

Visual Story: The Improv Centre

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Visual Story

The Improv Centre:

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of the links and go
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Where is the Improv Centre?

The Improv Centre is on Granville Island

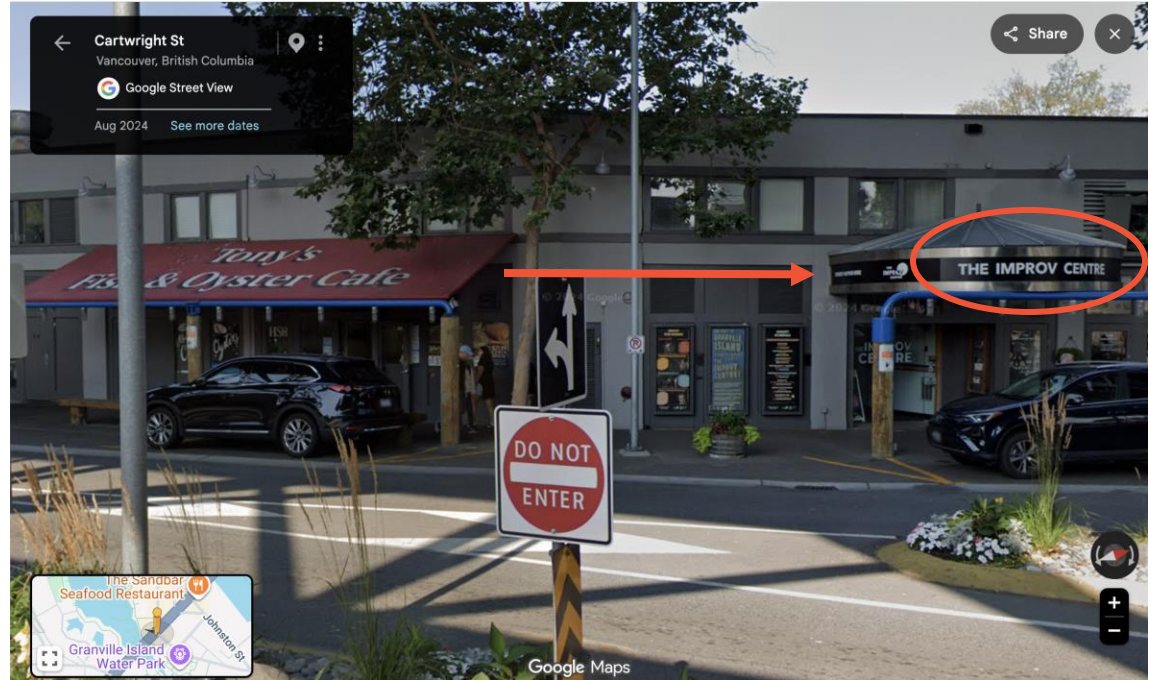


This sign is the
entrance to
Granville Island.

Where is The Improv Centre?

The Improv Centre is
beside Tony's Fish &
Oyster Cafe

1502 Duranleau Street
Vancouver, BC V6H 3S4



Accessibility

Wheelchair and mobility device users:

- The venue entrance features an automatic door button (to the left of the main double doors)
- The ground floor is flat and washrooms are accessible



Getting to The Improv Centre

Coming by Car

Driving/Parking

[View map](#) of parking

- Pay parking in effect 11AM - 6PM
 - Monday - Friday: \$3/hour
 - Weekends & holidays: \$4/hour
- Free parking in effect before 11AM & after 6PM
- Accessible parking
- There are free stalls throughout Granville Island with posted time limits until 7PM, no time limit after 7PM



There is limited pay parking directly outside the venue and along Duranleau Street, or in any of the lots/parkades listed on the island [parking map](#).

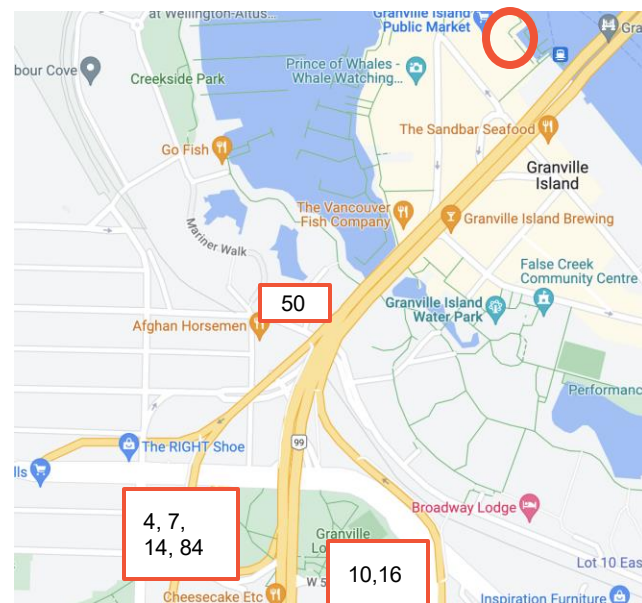
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Coming by Bus

[View routes on Google maps](#)

These buses take you close to Granville Island:

- Route 50
 - For directions with pictures to get to the theatre from the 50 bus, see [page 10](#).
- Routes 4, 7, 14, 84
 - For directions with pictures to get to the theatre from the 4, 7, 14, and 84 bus, see [page 13](#)
- Routes 10 and 16
 - For directions with pictures to get to the theatre from the 10 and 16 bus, see [page 18](#)

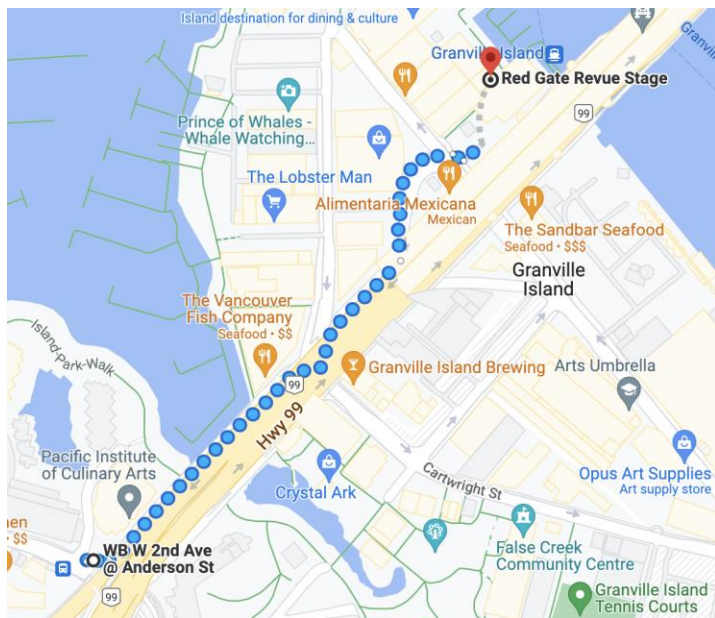


This is where the bus stops are.

When Traveling from the 50 Bus Stop

[View map on Google maps](#)

Note: Google maps may provide a different route



Here is a map from the 50 Bus stops to the theatre.



This is what the 50 Eastbound bus stop looks like.

When Traveling from the 50 Bus Stop



Move towards the Granville bridge above you.
Cross Anderson Street at the lights.



After crossing Anderson Street, turn left and
cross Lamey's Mill Road and continue traveling
under the bridge along Anderson Street.

[Skip to slide 23 for rest of directions.](#)

When Traveling from the 50 Bus Stop



This is what the 50 Westbound bus stop looks like.
Move towards the bridge above you and cross
Anderson Street at the lights.



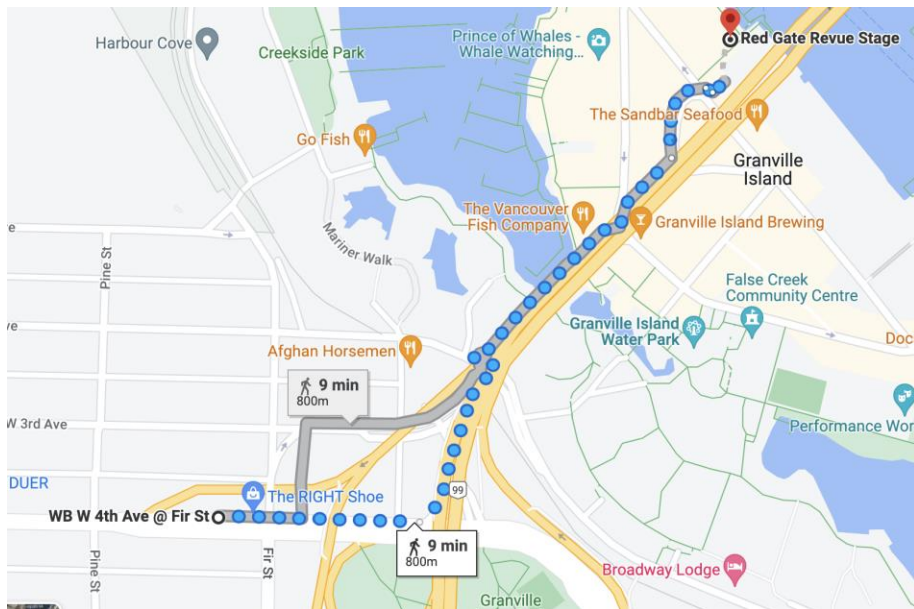
Turn left as soon as you cross the street and
continue to travel along Anderson Street
underneath the bridge.

[Skip to slide 23 for remainder of route.](#)

When Traveling from the 4, 7, 14, and 84 Bus Stop

[View map on Google maps](#)

Note: Google maps may provide a different route



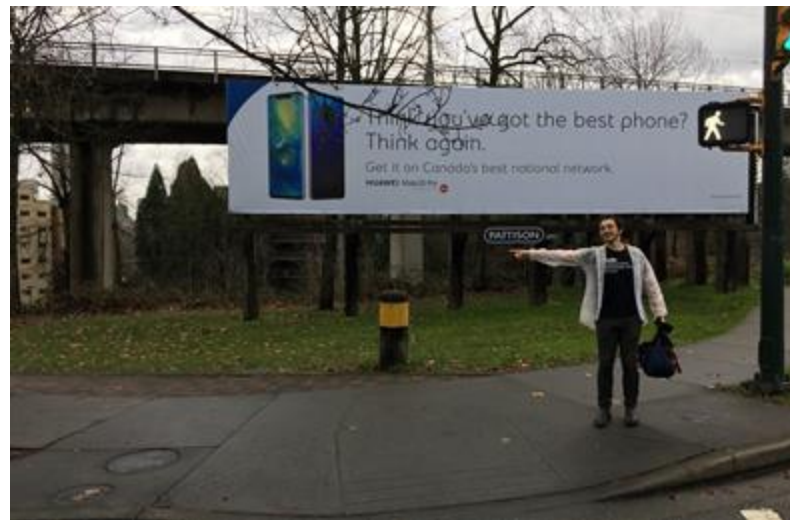
This is what the 4, 7, 14, and 84 Westbound bus stop looks like.

Here is a map from the 4, 7, 14, and 84 bus stops to the theatre.

When Traveling from the 4, 7, 14, and 84 Bus Stop



Turn right when you get off the bus and head along West 4th Ave towards the Granville Bridge above you.



Cross Anderson Street at the lights and turn left.

[Skip to slide 23 for remainder of route.](#)

When Traveling from the 4, 7, 14, and 84 Bus Stop



This is what the 4, 7, 14, and 84 Eastbound bus stop looks like.



Travel away from the Granville bridge towards Fir Street.

When Traveling from the 4, 7, 14, and 84 Bus Stop

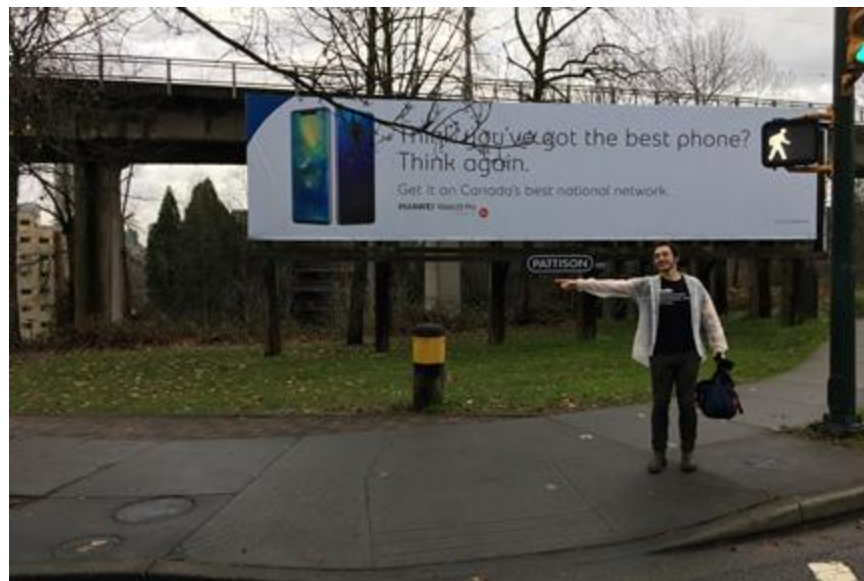


Turn right at Fir Street and cross
West 4th Avenue at the lights.



Once you cross the street, turn right
and go along 4th Avenue towards
the Granville Bridge above you.

When Traveling from the 4, 7, 14, and 84 Bus Stop



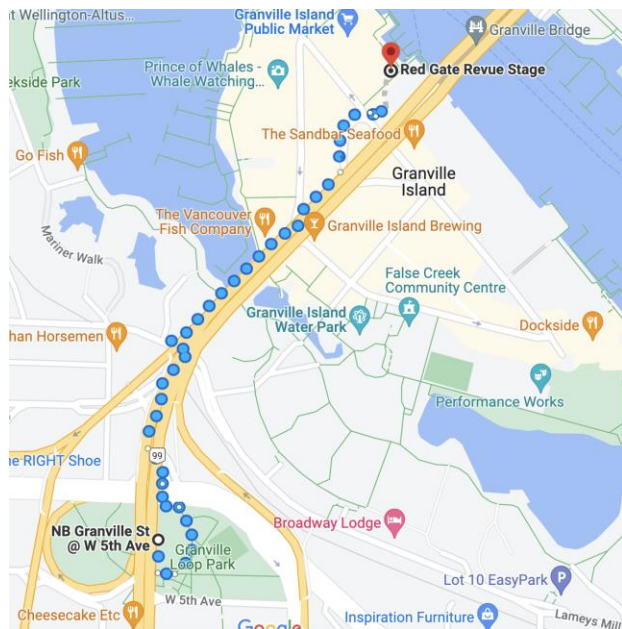
Keep going along west 4th Ave until you
cross Anderson Street under the bridge.
Turn left down the path.

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When Traveling from the 10 and 16 Bus Stop

[View map on Google maps](#)

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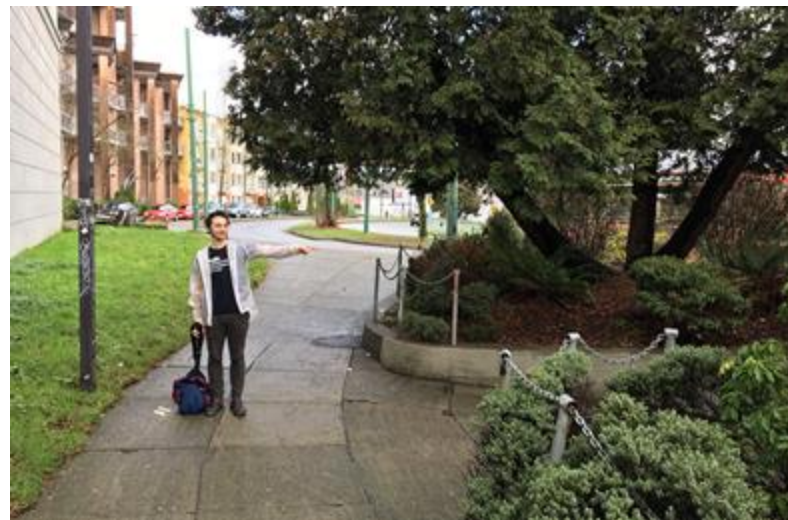
This is what the 10 and 16 Southbound bus stop looks like.

Here is a map from the 10 and 16 bus stop to the theatre.

When Traveling from the 10 and 16 Bus Stop

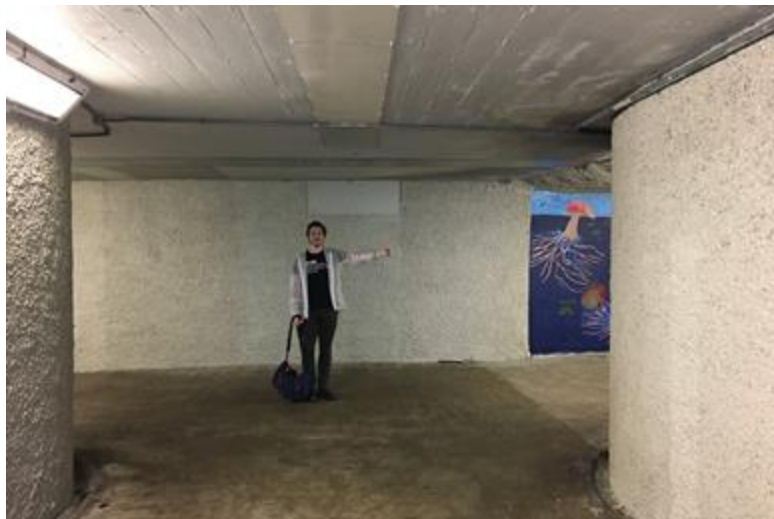


Turn off Granville Street, down the path towards the park.



After a few feet turn right, into the underground walkway.

When Traveling from the 10 and 16 Bus Stop



After a short while, you will come to a T intersection. Go right.



Just after you come out of the tunnel, and before the stairs, turn left.

When Traveling from the 10 and 16 Bus Stop



Go up those stairs and turn right.



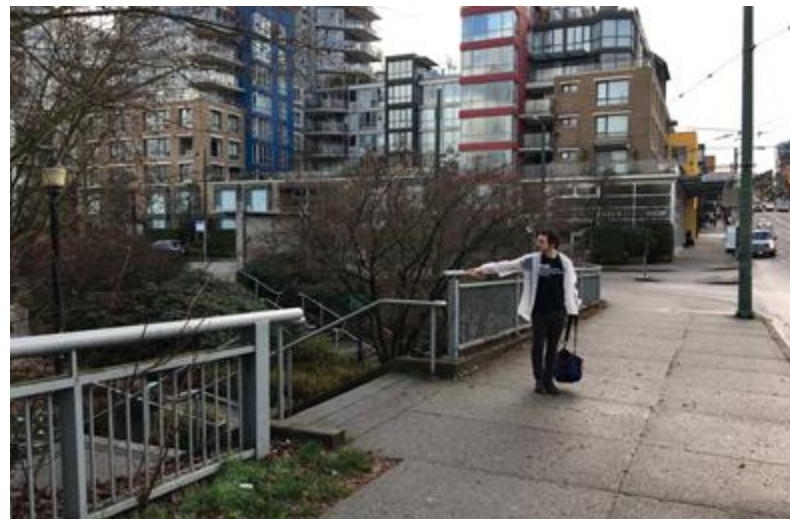
Right away, turn left down the first path in the park.

[Skip to slide 21 for the remaining instructions.](#)

When Traveling from the 10 and 16 Bus Stop



This is what the 10 and 16 Northbound bus stop looks like.
Travel back along Granville Street,
away from the bridge.



After a few feet, turn left and go down the stairs towards the park.

When Traveling from the 10 and 16 Bus Stop



Right away, turn left down the first path in the park.



Both routes continue together from here on.

Keep going down the path through the park until you reach West 4th Avenue.

When Traveling from the 10 and 16 Bus Stop



Cross West 4th Avenue at the lights.



At the other side, immediately turn right and cross Anderson Street.

All routes combine here



As soon as you're across the street,
turn left and go down the path.



Keep following the brick path, which follows
the path of the bridge above you.
This will take you all the way onto Granville Island.

Getting to The Improv Centre from the Granville Island Entrance



You will see the big GRANVILLE ISLAND sign.
Cross to the other side of the street and continue onto the island, keeping left.

Getting to The Improv Centre from the Granville Island Entrance



Continue down the wooden pathway on the left side of the street, leading onto the island. The Improv Centre will be straight ahead.

Getting to The Improv Centre from the Granville Island Entrance





Inside the Building

[Click here to watch a video overview of The Improv Centre](#)



This is the entrance to the building.

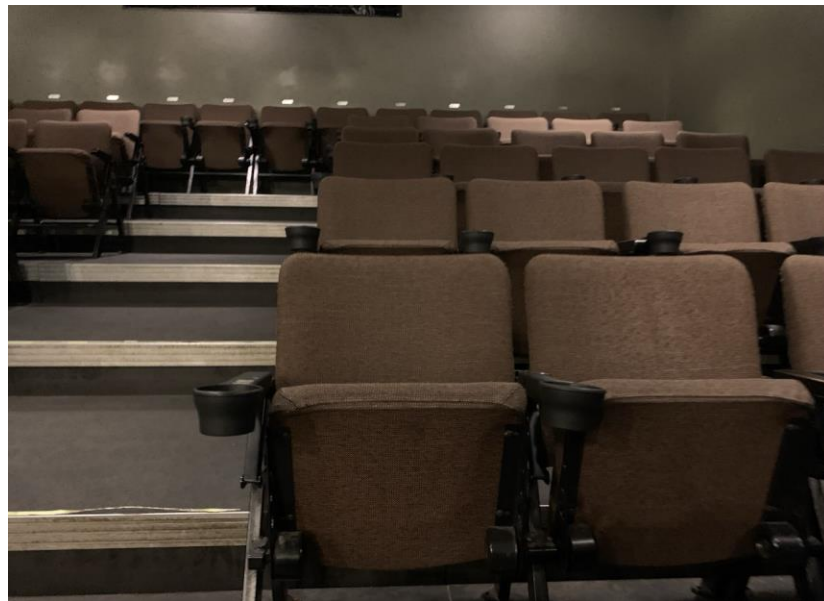


This is the main hallway. Go to the end and turn right to enter the auditorium.

Inside the Building



This is what bleacher seating looks like inside the theatre.



Seats are 20" wide and feature cup-holders.

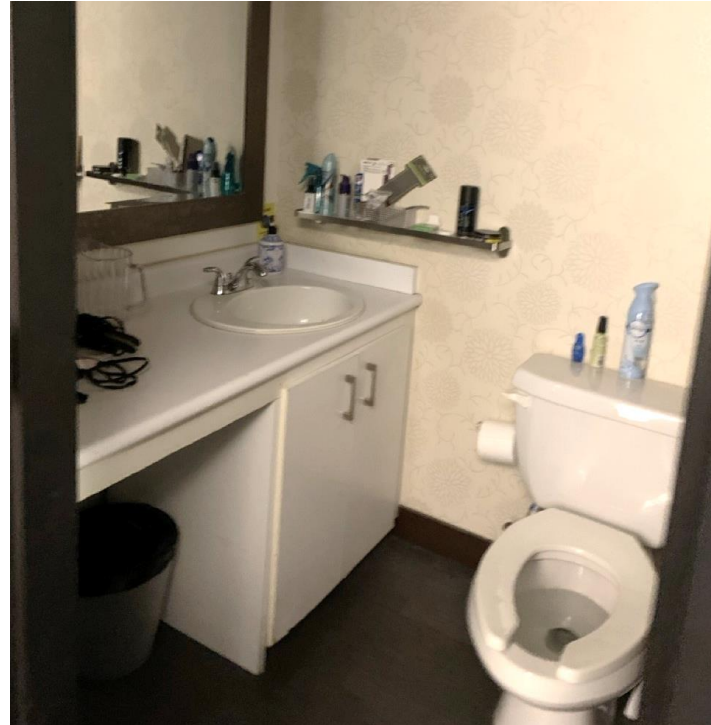
Inside the Building

Wheelchair and mobility aid users have reserved seating between the stage and the bleachers, at round tables (staff will remove chairs as needed).



Inside the Building

This is what the private washroom looks like in the author green room.



Inside the Building

This is what the author green room looks like.



Staff & Volunteers

Our staff & volunteers all wear badges with their name on them.
Staff wear red badges and volunteers wear yellow badges.

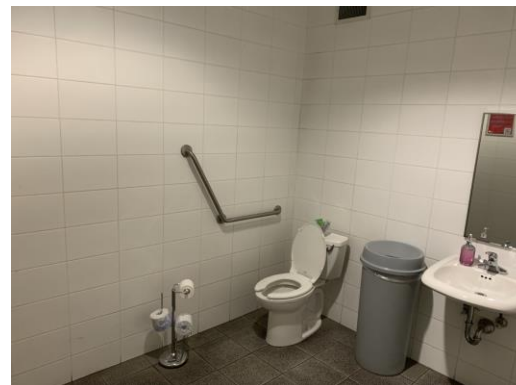
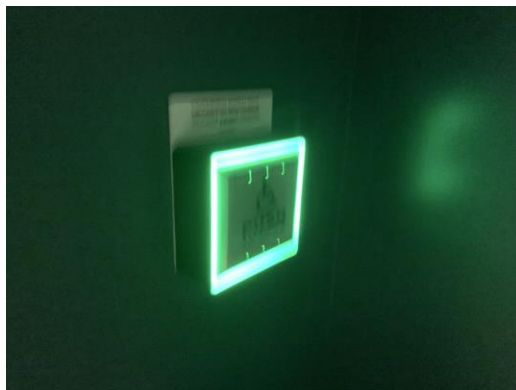


**If you need
help, ask them!**

While you wait in line, they will ask you if you need a chair to sit on
or if you need extra time to get settled in the theatre.

Washrooms

Immediately upon entrance to inner hallway, there is an accessible and gender-neutral washroom on the left.



Washrooms

There are also two gendered washrooms in the main hallway.



Drinks & Snacks



Depending on the event, The Improv Centre may run a bar. Please check with the venue in advance about menu options or allergies. This room will also serve as the book signing area for authors.

Questions?

If you have any questions, contact Jenn Milley (Managing Director), Matthew Tomkinson (Accessibility Coordinator), or our general info line.

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This is what
Jenn looks like.



This is what
Matthew looks
like.