

Paul Robeson Galleries

Patron Services for Visitors with Disabilities



Our Mission

The Paul Robeson Galleries is dedicated to embodying Paul Robeson's life-long commitment to unfettered artistic freedom, cultural democracy, and transnationalism. Our aim is to present art and cultural artifacts as well as educational and public programming to every visitor, especially within the diverse metropolitan context of Rutgers University, the Greater Newark communities, and the northeast region of New Jersey.

Locations

This document outlines accessibility information for the Paul Robeson Galleries' two main locations.

Express Newark - 54 Halsey Street 3rd floor, Newark NJ 07102

Main Gallery, The Box Gallery, Window Gallery, PRG Offices, The Hive, Workshop 1, & Workshop 2

Paul Robeson Campus Center - 350 Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd 1st floor, Newark NJ 07102

Robeson Center Gallery

Parking and Accessible Entrances

Accessible Parking - Express Newark

ADA compliant parking spaces are located in the 25 New Street parking deck in the basement of the Express Newark/Hahne & Co/Whole Foods building. For rates and more information, visit:

<https://nycparking.spplus.com/hahne-and-co.html>

Route from Express Newark Accessible Parking to Entrance

An elevator is located adjacent to 25 New Street accessible parking spots, directly opposite parking lot entrance. Enter the elevator with entrance parallel to Halsey Street, *not* the freight elevator with entrance facing New Street. Take the elevator to the third floor. Upon exiting the elevator, you will find The Hive and PRG Offices directly to your right. Take a left out of the elevator and continue down the hall to find the Main Gallery on the right, Window Gallery on the right, and The Box Gallery straight ahead, respectively. To find Workshop 1 (310) and Workshop 2 (312), pass the Window Gallery and turn right. Continue down the hall. Shine Portrait Studio will be on your left. Turn right. Workshops 1 and 2 are located beyond the double doors.

To get back down to the parking deck via the same elevator, card swipe access must be provided by PRG staff (848-445-0506) or Express Newark security (848-445-0444).

Accessible Parking - Paul Robeson Campus Center

A handicap-reserved parking lot is located directly behind the Robeson Campus Center, off Bleeker Street. When traveling northeast on Martin Luther King Blvd, immediately after passing the Robeson Campus Center

on your right, turn right onto Bleeker. The parking lot is on the right by the large Rutgers sign, between Dana Library and the Robeson Campus Center.

Information on additional parking lots and decks can be found at <http://nwkparking.rutgers.edu/locations.html>.

Route from Paul Robeson Campus Center Accessible Parking to Entrance

From the Bleeker Street lot, the first floor of the building is accessible via a ramp from Norman Samuels Plaza. The Campus Center Gallery is located between the central staircase and the Robeson Food Court. All doors leading from the exterior of the building are equipped with automatic door opener buttons.

Main Entrances – Express Newark

Express Newark is located in the historic Hahne & Co. (Whole Foods) building. It has main entrances on 609 Broad Street and 54 Halsey Street, between Central Ave and New Street. All doors leading from the exterior of the building to the Express Newark entrance on the 2nd floor are equipped with automatic door opener buttons.

The 54 Halsey Street entrance is identified by a gray “Grand Court” canopy. Upon entering the building, go through the vestibule and the long brick-lined hallway with Marcus B&P Restaurant on your right. Pass through the double doors and the elevator will be on your left.

The 609 Broad Street entrance is to the right of the Whole Foods entrance. Upon entering the building and passing through the vestibule, continue through the Grand Court and past the large staircase. The

elevator is located at the end of the hall to your right, opposite the Amazon lockers.

From the elevator: Take the elevator to the second floor. Exit the elevator and take the door on your left. The main entrance to Express Newark will be on your left. Upon entering Express Newark, pass the reception desk on your left, continue under the large stairway and to your right, past the lecture hall and the restrooms.

Take a left out of the elevator and continue down the hall to find the Main Gallery on the right, Window Gallery on the right, and The Box Gallery straight ahead, respectively. To find Workshop 1 (310) and Workshop 2 (312), pass the Window Gallery and turn right. Continue down the hall. Shine Portrait Studio will be on your left. Turn right. Workshops 1 and 2 are located beyond the double doors.

Main Entrance – Paul Robeson Campus Center

Located on 350 Dr. Martin Luther King Boulevard, between Bleeker and Warren Streets, the main entrance to the Robeson Campus Center leads to the second floor. The Main Gallery is located on the first floor. All doors leading from the exterior of the building are equipped with automatic door opener buttons.

To get to the Main Gallery from the MLK entrance via elevator:
Upon entering, turn right and follow the hallway past Room 219, through the small lounge area, and left down the hall past the Hudson, Bergen, and Union Rooms. The elevator is located at the end of the hall. Take the elevator to the first floor. Once out of the elevator, turn right to find the Main Gallery entrance past the central staircase and reception desk, before the restrooms and the Robeson Food Court.

Restrooms

Restrooms – Express Newark

Public restrooms accessible to wheelchair users are located on the second, third, and fourth floors of Express Newark.

Restrooms – Paul Robeson Campus Center

Public restrooms accessible to wheelchair users are located on the first and second floors of the Robeson Campus Center.

Available Services

Large Print & PDF Format

All exhibition labels and catalog texts are available in large print and PDF format upon request with two weeks' advance notice. Please contact:

Jacqueline Mabey, Assistant Curator

T: 848-445-0508 E: Jacqueline.mabey@rutgers.edu

All programs, flyers, and brochures are available in large print and PDF format upon request with two weeks' advance notice. Please contact:

Kristen Owens, Program Assistant

T: 848-445-0511 E: ko259@newark.rutgers.edu

Verbal Description Tours

Verbal description tours of the main and satellite galleries are available upon request, with three weeks' advance notice. Please contact:

Jacqueline Mabey, Assistant Curator

T: 848-445-0508 E: Jacqueline.mabey@rutgers.edu

For Visitors Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing

Sign Language Interpretation

Sign language interpretation services are available for scheduled programs with at least three week's advance notice. This service is offered free of charge. Please contact:

Bryant Lebron, Administrative Assistant

T: 848-445-0507 E: blebron@newark.rutgers.edu

Education Programs

As part of our commitment to provide access to high-quality visual arts exhibitions and programs for all, the Paul Robeson Galleries regularly customizes its programs to meet the various needs and interests of its community participants. All of our exhibition-based workshops are equipped to serve all audiences, including integrated groups and groups in which several different types of disabilities are represented. When scheduling a program with us, please notify our staff of your group's needs and we will gladly work with you to custom-design an enriching experience. Please direct scheduling requests and inquiries to:

Caren King Choi, Associate Director of Programs

T: 848-445-0506 E: caren.k.choi@rutgers.edu

Suggestions & Feedback

The Paul Robeson Galleries value your suggestions and feedback. Please assist us in making our patron services more effective by contacting us with your comments and suggestions.

T: 848-445-0515

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Office of Disability Services – Rutgers University Newark

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