### BADIE Benefits of Audio Description in Education

# **Sourcing Audio Described Content in Australia**

## **Films and TV programmes**

If you're interested learning about **audio described movies** currently available on streaming services such as Netflix or Stan, Vision Australia has created a super helpful list which you can access here: <https://www.visionaustralia.org/community/news/2020-05-07/audio-described-movies-streaming-services>

Audio Description in Australia also has a handy guide. You can access this here: <https://audiodescriptionau.com.au/?page_id=560>

Vision Australia provides a combined ABC and SBS TV guide (Word) listing all audio described shows across both channels for the next two weeks. You can access this here:

<https://www.visionaustralia.org/community/events/audio-description-services>

Each channel’s own programming schedules can be you accessed through these links: [ABC](https://www.abc.net.au/tv/audiodescription/) and [SBS.](https://www.sbs.com.au/aboutus/audio-described-programming)

<https://www.abc.net.au/tv/audiodescription/>

<https://www.sbs.com.au/aboutus/audio-described-programming>

In order to access audio description on ABC and SBS, you need to turn on the features on your TV. Vision Australia’s audio description team have provided this list of instructions to guide you through the process: <https://www.visionaustralia.org/community/news/2020-05-07/audio-described-movies-streaming-services>

## **The Cinema**

Vision Australia has the following guide to accessing audio description at the cinema: <https://www.visionaustralia.org/community/events/audio-description-services/at-the-cinema>

Audio Description in Australia also has a great guide to accessing audio description at the cinema: <https://audiodescriptionau.com.au/?page_id=413>

## **Theatre and Galleries**

Here are some places you can use to find audio described theatre and exhibitions in your area:

Audio Description provided by Vision Australia: <https://www.visionaustralia.org/community/events?term=1521&state=All>

Media Access Australia provides the following overview: <https://mediaaccess.org.au/cinema-the-arts/audio-description-in-the-arts>

It’s also worth contacting your local theatre to find out what their audio described offerings include.

## **Melbourne Fashion Festival**

For the past couple of years, Vision Australia has worked with the Melbourne Fashion Festival to audio describe some of their runways. Keep up to date on what’s coming up here:

<https://www.visionaustralia.org/community/events/audio-description-services>

You can access a recorded runway from 2021 here: <https://melbournefashionfestival.com.au/runway-3-ad>

## **Educational Content**

The US-based Described and Captioned Media Program (DCMP - co-sponsor with the American Council of the Blind's (ACB) Audio Description Project of the original BADIE initiative) have approximately 1,900 audio described titles that are available to anyone regardless of location (no membership and no sign-up required): <https://dcmp.org/topics?nm=1>

If you are trying to find a particular title or type of content and you can’t find it using the above links please contact BADIEAU@Visionaustralia.org and we’ll see if we can help signpost you in the right direction! And if you have any questions about the BADIE-AU initiative please drop us a line at the same address.

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