**Location: Vancity Theatre** 

Website: http://www.viff.org/theatre/

Address and Phone Number: 1181 Seymour Street (604) 683-3456

Link To Google Map of Area Link To the Full Access Audit

This state-of-the-art facility is conveniently located between the West End and Yaletown, across from a dog-friendly park, cafes and restaurants, accessible transit, and next to Davie Village, a hotspot for queer community.

The entire space is wheelchair accessible. The gathering space/foyer/concession areas are spacious and open-concept, manoeuverability is excellent, and there are a variety of seating options. The theatre itself is on the small side compared to the other venues, with a cozy feel. Sign Language Interpretation will be provided for some screenings here, and will take place at the front of the theatre. There are only 2 marked spaces for folks using scooters/ wheelchairs, and more spaces along the back wall can be created. There are not currently, however, an appropriate range of seating options for folks unable to use stairs. Folding chairs will be provided at the rear, which may or may not be suitable for your needs. Until sturdier, more appropriate seating is provided, it may be possible to request seating be brought in from the lounge, but this would need to be arranged. The theatre seats (which are all accessed via stairs) are upholstered, low back, 18" wide with non-movable armrest(do I see a project for the future?).

The washrooms (except the "family" washroom) are currently marked as gendered, but will be sporting a variation on the "gender neutral" theme for the duration of the Festival. The washrooms all have wheelchair accessible stalls, with three to choose from, including a single-stall "family" option on the main floor. The other two are accessible via elevator or railed steps. Please note that there are no tampon dispensers, sharps containers or scent free soaps provided (QFF may provide scent free soaps, but that's not confirmed yet), so please come prepared!

Please note that there is not currently a scent-reduced policy in place at Vancity Theatre, though specific events will have their own policies. Refer to these resources if you'd like to learn more about how you can help create a safer environment for folks with Multiple Chemical Sensitivities:

A FAQ on MCS and being scent-free

http://www.peggymunson.com/mcs/fragrancefree.html

On making your event scent-free or scent-reduced:

http://dualpowerproductions.com/2011/03/26/organizing-a-fragrance-free-event/

On products you can use to reduce your use of scents:

http://eastbaymeditation.org/accessibility/scentfree.html

There is pay parking on the street, and two lots, one underground, one around back.



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