**BSL Interpreted**

For our D/deaf audiences, the Festival’s spoken sections will be BSL interpreted on stage and on screen. Pre-recorded films will also be captioned.

**Audio Description**

For audiences with a visual impairment, we have Live Audio Description available throughout the Festival. Headsets are available for pick-up and return near the Accessible Viewing Area.

**Accessible Viewing**

There will be limited general seating options, but a designated Accessible Viewing Area will be made available for wheelchair users and those who are unable to stand for a long period of time. Our Volunteer Team will be happy to show you to this area.

**Our Festival programme features four access icons to guide you through any potentially sudden elements of the performances under each event. Please find a description of each access badge below.**

**Visual Effects**

This badge signifies that the performance will contain sudden and/or flashing visual elements (colourful smoke, fireworks, etc.)

**Sound Effects**

This badge signifies that the performance will contain sudden and/or loud sound elements (confetti canons, bangs, fireworks, etc.)

**Changing Environment**

This badge signifies that the performance may require audiences to move and engage with performers on-the-ground, or may feature performers moving around the audience area.

**Content Warning**

All of our performances are suitable for the public realm and will not contain graphic descriptions of harmful topics. However, some performances make reference to topics that may be potentially distressing to audiences. Please refer to each event where you see this badge to find out more about its content.

**Please note that ear defenders will be available for pick-up near the Accessible Viewing Area.**

Assistance animals are permitted, but please be aware there will be loud noises and loud music as part of the programme which takes place in the public realm.

Access into the show is step-free, and the majority of the square is level, however please note there are some raised steps around the periphery of the square next to the Repertory Theatre.

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Our helpful volunteers will help point you out to the accessible toilets nearest to the site!

**ICC Birmingham**

The accessible toilet is approximately 75 metres from the Centenary Square entrance. There is ramped/sloped or stepped access into the accessible toilet.

**The Exchange – University of Birmingham**

This accessible toilet is located to the rear left of the banking hall foyer, approximately 40 metres from the north entrance.

**The REP**

Accessible toilets are available on the ground floor and mezzanine levels of the foyer.

If you need any further information, please email: **hello@birminghamfestival23.co.uk**