

Social Story

Cooper Hewitt Smithsonian Design Museum



Guided School Tours
and Student Visits to the
Cooper Hewitt, Smithsonian Design Museum

Today I am going to visit
Cooper Hewitt, Smithsonian Design Museum
located at 2 East 91st Street between Madison and Fifth Avenue.



I will get a Cooper Hewitt sticker to put on my clothes.



I will explore lots of different things.
I will be able to make my own designs, too.



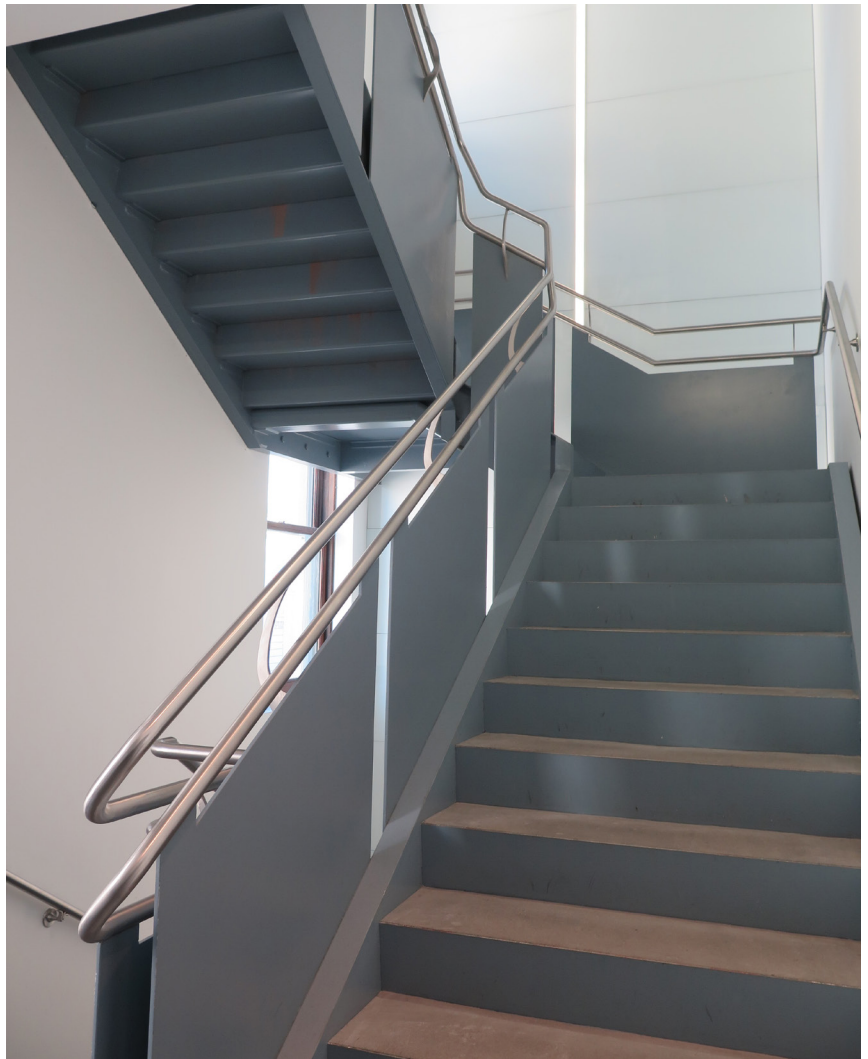
When our group arrives at the museum, we will go up a few stairs to the Great Hall. A museum **educator** will greet us there.

We will also see **security guards** around the museum. Security guards are at the museum to make sure we are safe.



We will take the **stairs** or **elevator** to the Ground Floor (G).

When we get to the Ground Floor, we will put our backpacks and jackets into a grey bin so we don't have to carry it around during our visit.



The educator we are with will tell us what we will do next. First, we will talk about important rules we need to follow to keep ourselves and the objects safe.

I can be safe in the museum by:

- Not bringing food or drink into the galleries.
- Using my walking feet.
- Using quiet voices in the galleries.
- Looking with my eyes, not with my hands.

If I need a quiet break, I can ask to take a break.

If I need to use the toilet, I can ask to go to the bathroom. My teacher can help me get there.

While we are visiting the museum, we will do both a **workshop** and a **tour**.



For the workshop we will create our own designs using different materials. The educator we are with will guide us through the steps. We might be **brainstorming** with pencils and paper or **create prototypes** with cardboard and tape. Our workshop activity will be related to what we are looking at during the tour.

During the museum tour, we will learn about the design objects that we see in the galleries. We will ask questions and have a conversation about the exhibitions we are looking at.



If we left our coats and backpacks in grey bins we will pick them up and will be ready to and leave. The museum educator will give our teacher passes for us to come back in the future if we want to.

