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# Accessibility and Sensory Event Guide

**Roy Hill New Year's Eve Celebrations**

**ROY HILL**



# Introduction

The City of Perth is proud to host accessible and inclusive events designed to make everyone feel welcome and included.

Within this guide you can find maps and details about the Roy Hill New Year's Eve Celebrations to help you plan your day.

We welcome your feedback and would love to hear your recommendations for improvement in future years. Please email [info@cityofperth.wa.gov.au](mailto:info@cityofperth.wa.gov.au) or phone **9461 3333** to provide your feedback.

## Getting to the Roy Hill New Year's Eve Celebrations

To ensure public safety, there are road closures in place. The information below will help you plan your journey.

### Road Closures

- A map of the road closures is included at the end of this guide.
- Upon completion of the events, roads will be opened as soon as it is deemed safe to do so.

### ACROD Parking

ACROD parking is available at:

- City of Perth Parking Convention Centre (21 Mounts Bay Road and Mitchell Freeway, Perth)
  - Due to road closures on William Street, the pedestrian and vehicle exit from the City of Perth Parking Convention Centre car park to William Street/Birdiya Drive will be closed during this event from 7pm to 1am. Patrons are directed to exit via Mounts Bay Road and safely cross William Street at the pedestrian crossing.
- City of Perth Parking Terrace Road (165 Terrace Road, Perth)



Download the CPP Mobile Parking app for additional details on Parking in the City – [www.cityofperthparking.com.au](http://www.cityofperthparking.com.au) or call **1300 889 613**.

### Free Night Time Parking

Free night time parking is available after 6pm at all City of Perth car parks. Head to [www.cityofperthparking.com.au](http://www.cityofperthparking.com.au) for more information.

## Public Transport

- Elizabeth Quay is easily accessible by public transport, a short distance from the Elizabeth Quay Train and Bus Station and the Transperth Ferry terminal located in the inlet.
- SmartRider card holders can travel for free on all Transperth train, bus, and ferry services. SmartRider cards can be purchased at Transperth InfoCentres and selected SmartRider Retail Sales Outlets. Visit [www.transperth.wa.gov.au/SmartRider/Retail-Outlets](http://www.transperth.wa.gov.au/SmartRider/Retail-Outlets) for more details.
- Remember to use the Journey Planner at [www.transperth.wa.gov.au](http://www.transperth.wa.gov.au) for the latest information before you travel.
- For more information, call **13 62 13 (TIS: 13 14 50)**.
- Hearing or speech impaired? Call via **NRS 133 677** and ask for **13 62 13**.

**Wheelchairs, prams and other wheeled vehicles are not permitted on escalators and passengers are required to use the lifts if travelling with these items.**

## Trains

Additional trains will be available to service increased crowds. Please visit [www.transperth.wa.gov.au](http://www.transperth.wa.gov.au) for the latest information before you travel.

### **Armadale and Thornlie trainline:**

- **Armadale/Thornlie Line** is shut until mid-2025. During the shutdown, there will be no train services between Armadale/Thornlie and Victoria Park. Trains will continue to operate from Platform 5 between Victoria Park and Perth stations.

## Buses

- Additional buses will be available to service increased crowds. Please visit [www.transperth.wa.gov.au](http://www.transperth.wa.gov.au) for the latest information before you travel.
- The free Blue CAT bus stops near the Bell Tower.
- **Armadale/Thornlie Line:** Replacement buses will be running to support the train shutdown. For information on these replacement buses, please go to Armadale and Thornlie Line Shutdown ([transperth.wa.gov.au](http://transperth.wa.gov.au))

## Ferries

Ferry Services will operate on a standard timetable, with a brief pause during the fireworks at 8:30pm and Midnight.





# Sensory Guide

## Roy Hill New Year's Eve Celebrations

We hope this guide will assist your family in planning your visit to the Roy Hill New Year's Eve Celebrations.

Within the guide you will find a rating grid at the bottom of each page. We encourage parents and/or guardians to use the grid to measure the accessibility of each activity between 1 and 5, with 1 being 'simple' and 5 being 'complex'. This may assist in making decisions about what to see and do, appropriate to the individual needs of your family member.

Feedback is important to us. If you have any queries prior to the day, or have any feedback on this guide, or the event, please contact [info@cityofperth.wa.gov.au](mailto:info@cityofperth.wa.gov.au) or call **9461 3333**.



# Roving Entertainment and Activities

There are many free entertainment options located around the Elizabeth Quay inlet and Barrack Square. Here you will find a variety of roving entertainers, free children's workshops, family fun and circus performances.

Roving entertainers will be moving about the space and include interactive performances, stilt walkers, and light-up costumes. The Luminescence Circus Show will take place in Barrack Square with two performances at 7pm and 8pm. Workshops and activities include a roving bio glitter bar, giant bubbles station and a circus play workshop. Below you will find more details on the roving entertainment and activities to help inform your visit.

## Key Themes

Giant bubbles, hula hoops, large LED puppets, stilt walkers, bio glitter bar, circus workshops and performances.

## Considerations

Loud music, bright flashing lights, roving performers, soapy bubbles.

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| Black out              | No  |
| Lighting level         | Daylight with reduced lighting in the evening. Roving performers and workshops run from 5pm to 11.30pm. |
| Flashing lights/strobe | Some entertainer's costumes and props will include flashing lights.                                     |
| Loud sounds or noises  | Some entertainers will be carrying speakers with loud music.  |
| Repetitive noises      | Not applicable.   |
| High-pitch tones       | Yes (music, children screaming and laughing).   |
| Unexpected sounds      | Yes, the entertainers may shout or call out during their performance.                                   |
| Background music       | Yes, music will be played in the background.  |

## Interaction and Participation

### Activity Information:

Patrons can partake in activities at various levels of participation. Operators can advise on how challenging an activity or workshop is and all activities can be viewed before deciding upon participation.

### Workshop/Manual activity:

The hula-hoop workshops and circus play activities will require physical participation through hip movement, juggling, balancing and throwing.

### Are participants expected to use materials or tools?

Yes, the hula-hoop workshops and bubble zone may require the use of props, including hula hoops, bubble wands and bubble blowers.

### Is it okay for a parent or guardian to support an attendee in participation?

Parents and guardians can support attendees by accompanying them during the workshop or activity. Operators will advise parents and guardians when they cannot be involved in an activity to support their family member.

### If an attendee is slower in their movements, is there a capacity to participate?

Yes, the activity staff are aware that all individuals have different movement speeds; if an attendee's movement is slower than other participants, it is encouraged that the parent or guardian brings this to the attention of the designated workshop staff.





## Activity Durations

Workshops and activities can be engaged with for as long as an attendee desires. The Luminescence Circus Show has a duration of 30 minutes, and patrons can come and go from the audience as needed.

## Senses, Emotions and Effects

Some workshops require physical exertion, and the difficulty levels can vary depending on an attendee's capabilities. We recommend you observe others engaging with these workshops to determine if you or your family member can participate.

## Venue Information

**Entry:** Workshops and activities are in an open, outdoor space, laid out across the Quay and Barrack Square.

**Enclosed or open space:** Open spaces in an outdoor venue.

**Density:** The workshops are spread across 600 square metres however, are expected to become busy at different times of the day, particularly after 6pm.

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# Ticketed Amusements and Rides

A range of ticketed sideshow games and mechanical amusement rides will be available, including the Dream Swinger, Cup & Saucer, Taxi Jets and more. These are at the cost to the participant.

Below you will find more details the carnival amusements to help inform your visit.

## Key Themes

Laughing clowns, swings, cup and saucer and other amusement rides, giant bubbles, hula hoops, roving entertainment.

## Considerations

Heights, loud music, metallic clashing noises, long queues, crowded areas, large moving inflatable obstructions, bright flashing lights.

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| Black out              | No   |
| Lighting level         | Daylight with reduced lighting in the evening. Amusements and games run from 5pm to 12.30am.   |
| Flashing lights/strobe | Some amusement rides located within the Quay will include flashing lights.   |
| Loud sounds or noises  | Some amusement rides in this zone will include loud music and operational/mechanical clashing sounds.                                      |
| Repetitive noises      | Yes, at amusement rides and sideshow alley when they are in operation.   |
| High-pitch tones       | Yes (music, children screaming and laughing, regular mechanical noises)  |
| Unexpected sounds      | Yes, when the amusement rides first start after loading children. Children's screams (potentially) for more scary rides.                   |
| Background music       | Yes, music will be played in the background, and some amusement rides may have their music playing, this broadcast will be at a low level. |

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## Interaction and Participation

### Activity Information:

Patrons can partake in activities at various levels of participation. Operators can advise on how challenging an activity is and all activities can be viewed before deciding upon participation.

### Workshop/Manual activity:

The rides require you to be secured with no manual activity required; there are varying levels of intensity to the amusements.

### Are participants expected to use materials or tools?

No.

### Is it okay for a parent or guardian to support an attendee in participation?

Parents and guardians can support an attendee by accompanying them in the following activities in this zone: Cup and Saucer, Fiesta Balloon, Fishing Pond and other amusements. Operators will advise parents and guardians when they cannot be involved in an activity to support their family member.

### If an attendee is slower in their movements than others, is there a capacity to participate?

Yes, the activity staff are aware that all individuals have different movement speeds; if an attendee's movement is slower than other participants, it is encouraged that the parent or guardian brings this to the attention of the designated workshop staff.



## Activity Durations

Each amusement ride is expected to last between approximately two and a half minutes to four minutes long. Some amusements and games are more flexible than others and can be enjoyed for as little time as anyone would like, however others have a start and finish point with no exits throughout the ride. Parents are encouraged to consider their family member's ability to complete these longer obstacle courses and we recommend you discuss with the amusement operator if you are unsure of the activity.

## Senses, Emotions and Effects

The Dream Swinger and Storm could be considered 'scary rides' with fast spinning movements and/or being upside down at a decent height. We recommend you observe others using these amusements to determine if you or your family member can participate.

## Venue Information

**Entry:** Amusements are in an open, outdoor space, laid out across the Quay.

**Enclosed or open space:** Open spaces in an outdoor venue.

**Density:** The Amusements are spread across 600 square metres; however, they are expected to become busy at different times of the day, particularly after 6pm.

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## Light Show

The centre of the event is two 15-minute fireworks displays over the Swan River, commencing at 8.30pm and again at midnight. This is accompanied by a music soundtrack, broadcast from speakers along Elizabeth Quay, Barrack Square and the Foreshore near Birdya Drive.

## Accessible Viewing Area

- The Accessible Viewing Area will provide a fenced-off, non-crowded space for people with a disability, including people with sensory sensitivity, from 5pm – 1am.
- The area is located in front of the carousel along the landing of Elizabeth Quay. There will be flag banners to mark this area.
- We advise you to arrive at the viewing area before 7pm as the areas around the enclosed zone will get crowded and will make it difficult to reach.

## Auslan

Auslan Interpreting services will be available for both displays of the light show component of the program 8.30pm – 8.45pm, and midnight – 12.15am for those with hearing impairments.

## Key Themes

Fireworks, colours, music, lights.

### Considerations

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| Black out              | Due to potential strobe and flashing fireworks that are displayed at night-time, there can be the possibility of attendees to have a reaction, resulting in fainting, dizziness and worst case, seizures.                                      |
| Lighting level         | It will be darker as the sun goes down from around 8pm.<br>The fireworks will light up the sky and make the area brighter.   |
| Flashing lights/strobe | Yes – fireworks have a strobe/flashing-like effect.  |
| Loud sounds or noises  | Yes – fireworks have a large ‘bang’ when fired. A backing track will be louder at this time through speakers to add to the exciting atmosphere.  |
| Repetitive noises      | Yes – fireworks will be repeatedly fired for 15 minutes.   |
| High-pitch tones       | Yes – some fireworks have a high-pitched ‘whistle’ noise.  |
| Unexpected sounds      | Yes – the fireworks will have a variety of different sounds at different times.  |
| Background music       | Yes – the City of Perth will be playing soundtrack audio on the speakers in Elizabeth Quay and Barrack Square.<br>If your child/attendee does not enjoy loud noises or music, we recommend bringing earmuffs to reduce noise during this time. |

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## Interaction and Participation

### Activity Information

No other activities during this time, viewing of the fireworks show only.

### Workshop/Manual activity

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### Are participants expected to use materials or tools?

No.

### Is it okay for a parent or guardian to support an attendee in participation?

Not applicable.

### If an attendee is slower in their movements than others, is there a capacity to participate?

Not applicable.

## Activity Durations

Spectators can come and go as they please, however crowds will be dense at this time. The firework show lasts for 15 minutes from 8.30pm – 8:45pm, and again at midnight – 12.15am.

## Senses, Emotions and Effects

There will be distinctive smells from the fireworks, which may be stronger or weaker depending on the direction of the wind that evening. Smoke will be visible from the fireworks. There are a number of different special effects within the firework displays in the air above the Swan River.

## Venue Information

**Enclosed or open space:** Open spaces in an outdoor venue.

**Density:** Crowd density will be high during the firework show, with many thousands of spectators expected. The information (above) regarding the viewing area provides a 'safe zone' with other families who have a disability and a small relief from the anticipated busy crowds. Families are also welcome to wait in this zone, or the nearby Sensory Space, until some of the crowds disperse after 8.30pm, so it is less overwhelming upon departure of the event.

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## Sensory Space

The event atmosphere may be overwhelming or over-stimulating at times and somewhere quiet may assist to decompress. A dedicated 'Sensory Space' is available at this event and is located opposite the First Aid Post (refer to the map on page 15). The Sensory Space is an enclosed marquee with dim lighting and bean bags. Feel free to visit between 5pm and 1am. Minors under 12 years old must be accompanied by an adult in the Sensory Space.

## Assistant Animal Relief Area

- An assistant animal relief area will be provided alongside the accessible toilets on Geoffrey Bolton Avenue.
- Dog bags, a water bowl and a bin are available for patrons needing to use the area with their support animal.

## Food Options

- There is a variety of food and drink options around the Elizabeth Quay Inlet and Barrack Square.
- All vendors will be happy to assist in taking your order.

## Toilets

- There are two temporary accessible toilets and 40 all-gender toilets on Geoffrey Bolton Avenue, 20 all-gender toilets at Barrack Square and 5 all-gender toilets at the Foreshore.
- 8 permanent accessible toilet and adult changeroom can be found at the Elizabeth Quay permanent toilets on Geoffrey Bolton Avenue, and at Barrack Square.
- Refer to the maps for exact locations of the accessible and all-gender toilets.

## Baby Change Rooms and Changing Places

- The parent's room and Changing Places facility exist in the permanent facilities in Elizabeth Quay and Barrack Square. Changing Places requires a MLAK key.

## Discrimination and Harassment

- This is an inclusive event that welcomes everyone regardless of gender, race, religion, disability, or sexual orientation.
- This event has zero tolerance for discrimination or harassment, including homophobia, transphobia, racism, and ableism.
- If you experience discrimination or harassment at this event, please alert your nearest security or event officer. The officer can ensure your removal from the situation if you feel unsafe, prioritising your safety and comfort, and providing tailored assistance as needed.
- Persons displaying discriminating, offensive or harassing behaviour will not be tolerated and will be requested to be moved on from the event with the support of Police.



\*For detailed water closure information, please visit the Department of Transport's website — Temporary Notices to Mariners.

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## ELIZABETH QUAY & BARRACK STREET MAP

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|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Viewing Area                   | AUSLAN Interpreting           |
| Exclusion Zone                 | Sensory Friendly Space        |
| Speakers                       | First Aid                     |
| Entertainment                  | Assistance Animal Relief Area |
| Fun Fair                       | Road Closure 7pm – 1am        |
| Christmas Installation         | Road Closure 3pm – 2am        |
| Food Vendors                   | Road Closure 2pm – 2am        |
| Toilets (including accessible) | ACROD Parking                 |
| Accessible Viewing Area        | City of Perth Parking         |



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