

# ALASKA HUMANITIES FORUM

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## VENUE ACCESS STATEMENT

At the Alaska Humanities Forum, our intention is to host gatherings where everyone feels welcome and able to participate. Many of the events we host are held in our office space, which is located in the historic Alaska Railroad Depot. We recognize that this building may not meet the access needs of everyone, and have attempted to provide as much detail as possible about the venue here so that you can determine if you will require any assistance or accommodations to be able to attend our event.

If you have any concerns about access or would like to get in touch to request additional details, you can reach us at (907) 272-5341.

### **Getting here:**

The Alaska Humanities Forum Office is located in downtown Anchorage, on the second floor of the historic Alaska Railroad Depot at 421 W. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue.

**By car:** There is a metered parking lot located across the street from the building, with a limited number of free 1-hour visitor parking spots. All other parking spots in the lot charge \$2 for one hour, \$3 for 2 hours, \$5 for 4 hours, and \$15 for 10 hours. There are several ADA parking spots toward the front of the lot. We also have several guest parking passes that may be lent out if needed.

**By bus:** The 10, 30, and 40 bus lines all have stops within .6 miles of our offices. The 20 bus line has a stop within .25 miles of our office. For more information and to plan your bus route, visit [www.peplemover.org](http://www.peplemover.org)

**By bike:** Our offices are located right off the coastal trail. We have space indoors where you can store your bike, as well as bike racks located directly outside our building.

### **Accessing our offices:**

There is a designated drop-off spot directly outside of the Alaska Railroad Depot with a curb-ramp leading to the sidewalk. There is no outdoor signage for the Forum. To reach the Forum's offices, you will want to enter the door marked '421 W 1st Ave: Office Center' which can be accessed by pull-handle or via a wheel-chair accessible push button. Once you enter the building, you can access our offices on the second floor either via the flight of stairs or by using the elevator located to the left in the main entrance. Our offices are located on the far right end of the hall on floor 2.

If you have trouble locating our offices, you can call us at (907) 272-5341 for assistance.

### **Our building:**

- **Doors:** The majority of doorways in the building are 3 ft wide. None of the doors inside of the building have wheel-chair accessible buttons.
- **Flooring:** The corridors leading to our office space and our individual offices are covered in a low-pile carpet. The interior hallways of our office space are covered in a low-slip, textured laminate.

- **Chairs:** The majority of the chairs in our office space have metal arms, seats that are 19” wide, and on wheels. We also have a small number of cushioned armchairs with seats that are 22” across, and loveseats that measure 38” across.
- **Food and Water:** Our offices contain a kitchen with access to water, a microwave, a stove, and a refrigerator.
- **Bathrooms:** There are stalled men and women’s bathrooms located directly outside our offices on the second floor. There are also two single-occupant, gender-neutral bathrooms located on the floor, which require a key-card to access. During public events, we will have a key-card available to anyone who would prefer to use these bathrooms. At any point, visitors can ask for a key card to access the single-occupant bathrooms.

**Questions or Comments?**

If you have questions related to accessibility or would like to submit a comment or suggestion to improve our practices, you can reach us at (907) 272-5341.