

MY VISIT TO TECH TALES

Visual story

I will be visiting the Tech Tales Storyworld and I will use this visual story to prepare for my visit.

Tech Tales is an immersive exhibition for children and families. It is a storyworld with four spaces, where I will meet Allen, Desiree and Frog (animated characters).

I will listen to their stories and help them by drawing, touching objects, listening, making and exploring sounds and building things.

There is also a common space where I can draw, explore emotions, play a game or take a break.

BEFORE I VISIT

When can I visit?

WEEKEND FAMILY VISITS

Tech Tales is open to everyone on: 27-28 September and 3-4 October from 11am-6pm. Admission is free, no booking is required.

SCHOOL VISITS

From 29 September to 2 October, Tech Tales is open for pre-booked primary school classes from 10:30am-2:30pm. Admission is free.

SYMBOLS I WILL SEE IN THIS VISUAL STORY

The symbols in this guide help me know what I might see, hear, touch or do during my visit.

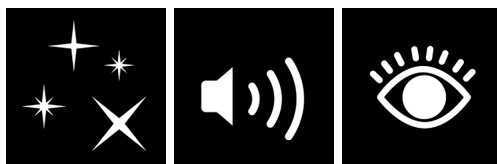
SENSORY SYMBOLS

Some parts of Tech Tales may have different sounds, lights and visual effects. If I have sensory sensitivities, I can bring something that helps me feel comfortable, such as:



Noise reducing headphones	Hat or sunglasses	Stimming, fidget toy or other comfort device
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These symbols will help me prepare for spaces that might have bright lights, loud sounds or be very visual.



Bright or changing lights	Loud or changing sounds	Moving images and visual effects
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If something feels too much, I can take a break in the common space or ask a staff member for help.

BEHAVIOR SYMBOLS

These symbols help me understand what I can do during the exhibition.



TOUCH

There are some display objects that I can touch.

Some things may feel rough, smooth, bumpy, soft or hard.



WAIT

I might have to wait in a queue for my turn.

I can play with something I have brought from home while I wait.



TAKE A BREAK

I can take a break when I need one. I can go to the common space to sit, relax,

Draw or play.

I can ask a staff member or the person I came with if I need help.



FOOD AND DRINK

I will not take any food or drink into the exhibition space.

This helps keep the exhibition and its objects clean and safe.

GETTING THERE

Where can I find Tech Tales?

The Tech Tales Storyworld is at the Vienna Design Week headquarters at Hietzinger Kai 101.



Finding the entrance

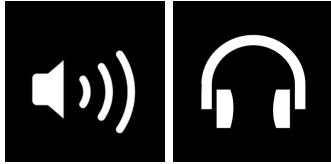
The entrance to the Tech Tales storyworld is separate from the main entrance to the building. It is located on the ground floor and can be accessed using stairs or a ramp.



How will I know I am there?

I will see the building and the Vienna Design Week signage.

The entrance is on a main road, so I may hear traffic or other sounds outside. If I am unsure where to go, I can ask a staff member for help.



ARRIVAL

If I am visiting with my school

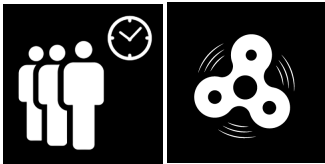
There will be staff members at the entrance. They welcome us and explain what Tech Tales is, what we can do, how long the visit will take and what will happen in different rooms.

We may be divided into smaller groups. My teacher and staff members will accompany us through the exhibition.

If I am visiting with family or friends

There may not be a staff member waiting directly at the entrance, but I will find them inside the exhibition space. I can recognize them because they will be wearing a Vienna Design Week jacket. I can ask for help if I need it.

The entrance may be busy. I might need to wait for my turn. If I need to wait, I can stay with the person or group I came with. I can play with something I have brought from home while I wait.



INSIDE TECH TALES

There are four spaces in the Tech Tales storyworld:

- (i) a common space: a place to arrive, to play, explore emotions, draw or take a break;
- (ii) Allen's room: I will listen to Allen's story and draw on a big magic lamp;
- (iii) Desiree's room: I will listen to Desiree's story and explore sounds by touching snowflake-like objects;
- (iv) Frog's room: I will listen to Frog's story and build objects by assembling pieces found on the floor.

I may visit the rooms in different orders.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN? /WHAT WILL TECH TALES FEEL LIKE?

Tech Tales is an immersive exhibition. This means that I will experience stories through sound, light, moving images and physical objects.

The rooms are quite dark, because animations and projections are shown on the walls. I will see moving images and animated characters on the walls. I will see changing lights and hear sounds.

Some parts of the exhibition might become louder and sometimes the sounds might overlap between rooms.

In some parts, the characters will ask me to interact with objects.

I can take a break in the common space whenever I want if I need one.

I do not have to do every activity. If I am unsure what to do, I can ask a staff member or the person I came with.

Allen's room



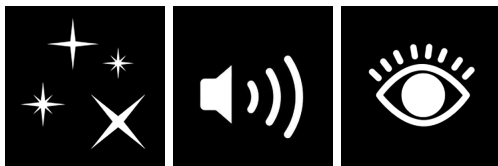
Here I will meet Allen. Allen has a secret dream and he is not sure whether he should tell other people about it.

I will listen to Allen's story. At one point, Allen will ask me to help him, and I will draw on a magic lamp. The lamp is a physical object in the room.

I will use special markers to draw on it, and at first I will not be able to see my drawings. This is intentional because the markers are special. At one point the room will become darker and UV lights will turn on. Then I will see the drawings appear on the lamp.

After Allen's story finishes, there will be music and a short mini-disco atmosphere. The lights and sounds may become more energetic at this point.

I can leave the room at any point and take a break in the common space if I want.



Desiree's room



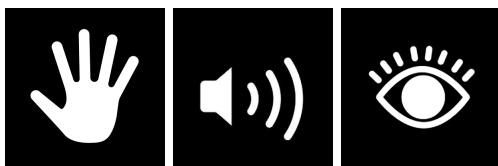
Here I will meet Desiree. Desiree is a little different: she always follows her heart, she notices things that other people sometimes miss, and she likes listening to the sound of snowflakes.

I will listen to her story.

At three points in the story, Desiree will ask me to explore sounds by touching objects. There are physical objects in the room that look like snowflakes.

When I touch them, they light up and make sounds. I can explore what happens when I touch them.

At one point in the story, the sounds of snowflakes can become a little distorted or glitch-like after I touch them. The sounds may feel unusual or unexpected, but this is done on purpose. At one point, some snowflakes might not work anymore, and I will have to find a solution to make them work again.



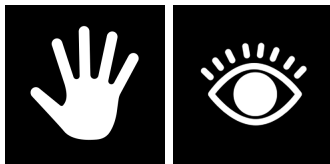
Frog's room



Here I will meet Frog. Frog lives peacefully by his pond, and then one day he meets a princess and enters a very different world.

I will listen to Frog's story. At three points in the story, Frog will ask me to help him, and I will build things using objects that will be placed on the floor.

I will pick up the objects and put them together to make a specific thing. I will do this three times during the story. I can work together with other children.

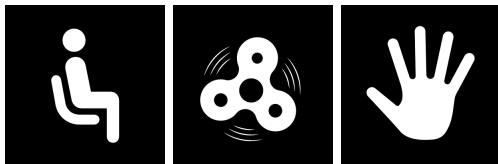


Common space



The common space is a place that is available to me at any point during my visit. I do not have to stay in the story rooms all the time. Here I can:

- Draw: i can make my own drawings and stories and become part of the exhibition
- Explore: there is a tablet with a simple game about emotions. I can explore how different emotions feel and how characters express them. I might see characters feeling: happy, sad, angry and afraid. I do not need to feel these emotions.
- Relax: there are three small tents where I can sit, relax and have some quiet time.



WHEN I AM READY TO LEAVE

I can exit the exhibition through the same door that I entered at the beginning. If I need help leaving, I can ask a member of staff to help me.

I will leave the exhibition with the person or group I arrived with.

If I came with my class, I will leave with my class and teacher.

If I came with my family and friends, I will leave with my family and friends.

I will not leave the exhibition on my own.

AFTER MY VISIT TO TECH TALES

The Tech Tales Storyworld continues. If I liked what I experienced, I can find more Twisted Tales at twistedtales.tv/de/maerchen/

