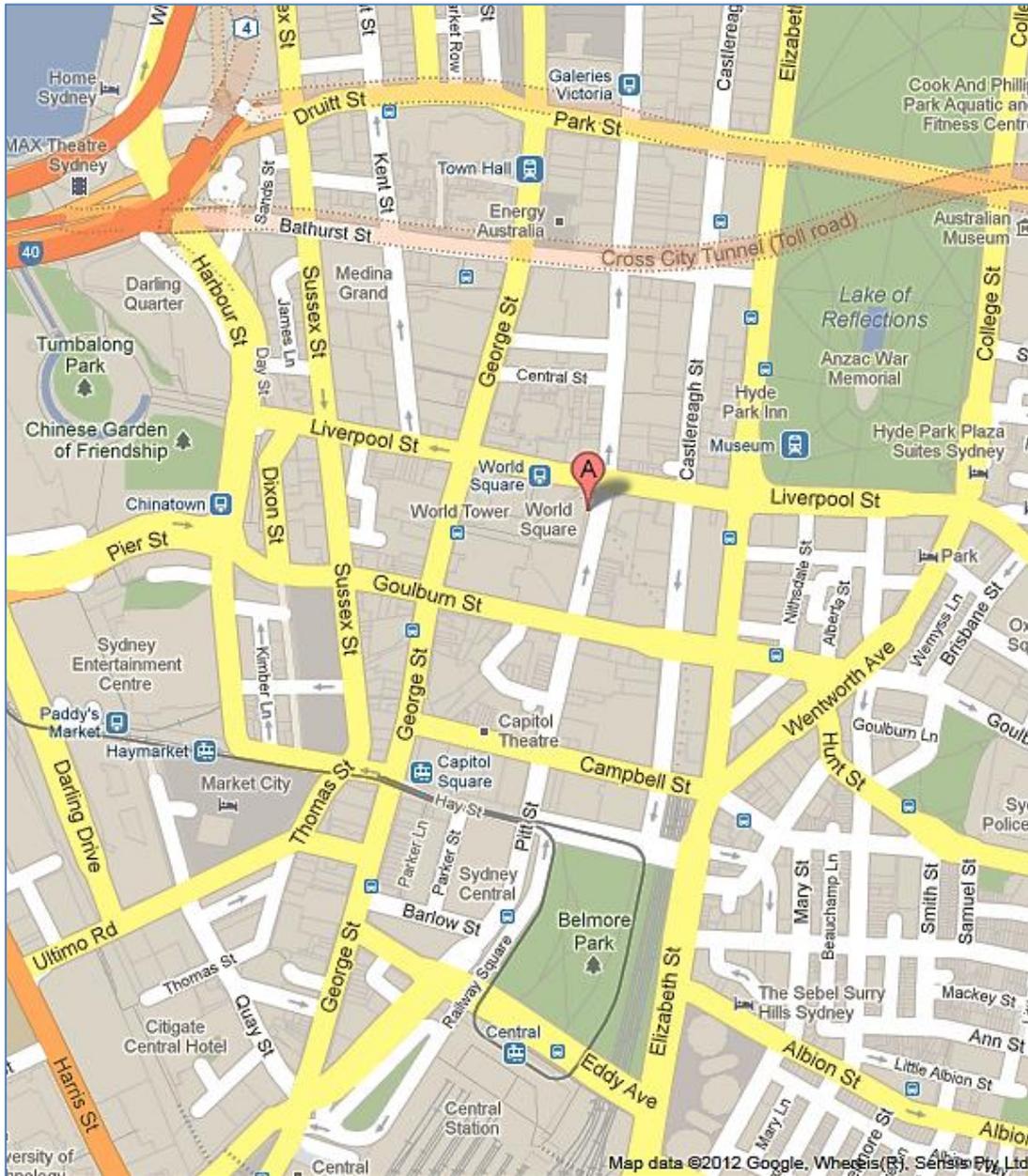


2017 Conference Walk-Through

The Conference venue is the Rydges World Square hotel that occupies the corner of Pitt and Liverpool Streets. See the 'How to get there' link on the ASCCA website's Conference page for details on transport options.



It is best to enter the Conference venue through the entrance at 389 Pitt St.

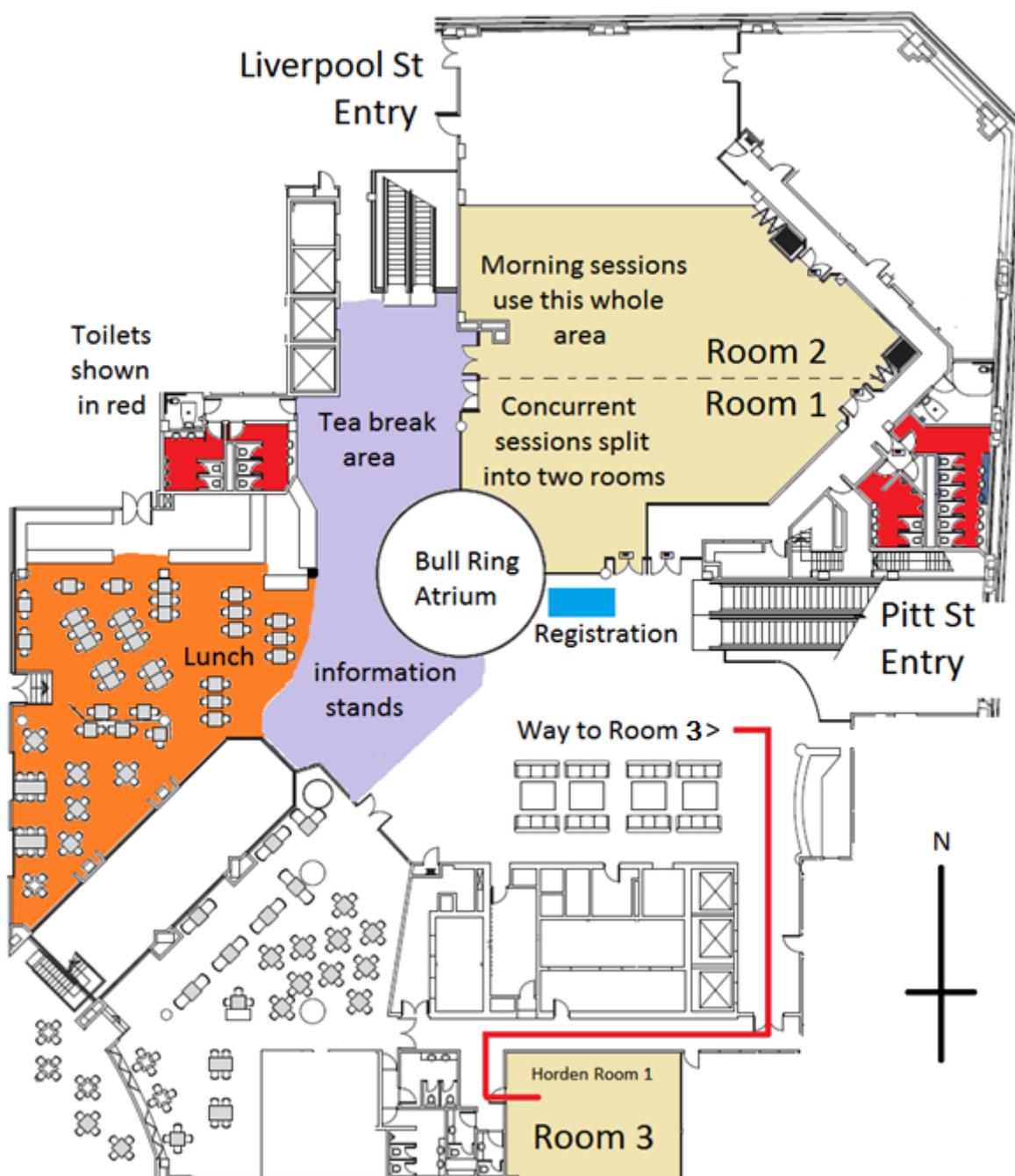


Walk inside and up the escalators to the hotel lobby. To your right are the conference rooms where the speakers will inform and entertain you later on. All Conference activities are on this level.

You need to arrive between 8:30 am and about 9:00 am. The first speaker begins at 9:30 each day and you have a few things to do before then.

Walk a few steps further to the three ASCCA registration tables near the glass atrium. After registering, you will get a lanyard with your registration tag and a satchel bag with useful items, valuable information, and the detailed conference program.

There is tea and coffee available in the foyer area. There are also toilets on this level. They are marked on the map below in red.



Look over your conference program during the day because you will have to decide on which of the concurrent sessions you will attend after lunch.

The Morning sessions

In the morning and middle sessions on each day, the Grand Ballroom is used as one big room and everyone hears the same group of speakers.

Morning Tea, Information Stands and Lunch

After the morning speakers, we move out to the foyer to have a morning break with coffee, tea and a biscuit, cake, muffin, etc.

During the breaks there will be information tables for you to view, chat and see demonstrations. Some of the stands will only be there for one day.

In the lunch break on each day we go to the other side of the atrium to the Sphere restaurant for the included buffet lunch with hot and cold food, salads, vegetables, meat, desserts, etc. It will include tea coffee, water and juice. Alcoholic drinks are extra.



The Concurrent Sessions

While we are at lunch, the Rydges staff transforms the big room into two smaller rooms for the afternoon's Concurrent Sessions and prepare a third separate room.

Once lunch break is over, the concurrent sessions begin in three separate rooms. Choices will be indicated in your program. **There may be in-depth sessions** that go for the whole time. **Or there may be choices of shorter sessions** that run for half the time, with a second set of choices for the second half. The rooms will have signs outside them to assist you. Rooms 1 and 2 are expected to be in the same area as the morning sessions. Room 3 is usually past the hotel check-in desk and lifts. See the red line on the map above for the expected location of Room 3. **Be aware that the hotel can occasionally change an allocated room in the weeks before the Conference.** The ASCCA staff and volunteers will make you aware of any changes. This page will also be updated.

The End of the Day

On the first day there is also an afternoon tea break. The rooms will then be changed back to the large room for the ASCCA Annual General Meeting and to hear the Competition Winners announced.

After the day is over, some of our delegates live close enough to go back to their own homes, while others stay overnight in the city. If you are looking at hotels, consider the convenience of staying at Rydges.

On the second day, we do it all again with another group of brilliant presentations. On day two there is an earlier finish with no afternoon break.