What is Sensory-Friendly Saturday?

Designed for guests who are on the autism spectrum as well as for those with other sensory-processing disorders, these events offer a variety of special accommodations, activities and more that have been put into place to create an inclusive, welcoming and safe space for our guests. Prior to this event, staff members of The Henry Ford participated in Michigan Autism Safety Training provided by the Autism Alliance of Michigan to better understand the characteristics of autism and how to recognize and communicate with those with autism.

Upcoming Sensory-Friendly Events

- **June 23, 2018**
  - 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
  - Sensory-Friendly Saturday Ford Rouge Factory Tour

- **Sunday, October 14**
  - Halloween in Greenfield Village®

Learn more at thehenryford.org

We welcome guests of all abilities to all of our venues.

For more information, hours and locations for upcoming sensory-friendly events, visit thehenryford.org/accessibility.
Welcome to **Sensory-Friendly Saturday** at Ford Rouge Factory Tour

**A. Noise-Canceling Headphones**
Stop by on your way in to pick up noise-canceling headphones or earplugs to use while at the Ford Rouge Factory Tour.

**B. Sensory-Friendly Saturday Activities**
Explore manufacturing-themed activities, and try your hand at putting the parts of a toy truck together on an assembly line.

**C. Quiet Zones**
Three quiet zones have been designated with signage as calming spaces. Take a break and try out some sensory toys.

1. **Legacy Theater**
Discover the Rouge Complex’s long history of triumphs, tragedies and innovations, from Henry Ford’s pioneering vision of vertical integration to today’s sustainable manufacturing. (Approximate time: 13 minutes) **Note:** This theater has three screens that activate alternately. There is occasional loud music, and some images may be disturbing to viewers.

2. **Manufacturing Innovation Theater**
Experience a multisensory exploration of the vehicle manufacturing process. (Approximate time: 10 minutes) **Note:** This theater contains strobe lights, loud sounds and vibrations of your seat. Guests who are sensitive to loud sounds and bright flashing lights may wish to skip this show.

3. **Observation Deck**
Get a bird’s-eye view of environmental innovations: the mammoth living roof, naturalized habitat, solar arrays and energy-saving photovoltaic panels. Learn more about the living roof by touching the materials provided on display.

4. **Assembly Plant**
Travel the elevated walkway above the Dearborn Truck Plant’s lean and flexible assembly line. **Note:** Loud sounds and unfamiliar smells may be present.

5. **Legacy Gallery**
The groundbreaking V-8, the classic Thunderbird and the Mustang. Explore the vehicles made at the Rouge.

6. **Living Laboratory Tour (weather permitting)**
See sustainable design in action. Discover how natural processes help manage the Rouge’s water, soil and air. **Note:** Sounds from loud trucks and cars on the nearby road may be heard while on this tour.

**PLEASE NOTE**
The Dearborn Truck Plant is operating today. Loud sounds and smells, such as from plastic, rubber, and the burning and welding of materials, may be present in the assembly plant.