Fishability group at the jetty out the front of the ManPAC. Anyone is welcome to have-a-go on the boat. There is no cost to go on the boat.



This is a photo of the area where the Fishability boat will be.



This is a photo of the Fishability boat. This boat is wheelchair accessible.

Throughout the event you are welcome to come and go. You may choose to go to just one of the presentations, or you may want to attend all of them. You may like to only visit the information stalls, or you may like to do a combination of both.

Timetable for Presentations

Time	Title
10.30am	Amber Gilkes, Founder and Chairperson of XYY Syndrome Association of Australia Inc.
	How to start a peer-led group, challenges, successes and everything in-between.
11.00am	Carers WA, Community Champion Program
	How to become a Community Champion
	Community Champions are people with disability who act as mentors and support for local groups and organisations to improve access and inclusion within their local community.
11.30am	Wanslea and APM Communities
	NDIS Pathways (0-6 year and 7 year plus) Eligibility, how to apply and opportunities for questions
12 noon	Lunch and networking
12.30pm	People with Disability WA
	State Disability Strategy
	The WA State Government has launched its Disability Strategy for 2020–2030. This is an opportunity to learn about the new strategy and to ask questions.
1.00pm	Ability Heroes
	Learn how to create a directory of accessible locations around Australia with community participation.
1.30pm	Peer support in Mandurah - general discussion
2.00pm	Event close

