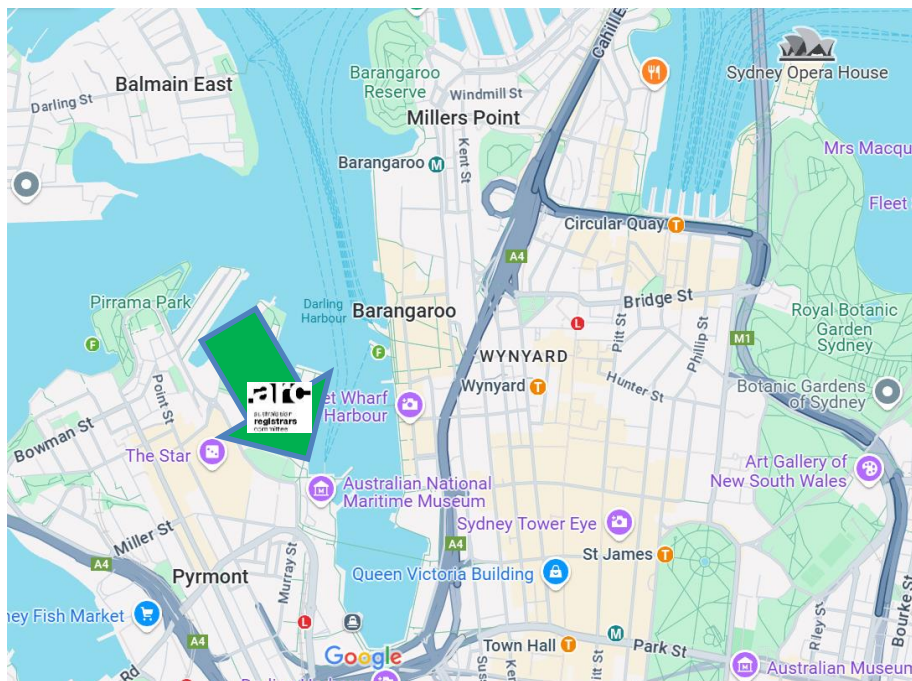


# Accessibility

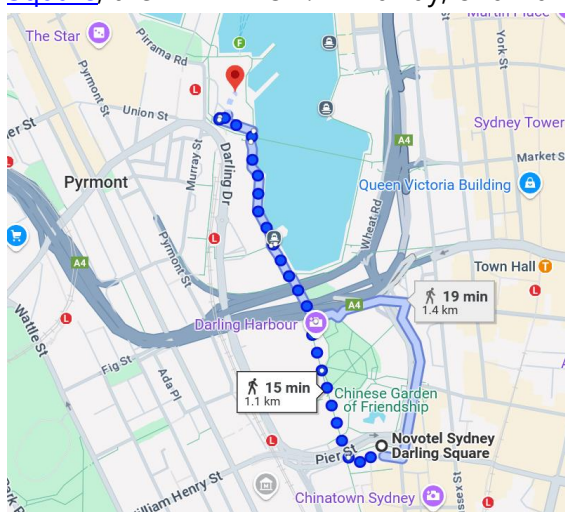
## Australian National Maritime Museum

The conference is taking place at the Australian National Maritime Museum (ANMM). The ANMM is located at 2 Murray Street Darling Harbour, Sydney NSW 2000, Australia. See the green arrow on the map below.

For information on how to get to the ANMM, see <https://www.sea.museum/en/visit> .

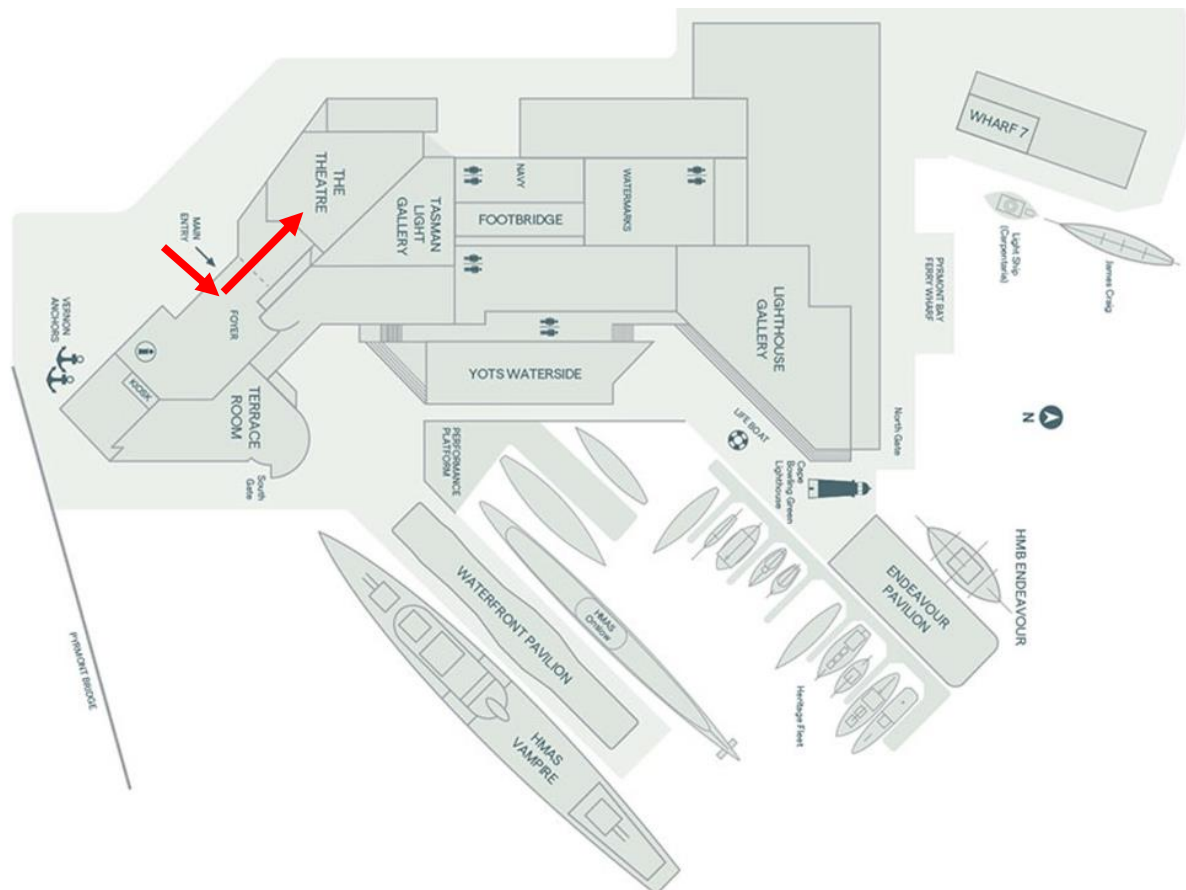


If you are staying at the ARC's conference partner hotel, the [Novotel Sydney on Darling Square](#), the ANMM is 1.1km away, or a walk of approximately 15 minutes:



## Arriving at the Australian National Maritime Museum (ANMM)

The 2025 ARC Conference, *Aspire*, will be taking place in the Theatre of the Australian National Maritime Museum (ANMM). To locate the theatre, enter via the main entrance and turn immediately left. See the red arrows on the diagram below.



### Venue features

- The museum, and the theatre, can be accessed via ramp or stairs.
- There is a hearing loop available in the Theatre for all conference attendees.
- Directly outside the Theatre is the Tasman Light Gallery where we will have our breaks. It includes a lounge space for quiet retreat throughout the conference. Please make use of it at any time during proceedings.
- All the museum's air conditioning and ventilation systems comply with AS1668.2-2012 and carbon filters are used in addition to the standard requirements. The ANMM also has the ability to introduce 100% fresh air into the theatre at any time.
- The Maritime Museum is a Sunflower friendly venue. The Sunflower is a globally recognised symbol for non-visible disabilities. Thanks to Hidden Disabilities Sunflower Australia & New Zealand our staff wearing a Sunflower badge have been

trained to recognise this symbol and will be of assistance where they can. You are encouraged to bring and wear your sunflower lanyard if you have one, or pick one up for free on arrival to the museum.

- We will have respirator-style masks available at our reception desk throughout the conference. These are to provide an extra level of safety for anyone who wishes to use them. If you would like to wear a mask, you are warmly encouraged to do so.
- We are committed to ensuring the event is as accessible and inclusive as possible, including for attendees who are immunocompromised or have chronic health conditions. For the safety of yourself and others, please consider performing a RAT (rapid antigen test) on the morning of the event to ensure you're safe to attend, even in the absence of symptoms.
- The ANMM has courtesy wheelchairs that can be pre-booked for use during the conference. If you would like to book a wheelchair, please let our team know.

### **Parents Room**

- The Parents Room is located on the Ground Level of the museum and is available for all guests and visitors of the museum. The Parenting Room includes feeding areas, change table, microwave and hand washing facilities.

### **Dress code**

- There is no dress code for the conference. Please feel free to wear whatever clothing you feel comfortable in.

### **Perfumes and deodorant**

- Please consider using mild or neutral perfumes and deodorants. Some people have allergies to scents, or sensory sensitivities, so keeping smells to a minimum is helpful in making the event accessible to others.

### **Feeling unwell**

- For the safety of yourself, and others, please do not attend the event if you are unwell or experiencing signs of illness.
- If you start to feel unwell during the conference, please let our team know and we will assist however we can. As the conference is hybrid, please keep in mind you will

have the option to still attend the conference remotely if you are not able to be in the room in person.

- Respirator-style masks will be provided at the registration desk. If you would like to wear a mask, you are warmly encouraged to do so.
- Rapid antigen tests (RATs) will also be available from our team at the conference. Please contact us if you would like to make use of this facility.

## **Tours**

### **AGNSW**

- The AGNSW is spread across two buildings in the Sydney Domain. Naarla Nura is the historic building on the south, facing the Domain and Naala Badu is the new building on the north, facing Sydney Harbour.
- Entrances to both buildings are on Art Gallery Rd and accessible by stairs, ramp or by a gentle gradient leading up to the entrance.
- Public spaces inside are accessible by ramps, lifts and stairs.
- Wheelchair and mobility scooters are available for free at the Welcome hub near the Naala Badu entrance and ground floor at the Naala Nura building. Mobility scooters can also be booked in advance. Tel 02 9225 1700 or [mobilityscooters@ag.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mobilityscooters@ag.nsw.gov.au).
- The AGNSW is a Sunflower friendly venue with trained staff and Sunflower lanyards available on arrival.
- For more information go to the AGNSW [website](#) or contact them before your visit at Tel 02 9225 1700 or [artmail@ag.nsw.gov.au](mailto:artmail@ag.nsw.gov.au).

### **White Rabbit**

For those attending the White Rabbit Gallery/Dangrove tours, the facility has equitable access throughout, and there is one wheelchair available on site.

If you do have any particular accessibility needs, please do let us know so that the route for the tour (and any accommodations) can be planned accordingly

### **Chau Chak Wing Museum**

Accessibility information for Chau Chak Wing can be found on their website here:

<https://www.sydney.edu.au/museum/about-us/accessibility.html>

If there is anything we can do to make the tour more accessible for you, please just let us know.

## Accommodation

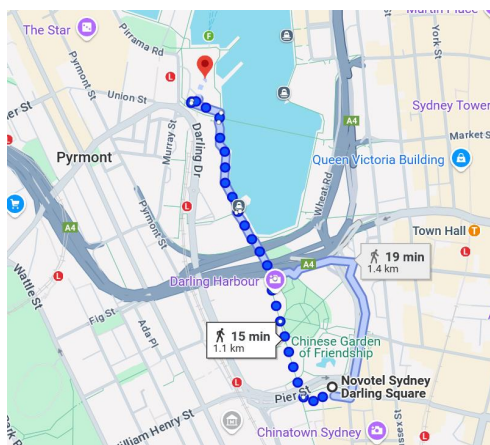
### Novotel Sydney on Darling Square



The Australasian Registrars Committee has partnered with the [Novotel Sydney on Darling Square](#) to provide an accommodation offering for conference delegates.

**NOTE: There is a second Novotel hotel nearby, the Novotel Sydney on Darling Harbour. The names are very similar, so please make sure you select the right one if you wish to take advantage of our accommodation offering.**

The Novotel Sydney on Darling Square is located at 17 Little Pier Street, Darling Harbour, NSW 2000, Australia. It is a 1.1km (approximately 15 minutes) walk from our conference venue, the Australian National Maritime Museum.



The Novotel has a variety of different rooms available to book. More information about these rooms can be found on their website at <https://www.novotelsydneydarlingssquare.com.au/accommodation>.

The Novotel Darling Square provided the following additional information about their facilities, which may assist you when deciding on your accommodation.

### **Air Conditioning System**

Our air conditioning system draws 25% of its air from outside, with the remaining air circulating from inside the building to ensure proper air exchange.

Each unit is equipped with two air filters to help reduce dust and bacteria. We recently replaced all filters.

### **Breakfast and Dining Options**

Breakfast is served exclusively indoors in our lobby.

In-room dining is available with an à la carte menu. Guests can order from the provided menu, with specific charges for each item plus an additional delivery fee.

Guests who have booked the buffet breakfast must dine in the lobby, as buffet meals cannot be taken to the room. This policy helps prevent any potential food safety concerns.

### **COVID-19 Policy**

If a guest tests positive for COVID-19, they will be required to self-isolate in their room.

- We offer assistance with meals and other essential needs.
- Early check-out or relocation options may be available if necessary.
- Enhanced cleaning protocols are in place after a guest checks out.

### **Accessibility**

The Novotel has two accessible rooms as part of its offering. These rooms include the following features:

- Walk in shower
- Supportive handrail in the shower and by the toilet
- Well placed light switches

If you would like to enquire about the availability of any of these rooms during the conference, or if you have questions about other accessibility needs, we encourage you to



contact the Novotel directly to see if they can assist you. For contact details, go to <https://www.novotelsydneydarlingsquare.com.au/contacts>

### **Novotel Darling Square – free drinks offer**

Guests staying at the hotel can receive one free drink vouchers simply by reusing towels and choosing not to have their room serviced daily.

By doing so, you will help Novotel Sydney Darling Square's mission to be more sustainable by reducing their carbon footprint.

To opt in and receive your vouchers, simply speak to the friendly front office team before 9:00pm to take advantage of this reward.