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### **Short Report**



Gutenberg Museum Mainz | @Carsten Costard

## **Gutenberg Museum Mainz**

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#### Welcome!

Experience the history of printing, books and writing "live": Two original Gutenberg Bibles are among the museum's greatest treasures. In the reconstructed Gutenberg workshop, there are hourly demonstrations of how printing was done in Gutenberg's day.

Changing special exhibitions showcase examples of historical and modern book and print art and typography, and bridge the gap to the 21st century.

In the print store, the museum's educational department, anyone interested can try out typesetting and printing for themselves under expert guidance.

## **TEST RESULT**

for

## **Gutenberg-Museum**

55116 Mainz, Certificate-ID: PA-10846-2022

Information about Accessibility



This offer was classified according to the criteria of the nationwide label

#### »Tourism for All«

and, in the period from

#### December 2022 – November 2025

is entitled to use the label

### »Accessibility Information«

in accordance with the contract.

## Information for people with walking difficulties and wheelchair users

Some **information on accessibility** are listed below. For detailed information please see the evaluation report.

- There are three marked parking spaces for people with disabilities.
- The bus stop "Höfchen/Listmann" is 300 m away.
- The paths from the car park and the bus stop to the entrance are partially not easy to walk and drive on.
- The building is accessible without steps.
- All evaluated rooms and facilities in the main building are accessible without steps via the elevator. The cabin is 140 cm x 160 cm.
- The basement in the main building with the Gutenberg workshop, the lecture hall and an exhibition room is only accessible to wheelchair users via the elevator when accompanied by a museum employee. The subsequent path through the heating cellar has a longitudinal gradient of 18 % over a distance of 1.60m. In the Gutenberg workshop, some showcases with exhibits are only accessible via two steps.
- The vault on the 2nd floor, where the Gutenberg Bibles are displayed, is only accessible via a 5 cm high threshold.
- The elevator car in the extension building is 109 cm x 152 cm. The elevator was severely damaged at the time of the evaluation and is not expected to be put back into service until the museum is demolished and rebuilt in the next few years.
- Almost all evaluated passageways/doors available to the guests are at least 88 cm wide. Exception: The narrowest passage in the special exhibition in the basement is 80 cm wide.
- The cash desk is 115 cm high.
- In the exhibition there are some seats available.
- The exhibits are predominately visible when seated. Information is predominately readable when seated.
- Guided tours for people with walking impairments and wheelchair users are offered. A reservation in advance is necessary. Mobile or fixed seats are available, which may be used during the guided tour. The entire route is stepless.
- Offered aids: folding stool

#### Public toilet for people with disabilities (ground floor)

- The manoeuvring spaces are:
   in front of/behind the door, in front of the toilet and the washbasin at least 115 cm x 190 cm;
   left side of the toilet 90 x 50 cm, right side of the toilet 53 cm x 55 cm.
- There are grab rails available on the right and left of the toilet. The grab rails can be flipped-up.
- The sink is wheelchair compatible.
- An alarm trigger is available.

# Information for people with hearing impairments and deaf people

Some **information on accessibility** are listed below. For detailed information please see the evaluation report.

- There is no alarm.
- There is no audio induction loop system.
- An outgoing emergency call in the elevator in the main building is not confirmed.
- There is no emergency call in the elevator in the extension building. The elevator was severely damaged at the time of the evaluation and is not expected to be put back into service until the museum is demolished and rebuilt in the next few years.
- The information on the exhibits is predominately provided in writing.
- There are no guided tours available for people with hearing impairment and deaf people.

## Information for visually impaired and blind people

Some **information on accessibility** are listed below. For detailed information please see the evaluation report.

- Assistance dogs are allowed in relevant areas/rooms.
- The evaluated areas that can be used by the guest are predominantly well lit, i.e. bright and glare-free. Since strong light harms the older exhibits, many areas of the museum are poorly lit.
- There are no visually contrasting or tactilely detectable floor indicators available.
- The signage is designed in clearly legible and contrasting font.
- There are glass doors without safety markings.
- An outgoing emergency call in the elevator in the main building is not confirmed.
- There is no emergency call in the elevator in the extension building. The elevator was severely damaged at the time of the evaluation and is not expected to be put back into service until the museum is demolished and rebuilt in the next few years.
- In both elevators, the break position is not announced by spoken commands. The operating controls are not visually rich in contrast, but tactilely detectable. Alternatively stairs are available.
- Steps are not visually rich in contrast. Stairs have at least a handrail on one side.
- The information on the exhibits is predominately provided in writing and is visually rich in contrast. There is an audio guide and relief books about Mainz
- Information is not available in Braille or prismatic font.

Guided tours are offered for people with visual impairments, but not for blind people.
 A reservation in advance is necessary. During the guided tours exponates for touch are integrated.

## Information for guests with cognitive impairments

Some **information on accessibility** are listed below. For detailed information please see the evaluation report.

- The name or logo of the facility is clearly recognizable from the outside.
- There is no colored or pictorial guidance system available.
- The information on the exhibits is predominately provided in writing, but not in easy language.
- Guided tours for people with cognitive impairments are offered. A reservation in advance is necessary. The contents are easy to understand or are explained in a way that is easy to understand (e.g. visually).

## **Image Gallery**

We have put together some photos from the company / offer for you. You can find more photos in the detailed reports.



Parking

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Forecourt

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Entrance

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Foyer

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Print workshop

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#### Information on the "Tourism for All" labeling system

**All establishments and locations** certified with the label "Tourism for All" meet the following quality criteria:

- Data and information on accessibility are collected and checked on site by **external**, **specially trained evaluators**. The method is not based on self-assessments.
- Data on accessibility is available **in detail** and can be viewed by the guests.
- At least one staff member has successfully passed a **training** on "**Accessibility as a comfort and quality feature**".

#### The labeling - explanation of the logos and pictograms

The label "Information about Accessibility" indicates that detailed and verified information on accessibility is available for all groups of people.

The label "Accessibility certified" is based on "Information about Accessibility". It means that the quality criteria defined for specific groups of people are met partially or completely.



Accessibility certified



The label "Accessibility certified" is available in two requirement levels:

#### "Accessibility certified: partially accessible".

The quality criteria are partially fulfilled for the pictured group of people, i.e. the establishment/location is partially accessible for wheelchair users. The "i" in the pictogram indicates that it is recommended to read again carefully whether the offer meets all (your oder the guest's) individual requirements.



#### "Accessibility certified: accessible".

The quality criteria are fulfilled for the pictured group of people, i.e. the establishment/location is accessible for wheelchair users.



People with walking disabilities Wheelchair users People with hearing impairment Deaf people People with visual impairments Blind people People with cognitive impairments

There are defined quality criteria for **seven groups of people** and a **specific pictogram** for each group.