Visual Story: Agnes Etherington Art Centre



Image: Agnes's front entrance on University Avenue

Welcome to Agnes Etherington Art Centre (Agnes). Agnes is an art gallery located on the Queen's University campus at 36 University Avenue. The gallery is on the northwest corner of University Avenue and Bader Lane.

This document is a visual resource that will help you prepare for and know what to expect during your visit to Agnes.

It contains information about

- 1. Current COVID-19 safety protocols and hours
- 2. Directions to the gallery
- 3. What to expect when you are inside the building

Current COVID-19 Safety Protocols

Aligned with current university, municipal and provincial guidelines, the gallery has enacted a variety of health and safety measures to keep you safe during your visit.



Visitors to Queen's University must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. Please be prepared to show proof of vaccination, if requested. Proof of Vaccination may include official vaccination receipts in combination with photo ID or other official documentation or record.



On the day of your visit, before arrival, please complete Queen's COVID-19 screening questionnaire:

https://queensu.apparmor.com/WebApp/default.aspx?menu=New+Web+ Assessment



Maintain a physical distance of 2 meters between yourself and other groups while in the building. Capacity limits are posted in all gallery spaces.



Wash your hands frequently. Hand sanitizer is available inside the main entrance and at the entrance to the galleries. Queen's staff will regularly sanitize high-touch surfaces.



Everyone is required to wear a mask or face covering over mouth, nose and chin while inside the building. Agnes can provide a disposable mask if you require one.

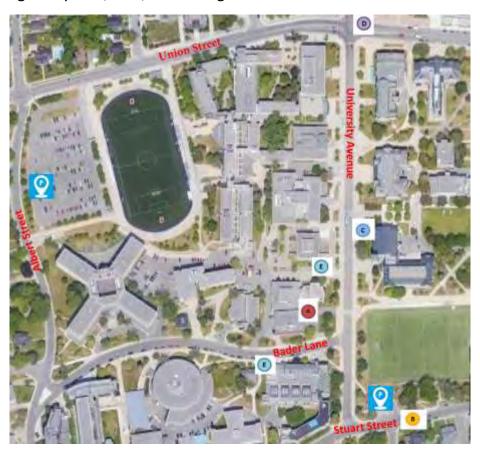
Agnes Hours

Tuesday–Friday, 10 am–4:30 pm
Thursday, 10 am–9 pm
Saturday and Sunday, 1–5 pm
Holiday Mondays, 1–5 pm (May–September)

Admission to Agnes is free. Donations are welcome.

Getting Here: Finding the Building

This is a map of the area surrounding Agnes Etherington Art Centre. You can get to Agnes by foot, bike, car or Kingston Transit.



- Agnes Etherington Art Centre Main Entrance
- Bus route 20 (operating September–April) and express routes 501, 502, 601, 602, 801, 802 stop nearby at Kingston General Hospital, on Stuart Street.
- Agnes is on Kingston Transit bus routes 1, 2, 17 and 18, on University Avenue.
- Bus routes 601 and 801 also stop at Stauffer Library, on Union Street West, one block north of Agnes.
- Bike racks
- Parking

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If you are traveling by bus, Kingston Transit Express routes 501, 502, 601, 602, 801, 802 stop nearby at Kingston General Hospital, on Stuart Street.





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Image (left): View of Kingston General Hospital Bus Stop on North Side of Stuart Street. Image (right): View of Agnes from Stuart Street looking northwest on University Ave

From the Kingston General Hospital bus stop on Stuart Street you will head west to University Avenue. You will turn right on University Avenue to head north. Agnes will be on your left just north of Bader Lane.

If you are traveling by Kingston Transit bus routes 1, 2, 17 and 18, you will exit on University Avenue just north of Agnes.



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Image: View of Agnes looking south from the bus stop on University Avenue.

Getting Here by Bike

Bike racks are available at the north side of the building in front of Jeffrey Hall's south entrance. See map on page 3 for bike rack locations.

Getting Here by Car

Enjoy free surface parking on Queen's campus on weekends and after 5 pm weekdays.

Two paid parking lots are available nearby. Entrance to the underground lot is from Stuart Street, immediately east of University Avenue. The second lot is beside Tindall Field: enter from Albert Street, between Bader Lane and Union Street. See map on page 3 for parking locations.

Stuart Street underground parking rate: \$1.50 per 30 minutes. Daily maximum \$20. Tindall Field surface parking rate: \$1.50 per 30 minutes. Daily maximum \$10.50.

Accessible Wayfinding

If you are traveling by car and require wheelchair accessible parking, Agnes has a permit for Accessible Parking Space # 1011 located on Bader Lane at the corner of University Avenue. To reserve the permit for accessible parking, please phone Agnes in advance of your visit at 613-533-2190 or email your request to aeac@queensu.ca.

When you arrive at the Reception desk, let them know your name and that you have reserved the Accessible Parking space. They will give you a temporary permit to display on your dashboard. You may also call 613-533-2190 when you arrive, and if staff are available, they can bring the pass out to you. You will need to return the permit when you leave.

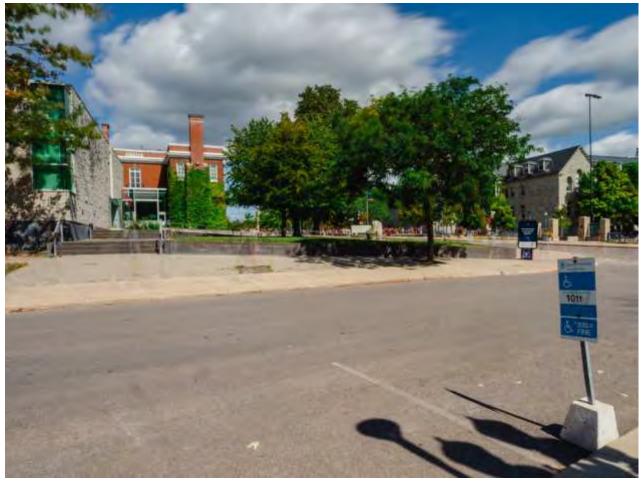


Image: View of Accessible Parking on Bader Lane at University Avenue.

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Agnes's main entrance is on the opposite side of Bader Lane facing University Avenue. You can access the main entrance off Bader Lane or University Avenue. The accessibility ramp is located off University Avenue. Follow Bader Lane east to University Avenue, cross at the crosswalk heading north on University Avenue. The Accessible Ramp will be on your left.



Image: View of Agnes's Main Entrance off University Avenue and location of accessibility ramp.



Image: Steps to Agnes's Main Entrance approaching from Bader Lane. The Main Entrance doors are on the left after the second set of steps.

When you reach the Main Entrance, the automatic door button is located on your right. After you pass through the first doors, you will see an identical second set of doors. The automatic door button for the second set of doors will be located inside the first set of doors on your right.



Image: Agnes's Main Entrance with automatic door opener circled.



Image: Agnes's Main Entrance with interior automatic door openers circled. Accessing the interior buttons when the doors open is poorly designed and difficult to navigate. We will improve access as part of our redevelopment project: Agnes Reimagined.

Inside the Building

The Atrium

When you enter the building, you will be in the Atrium. Directly in front of you will be a security area enclosed in plexiglass. To your left, you will see a smaller Reception desk enclosed in plexiglass.

The Atrium may look different depending on what exhibitions are on display. The wood paneled wall behind the Reception desk may be removed creating an open space with high ceilings.

The Receptionist will greet you when you arrive and ask for your name and phone number or email for contact tracing purposes. They will invite you to use hand sanitizer and will provide you some information about the exhibitions. They can help you find your way to the washrooms, galleries, Etherington House, cloak room and seating.





Image (left): View of Reception Desk which will be on your left when you enter the Atrium. Image (right): View of security area directly in front of you. You can pick up pamphlets and exhibition materials here.

Cloak Room

Bags larger than a notebook are not permitted in the galleries. During winter months, you may also wish to remove heavy coats for comfort before entering the galleries. Cubbies are available beside the Reception desk where you can store your items. Or, you can find the Cloak Room by walking past the security desk, past the gallery doors on your left, just past the ramp on your right. The entrance to the Cloak Room will be on your right.



Images (left to right): View from Atrium hallway to the cloak room; View of entrance to cloak room from hallway.

Washrooms

Washrooms are located down the hallway to the left of the security area, past the Reception desk.





Image (left): View down hallway toward washrooms, entrance to washrooms is on the left.





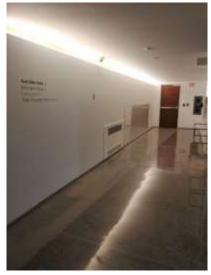
Image (left to right): View of entrance to Women's washroom; View inside Women's washroom. Washroom includes five stalls, one accessible, three sinks and an infant changing station.





Image (left to right): View of entrance to Men's washroom; View inside Men's washrooms. Washroom includes three stalls, one accessible, two urinals, three sinks and an infant changing station.

Single Occupancy washrooms are available on the second floor in Etherington House. Proceed past the security desk, past the gallery doors on your left and proceed up the ramp on your right. The ramp will end at Etherington House. Proceed through the Green Room, left into the Salon and continue to the staircase. The Single Occupancy washrooms are at the top of the stairs on the left.







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Image (left to right): View from Atrium to hallway leading to Etherington House; View looking up stairs from Etherington House; Door closed to Single Occupancy washrooms.







Images (left to right) Washroom entrance with doors open; View of the two washrooms through the main door; one has one stall, the other has two stalls.

Agnes Galleries-Isabel and Alfred Bader Wing

To access the galleries, walk past the security desk and turn left. The gallery doors will be in front of you. The automatic door opener is on the wall to the right of the doors. Visitors should not touch the art or lean against walls. Pens are not permitted in the galleries.



Images (top to bottom): View of the gallery doors from the Atrium; View of doors to the galleries with accessible door open button circled.



The galleries are configured in a loop. Some galleries have doors between them, each with accessible door openers. Your experience of the galleries will be different depending on the exhibitions. You may find the temperature and humidity different in the galleries than in the Atrium. You may hear sounds from installations, or the space may be quiet. Some galleries may have low or bright lighting.

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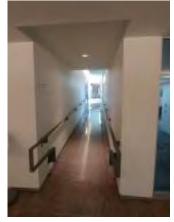


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Image: Map of galleries

Etherington House

Etherington House is the original home of Agnes Etherington. Exhibitions are on display throughout the main floor of Etherington House and in the Franks Gallery, located in Etherington House. To access Etherington House, proceed past the security desk, past the gallery doors on your left and proceed up the ramp on your right. The ramp will end at Etherington House and the André Biéler Studio.







Images (left to right): View from the bottom of the ramp to Etherington House; View of Etherington House entrance; View of the Salon in Etherington House

The André Biéler Studio (the Studio)

Many art making programs at Agnes occur in the Studio. To access, proceed past the security desk, past the gallery doors on your left and proceed up the ramp. When you reach the top of the ramp, make a left and you will see the Studio door. This space may look different depending on how tables are arranged or if easels are set up. Lighting may be bright or lowered.







Images (left to right): View from the bottom of the ramp to Etherington House; View of Studio entrance; View of the Studio