# Somerville Auditorium

**Visual Story** 

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This venue guide is to help me prepare for my visit to Somerville Auditorium. Somerville Auditorium is a place I can go to watch films and Lotterywest Festival Films.



#### Before I leave home

I should choose the film I want to see before I arrive. It is a good idea to pre-book my ticket online. If I've pre-booked my ticket, I need to download the e-ticket before arriving at the venue.

If I'm planning a few visits, I can buy a film voucher and redeem it on a specific night using the Perth Festival WebChat.

I should arrive early to make sure I get in and can find the best spot to watch the film.

It is a good idea to bring a blanket and cushion for comfort and warmth as it can become very cold!

I can wear whatever clothes make me feel comfortable so that I can enjoy the film.



#### When to arrive at the venue

Doors to Somerville Auditorium will open at 6pm and the films usually begin at 8pm or 8:30pm but it is important to check the time of the show I am seeing.

I can arrive at least 15-30 minutes before my show begins so I have time to find a good seat, buy some food and drink and go to the bathroom.



## Preparing for my visit

I can call the venue before I arrive at the venue on 08 6488 7092 if I have any questions.



#### Where is Somerville Auditorium?

Somerville Auditorium is located at The University of Western Australia at 35 Stirling Highway, Crawley WA 6009



## Where can I be dropped off?

The closest drop off point is Car Park 1 (P1 on the map) at the UWA Recreation Centre.

There is another drop off at Car Park 2 (P2 on the map) as well as at Hackett Entrance 1



## Where can I park my car?

The closest accessible parking is available at the UWA Recreation Centre, Car Park 1 (P1 on the map) or Car Park 2 (P2 on the map).



#### Inside Somerville Auditorium

There are many deckchairs with cushions as well as bean bags to choose from. Or, I could bring my own picnic blanket and place it on the grass.

I can save a seat for myself or a friend by placing an item like a jacket on it. I should only save a few seats at most because everyone else will be trying to find a seat too.



### Catching the bus to Somerville Auditorium

Buses frequently travel past UWA along Stirling Highway and Mounts Bay Road.

The link below shows a variety of bus routes I can take to get to UWA.

https://www.transport.uwa.edu.au/public



#### The Box Office

When I arrive, I might need to collect my ticket from the Box Office. I can also go to the Box Office to purchase a ticket or if I have lost my ticket.



#### Food and Drink

Once I enter the Auditorium, I can buy food and drink from the food stalls located near the entrance.





#### Accessible Bathrooms

There is an accessible bathroom in the UWA Octagon Theatre Foyer. There is another in the UWA Music building.

Both of these are external to the venue so I will have to exit Somerville Auditorium and make my way through UWA to the bathrooms.





#### **Tickets**

When I get to the doors of the Auditorium, I should show my ticket to the usher.

If I have an e-ticket downloaded on my phone, I should turn my phone brightness up so the ticket is visible on the screen.

If I need assistance to the seats, I can let the usher know.

Somerville has a pass-out system in place. If I need to leave the venue prior to the film, I can see the usher to get a pass out.



#### Access inside the Somerville Auditorium

- Level access to the venue by a paved entry
- Venue flooring is a combination of paving and compact dirt
- No audio loop is available in Somerville Auditorium
- Wheelchair seating is available on the centre aisle in the back row of the front block. Two seats have been reserved on either side of these spaces for accompanying patrons. Wheelchair seating is also available on the side of the Auditorium
- Hard backed plastic chairs are available for patrons unable to sit in the deckchairs. These chairs may be used in the wheelchair areas only. Please speak to a staff member if you require a chair.



## Waiting for the film to begin

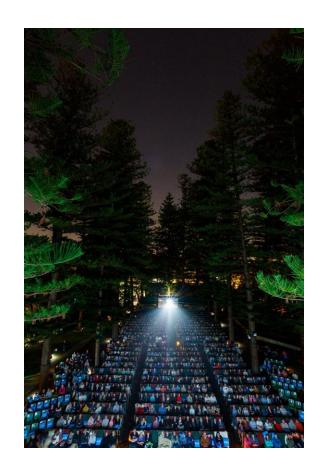
I will know the film is about to begin when I see images appear on the screen, the house lights start to dim, and people move to their seats.



#### What should I do if I'm uncomfortable?

If the lights or sounds are making me uncomfortable, I can close my eyes or cover my ears with my hands.

I can leave the Auditorium whenever I need to. If I need assistance to leave the venue, I can raise my hand and an usher will come help me.



### Quiet places

There are quiet places in the venue I can visit any time I need.

I can tell an usher and they can take me to a quiet place where I can become calm.

I can get up and take a stroll around the UWA campus whenever I need.



#### How do I know the film has finished?

The screen will go black, and the closing credits will play. The house lights will come on and people around me may begin to leave the venue. This is how I will know the film has finished and I can leave.

It will be very busy because everybody is leaving the venue. I can wait in my seat until everyone leaves so it is easier for me to leave the venue.

