



Enlighten Festival 2026

Accessibility Guide

Easy Read version



About this guide



This guide is from the ACT Government.



It will use pictures and words to tell you information.



This guide will tell you about **Enlighten Festival**

- Enlighten Festival is an event
- it is on in Canberra
- it is on at night
- we will call it Enlighten in this guide

About Enlighten



Enlighten is a big event in Canberra.

2026 FEBRUARY							2026 MARCH						
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The event runs from 27 February to 9 March 2026.



It happens outside at night-time.



Everyone is welcome at Enlighten.



At Enlighten you can see lights on some buildings.

These lights will have moving pictures and sounds.



At Enlighten you can see art on show outside.



The art will have

- lights
- sounds
- people
- puppets.

At Enlighten



- you can hear live music



- you can do activities in some buildings



- you can buy food and drinks

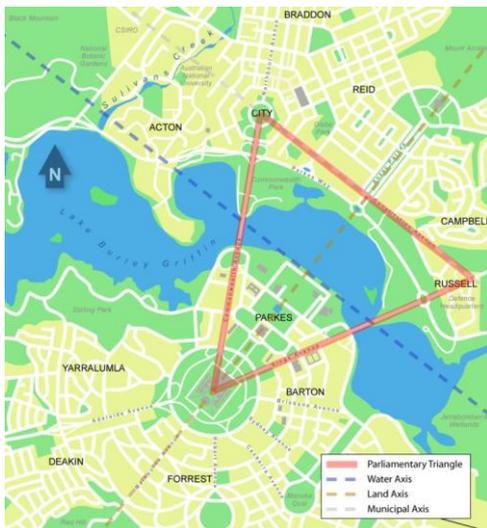
Getting to Enlighten

Location



Enlighten is at the **National Triangle** in Canberra.

The National Triangle is an area in Parkes, Canberra.



- It is between Kings Avenue and Commonwealth Avenue
- It is from Australian Parliament House to ANZAC Parade
- It includes part of Lake Burley Griffin.
- You can find out more on the website:

www.nca.gov.au/attractions/national-triangle#

Parking at Enlighten



You can drive your car and park near Enlighten.



There is parking for people with disability permits.



You can see where to park on the Enlighten Map on the website:

enlightencanberra.com/event-information/festival-map/

Drop-off and Pickup Point



There is a drop-off and pickup point at the National Portrait Gallery.

It is off Kind Edward Terrace.



- You can get dropped off by your driver.
- You can get picked up by your driver.

Enlighten Shuttle Bus



You can catch the shuttle bus to Enlighten.

The shuttle bus is free.



The shuttle bus

- has an accessibility ramp
- has a low, flat floor



The shuttle bus can pick you up from and drop you off at:

- Civic Bus Interchange
- London Circuit, Civic
- Enlighten
- Australian Parliament House



You can see the shuttle bus times and map on the website:

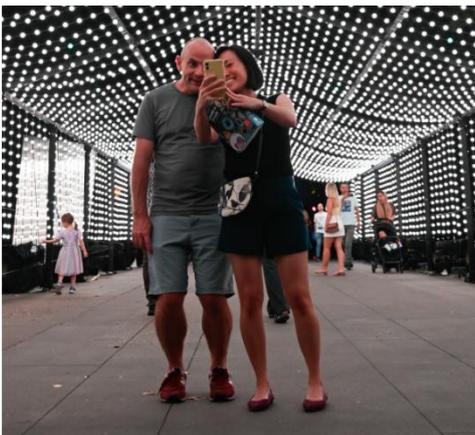
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Getting Around Enlighten



You can walk around the event to see the lights and art.

The Enlighten area is big.



Some of the footpaths are paved.



Food and music areas are on grass.

Enlighten Maps



You can use a map to find things at Enlighten.



You can get a map from the information booth at Enlighten.

It is in the Festival Hub at Reconciliation Place.



You can see the Enlighten map on the website:

enlightencanberra.com/event-information/festival-map/

Interactive Map

You can use a, interactive map called BindiMaps.

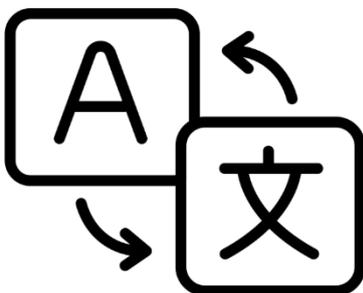
You will find BindiMaps on the website:
enlightencanberra.com/interactive-map/



You can use BindiMaps to plan your visit from home.

You can use BindiMaps to find

- the lights
- food areas
- parking
- toilets
- paths that are easy to move on.



You can choose different languages on BindiMaps.

How we support you at Enlighten

Mobility Hire

At Enlighten



- you can borrow a wheelchair



- you can borrow a mobility scooter



You can hire them at the website:

events.humanitix.com/enlighten-mobility-hire



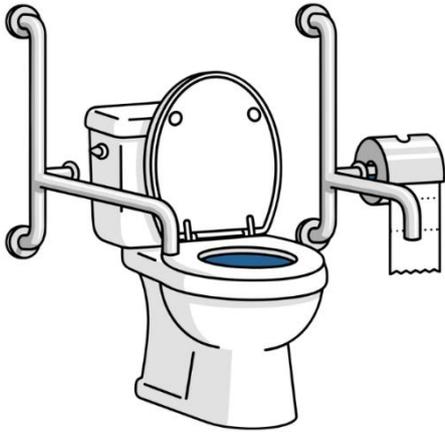
You can call us to ask about hire on
0450 962 242.

Accessible Toilets

There are accessible toilets at the event.

The accessible toilets:

- have handrails.
- have swinging doors.



You can find the toilets on the map on the website:

enlightencanberra.com/event-information/festival-map/

Changing Places facility

There is a **Changing Places facility** at Enlighten.

A Changing Places facility

- is for people who need help to use the toilet
- has more space to move around
- has items to help people use the toilet.



You can find the Changing Places facility on the map on the website:

enlightencanberra.com/event-information/festival-map/



You must ask someone at the First Aid tent to open it for you.

Sensory friendly night



Sensory friendly night is on Monday 2 March.

It is on from 5:00pm to 11:00pm



- there is less sound.



- there is less light.



This helps people with sensory needs.

Assistance Animals



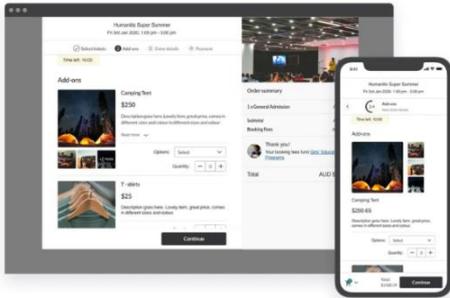
You can bring your **assistance animal** to Enlighten.

An assistance animal is trained to help you with a disability.



Assistance animals must have a lead on all the time.

Tickets



Most of Enlighten is free.

Some activities need tickets.

You can buy tickets on the website:

enlightencanberra.com/program/



Companion Card

To use a Companion card you must ask the people who run the activity.

You can email or call them to ask about Companion cards.



You can find their email and phone number on the website:

enlightencanberra.com/program/

If you need help or more information



Staff and volunteers can help you at Enlighten.



Before you come to Enlighten:

- You can email us at events@act.gov.au



- You can call the Canberra Region Visitor Centre on [1300 554 114](tel:1300554114) between 9:00am and 5:00pm.

This is the first Easy Read Guide made for Enlighten Festival.

You can give us feedback to help us improve.

Please email us at events@act.gov.au