

Nasher Sculpture Center

School Tour Information and Policy Guide



Location

The Nasher Sculpture Center is located at **2001 Flora Street** in the Dallas Arts District adjacent to the Dallas Museum of Art.

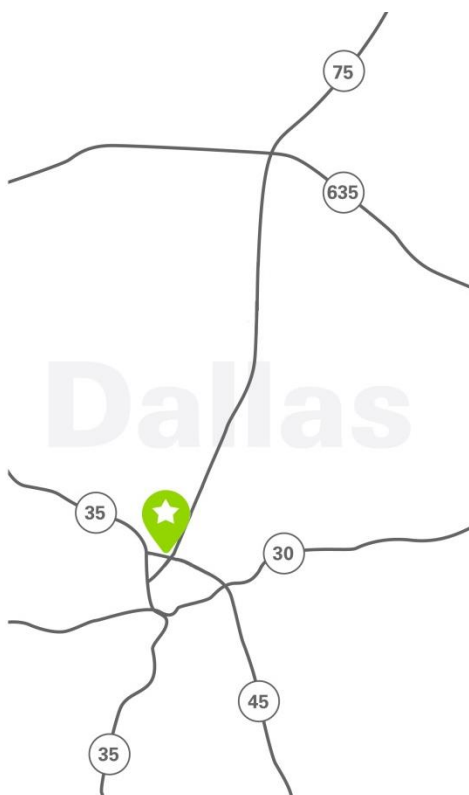
Parking

Buses may drop off and pick up students at the Flora Street entrance of the Center. Bus parking is available on Harwood St. adjacent to the DMA between Woodall Rogers and Flora.

Limited underground parking is available at the DMA parking garage for a flat rate, or in the pay lots next to the Center on the east side (these lots are not owned by the Nasher Sculpture Center and rates vary).

Entering the Center

The entrance to the Nasher Sculpture Center faces Flora Street.



For Docent-Guided Tours

If you are scheduled for a 10 am tour you will be arriving before the Center opens, and we will open the doors at 10:00 am exactly. Please have your students organized into equally-sized groups before the tour begins so we can easily assign a docent to each group and begin your tour. Please have an accurate count of your group. Personal items may not be brought into the Center. We recommend leaving backpacks, lunches, water bottles, cell phones and other personal items in your vehicle or bus. Docent guided tours are 60 minutes in length. If your group arrives late, your tour will be shortened accordingly, finishing on the originally designated time. If your group arrives more than 30 minutes late your tour will be canceled.

For Self-Guided Visits

Please have your students wait outside while the group leader enters the Center to check in at the Visitor's Desk on the left. School tours must be reserved at least 3 weeks in advance, and by doing so will receive free admission. School groups that wish to visit without 3 weeks' notice must pay admission; this can be paid upon arrival 10 minutes before the tour begins (please visit our website for admission prices: www.nashersculpturecenter.org). Please have an accurate count of your group to provide to the admissions attendant. Personal items may not be brought into the Center. We recommend leaving backpacks, lunches, water bottles, cell phones and other personal items in your vehicle or bus.

Chaperones

For K-8th grade students, please provide one adult chaperone for every 5 students. For high school students, please provide 1 adult chaperone for every 10 students.

Groups without the proper number of chaperones will be asked to reschedule their visit. No exceptions will be made to this rule. Self-guided tours must divide into chaperone-led units of 1 to 5 for K-8th grade and 1 to 10 for high school.

Homeschool Chaperone and Admission Policy

As with all school groups, homeschool groups receive free admission for students and the required number of chaperones for tours booked at least 3 weeks in advance. However, because homeschool groups understandably often have more chaperones attend than the required number (see "Chaperones" above), free admission is only offered to chaperones up to the required number; additional chaperones must pay admission.

Example: A homeschool group of 30 children in Kindergarten and 4th Grade are scheduled 3 weeks in advance to visit; in accordance with the 1 adult per 5 children ratio indicated above, 6 adults would be required and will receive free admission. If 10 adults attend, four of those adults must pay admission.

Lunch and Dining

School groups may not eat their lunches on site, either inside or outside. Alternatives include Klyde Warren Park or the open-air patio of the Trammell-Crow building and the sculpture garden of the Dallas Museum of Art (both of which require advance reservations).

Policies, Guidelines, and Miscellaneous Notes

- **No work of art may be touched.** Please encourage your students to experience the sculptures by moving around the works, but to be **constantly aware** of their surroundings.
- If students are unusually disruptive or appear likely to damage any work of art, they will be asked to leave the Center.
- While our garden is not a formal or delicate space, be aware that it is not meant as a public park or playground either. Have your students treat the garden as they would any museum.
- The interior walls may not be touched.
- **Adult chaperones must constantly observe the students.**
- Students groups are not permitted in the Gift Shop.
- Chewing gum, bottled water, and food and drinks of any kind are not allowed; students must discard these items into the trash upon entry.
- Docents cannot accommodate any type of class assignment during a tour. (Examples: sketching, writing, scavenger hunts and worksheets.) Please allow additional time after your tour for these activities.
- Sketching with pencil, crayon, pastel and charcoal is permitted throughout the Center and in most special exhibitions. The use of ink, fountain pen, felt tip, ballpoint, watercolor, acrylic or oil is prohibited. While sketching, please do not hinder the normal traffic flow in the galleries. If galleries are crowded, guards may ask visitors to stop sketching.
 - Groups that would like to sketch at the Center must be led by an instructor and must make an appointment with Tom Jungerberg (tjungerberg@nashersculpturecenter.org or 214.242.5180) three weeks prior to their visit. Due to limited space in the galleries, groups may be limited to sketching in the garden, depending on the size of the group.
- If students will be writing, they must bring something hard to write on (clipboard, notebook, etc.), and may not use the walls or pedestals a writing surface.
- Photography and videotaping is permitted in the Center, for personal use only (no flash, lamps, or tripods please), but may not be permitted in special exhibitions. Please ask at the front desk for specific photography restrictions.
- For any special needs considerations or answers to particular questions, please call 214.242.5180 or email tjungerberg@nashersculpturecenter.org.

Teacher Check List

- ☐ If you have a docent guided tour scheduled please alert the lead docent of any special needs your group may have.
- ☐ Divide students into equally-sized groups with chaperones.
- ☐ Remind student of appropriate behavior:
 - No work of art may be touched
 - Please remember to walk, not run, both inside and outside
 - Speak softly and be courteous to other visitors at the Center
- ☐ Leave the following items on the bus:
 - Backpacks
 - Food and drinks
 - Cell phones

We look forward to seeing you at the Nasher!

You can find helpful resources to plan your visit at www.nashersculpturecenter.org/learn/resources.

- [Art Cards](#) for self-guided visits (PDF)
- Self-guided visit [Map Worksheet](#) (PDF)
- Self-guided visit [Scavenger Hunt Worksheet](#) (PDF)
- Self-guided visit [Sketching Activity Worksheet](#) (PDF)
- The [Nasher Story](#) slideshow (PowerPoint)
- [Collection Highlights](#) for Elementary Students slideshow (PowerPoint)
- [Collection Highlights](#) for Secondary Students slideshow (PowerPoint)