The Tech Interactive
Sensory Guide
Many exhibits at The Tech Interactive use touchscreens to interact with, like a tablet or phone. The ones in this booklet have either a different way to interact, or have unique sensory features.
Understanding the symbols used.

- Bright
- Loud
- Crowded
- Interactive
- Dark
- Quiet
- Strong Smells
**Ticket Counter**
- Can be noisy, can hear people downstairs
- Can buy tickets in advance, or from a touch screen kiosk in the lobby
- Strong popcorn smells from IMAX theater

**The Tech Store**
- Can be busy

**IMAX Dome Theater**
- Some movie sound effects can be loud
- Popcorn smell upon entering

**The Tech Cafe**
- Can be busy
- Outdoor seating available if weather permits
- Cooking food smells
Lower Level Exhibits

The Tech Studio
- Can be loud if busy
- Fluorescent overhead lighting
- The Tech Studio has large pieces to build a device to do a task

Cyber Detectives
- Can hear the heating and cooling overhead noise
- Floor reflects overhead lights

Wetbrush
- Using a stylus pen on a touch screen, users can create 3D paintings
Lower Level Exhibits: Solve for Earth

**Connections Wall**
- Bright light on the wall
- Move hand close to wall or knobs to create movement and sound changes

**Sustainable Cities**
- Using a touchscreen, make different things occur to the city located on the table
- Other participants can be around the table interacting with different cities at the same time

**Food Waste Fridge**
- Move magnets on a fridge, or inside move fake foods that will prompt facts about food storage

**Community Voices**
- Move a puck on a map to hear voices of community members.
Lower Level Exhibits: Space Exploration

View from Space
- Very dark area, can be difficult to see
- While this area is quiet you can hear the noise from the Jet Pack Chair nearby

Jet Pack Chair
- Noise cancelling headphones available if needed
- Transfer to a chair, use a joystick to move the chair and to hit targets
Lower Level Exhibits

**Body Moves**
- Use whole body to match poses, balance, and make butterflies move
- Tech Tag needed

**Reactable**
- Can be loud if there are several players
- Tiles interact with each other and with table to make different sounds to create music

**Social Robots**
- Can be loud if space is busy
- Create and program robots using blocks
- **Seizure warning** due to lights on some blocks
Lower Level Seating Areas

**Main Atrium**
- Comfortable couches and benches
- Interactive magnet wall with tubes and balls

**Inside Solve for Earth**
- Comfortable couches, quieter area
- Interactive story bags and books the on wall

**Next to The Tech Studio**
- Comfortable couches, fluorescent lights
- Louder and brighter area

**Gold Tube**
- Quiet, dark, benches in semi-circle inside
- Darker semi-enclosed space, voices echo
Upper Level Exhibits

**Body Worlds Decoded**
- Plastinated real human bodies and body parts on display. Children under 12 must be supervised.

**Animaker**
- Can hear roller coaster noises from exhibit nearby.
- Create block animals, help the software recognize it, then bring it to life in the display on the wall.

**Wave Atlas**
- Can hear roller coaster noises from exhibit nearby.
- Use hand gestures or hand held controller (HTC Vive) to create, release and move sea creatures on a video display on a wall.
Upper Level Exhibits

The Innovator
• Roller coaster sounds can be loud
• Design a roller coaster, then get in an open-air simulator to ride it virtually

BioTinkering Lab
• Sunlight comes in through a window
• Facilitated experiences available to create with real lab tools check the schedule for current offerings
• Some of the experiences can be very tactile and may be sensory averse for some, i.e., creating algae strings. May need to wait if the room is full

Bio Basics
• **Seizure warning** due to strobe light effects used in exhibit
Living Colors Lab

- Use real lab gear to create multi-color bacteria
- Participants must wear gloves and protective glasses
- The activity can take up to 15 minutes to complete
Upper Level Seating Areas

Outside Balcony

- Entrance located in Body Worlds Decoded exhibit
- Covered balcony with a view of Market Street and the park