

## Empire Granville 7 Accessibility Overview



**Website:** [empiretheatres.com/theatres/vancouver-empire-granville-7-cinemas](http://empiretheatres.com/theatres/vancouver-empire-granville-7-cinemas)

**Address:** 855 Granville Street, Vancouver ([Map](#))

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This theatre is a mainstay of the festival. Nestled in the heart of downtown's bustling Granville St., this theatre offers a hint of 80's style with a more modern accessibility. Close to shopping, clubs, restaurants and cafes, accessible transit, bike lockups and street parking, banks and other amenities, this theatre is also only a few blocks from Davie Village, one of Vancouver's LGBT communities.

The Festival uses theatres 3, 4 and 7, and each is accessible via elevators and escalators. Theatres 3 and 4 offer ~4 spaces each for folks using wheelchairs or scooters, with options for creating more. There will be some sign language interpretation in these theatres. Theatre 7, where the Galas are held, has approximately 8 spots at the rear, with additional room to create more, and there are options for having accessible seating at the front as well. Please note that there will not be sign language interpretation at the Galas. Once inside, there are multiple concession stands, vending machines, water fountains and ATMs throughout.

The washrooms are currently marked as gendered, but will be sporting a variation on the "gender neutral" theme for the duration of the Festival. There are two wheelchair accessible stalls in both banks of washrooms. Please note that there are no tampon dispensers, scent free soaps (though QFF may provide) or sharps containers provided, so please come prepared!

An important note about scent: when I was conducting this audit there was a heavy-scent "freshener" in each of the washrooms which made it almost impossible for me to complete the audit. I recommend that they be removed for the duration of the festival, as it's quite easy to do so. All attempts will be made to make sure that happens. If you arrive and it has not been taken care of, please do not hesitate to speak with one of the festival volunteers. There is not currently a scent-reduced policy in place. While it is possible for there to be a reduced policy of some kind at QFF events, because of the nature of the venues, it is not possible to provide a scent-free experience. Please refer to these resources if you'd like to learn more about how you can help create a safer environment for folks with Multiple Chemical Sensitivities:

A FAQ on MCS and being scent-free is available [here](#).

To make your event scent-free or scent-reduced, see [here](#).

Information on products you can use to reduce your use of scents, available [here](#).

**If you have any questions, concerns, additions, corrections, or kudos regarding this accessibility audit, please email romham at [rampvancouver@gmail.com](mailto:rampvancouver@gmail.com).**

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