

Industrial School

Abbotsford Convent.



About

The Industrial School is a versatile and unique venue. Its long, rectangular shape allows this venue to spilt into two distinct spaces that both connect and divide when required, with a series of openings along the length of the building. The Industrial School features a rich patina of age from multiple uses over time.

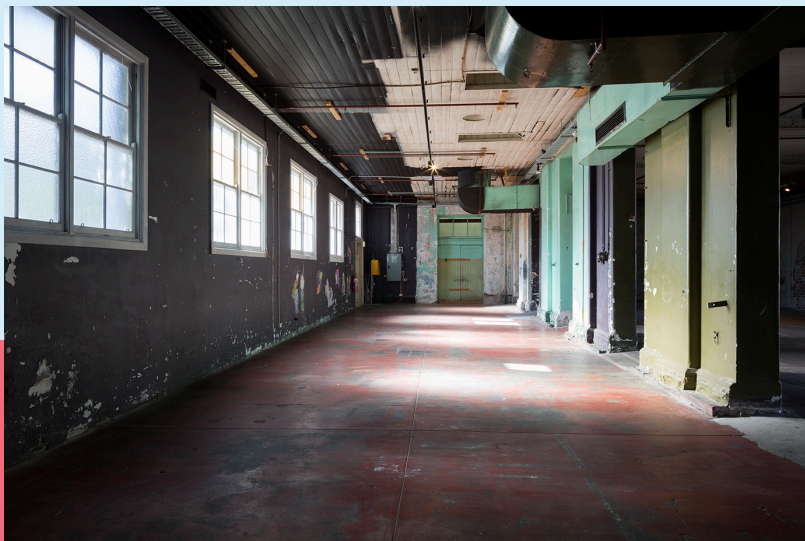
Designed by JB Denny and built in 1868, the Industrial School is the oldest surviving building within the Convent grounds. Originally a two-storey building comprising workrooms and dormitories, it is the oldest known privately built school of industry in Victoria, which offered trade-specific training to its former occupants. The foundations of the heavy-duty equipment it once housed can still be seen on the floor.

Facilities

The space includes 3-phase power and single track lighting. Additional facilities including tables, chairs, whiteboards, heaters, and fans are available to hirers. Basic AV equipment is available to hirers.

Accessibility

The Industrial School is wheelchair accessible, however the flooring is rough. Gender-neutral and accessible toilets are available close to the venue.



Key Features

- Partitioned room
- Distressed walls
- Single track lighting

Dimensions

- Large area: 22.8 x 7.6m
- Small area: 22.5 x 5.5m
- Total area: 299.8m²

Industrial School: venue hire rates

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	Full day (8 hours)	Half day (4 hours)	7-day week
Standard - high impact	\$800	\$600	\$4000
Standard - low impact	\$400	\$300	\$2000
Community/NFP - high impact	\$600	\$450	\$3000
Community/NFP - low impact	\$300	\$225	\$1500
Subsidised - high impact	\$400	\$300	\$2000
Subsidised - low impact	\$200	\$150	\$1000

Pricing

A compulsory additional COVID cleaning fee will be added to each day of venue hire.

Prices do not include GST.

Minimum hire is four hours. Additional hours can be added.

Important Conditions of Hire

Abbotsford Convent is a unique heritage arts precinct with specific hiring conditions. You can find our Conditions of Hire [here](#).

To better understand the delicate nature of working in a heritage-listed multi-use precinct, please refer to our Special Conditions of Hire [here](#).

Staffing and Equipment

Front of house and additional support crew are available for minimum 3-hour calls.

Basic furniture and AV equipment is available for hire.

Site Visits and Production Meetings

To arrange a virtual or in-person site visit, please email us at venuehire@abbotsfordconvent.com.au or call us on 03 9415 3608.

Complex events will require at least one production meeting with our Venue Hire and Operations teams.

Industrial School: capacity and safety

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	2m ² per person	4m ² per person	No restriction
Standing room only	150	75	300
Seated - theatre style	35	35	150

Seating is not fixed and can be set up in a number of different configurations.

Capacity is dependent on current COVID-19 regulations and is subject to change. Please check the latest regulations to determine which capacity limit applies to you.

Stay Safe at the Convent

The Abbotsford Convent has a COVIDSafe Plan in place to ensure the safety of all staff, venue hirers, visitors and community members. You can find our COVIDSafe plan [here](#).

All venue hirers must comply with this plan and complete a COVIDSafe Event Checklist. Upon arrival, all hirers must undertake a COVID Safety Induction.

Hirers with complex events may be required to submit their own COVIDSafe Plan.



Industrial School: floor plan

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