



Dining in the Dark – Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

What is Dining in the Dark?

Dining in the Dark is an immersive sensory dining event where guests wear eye coverings throughout the meal to experience what dining might feel like for someone living with visual impairment.

Why is EYECAN hosting this event?

As part of EYECAN's 140-year anniversary, the event raises awareness of sight loss, celebrates our history and community, and provides guests with a deeper understanding of accessibility challenges.

What happens when I arrive?

Guests are welcomed with a drink on arrival, invited to explore an exhibition of historic items and images, along with examples of client artwork, and will receive a goody bag before the dining experience begins.

How does the eye mask process work?

Guests are seated per table and will be invited into a seating area where staff and trained volunteers assist them in safely placing eye masks before being guided into the dining area.

Will I be guided to my seat?

Yes. Once masked, a volunteer will guide you directly and safely to your seat using recognised guiding techniques.

What support is available during the meal?

Hotel staff will serve the food, while volunteers provide reassurance, verbal descriptions, help with orientation, and accompany guests to restrooms if needed.

What will I be eating?

A three-course meal is served as a mystery dining experience. While dietary requirements are fully accommodated, we encourage guests to be adventurous and open-minded.



Can I remove my eye mask?

Guests should keep eye masks on throughout the meal where possible for the full sensory experience. Eye masks are removed after dessert for reflections and discussion. However, anyone feeling uncomfortable can request support from a volunteer and be assisted to the Reception area.

What happens during the Blind Auction?

Guests reapply eye masks while DJ Nelson will host an auction of artwork created by EYECAN clients. Guests will hear an audio description by the artist of their piece and will bid based solely on these descriptions.

Is the experience safe?

Yes. Volunteers and staff are trained in sighted guiding, safeguarding, and risk management. Photography is not allowed during masked periods for safety.

What should I wear?

Smart casual clothing is recommended. Comfortable shoes are advised as guided movement is involved.

Is the event accessible?

Yes. The venue provides accessible facilities, and EYECAN can support any access needs if notified in advance.

Where is the event held?

The event is hosted at the Radisson Hotel, Jersey, with parking available on-site and nearby.

How much are tickets?

Single tickets are £100 with guests being allocated to mixed tables, and full tables of 10 are £1000. Single ticket guests will be seated at mixed tables. If you know other single ticket holders and would like to sit together, just let us know when booking. Payment links are provided in the ticket instructions.

To Register for a table you can complete the form here: [Dining In the Dark Ticket Registration – Fill in form](#)

Who can I contact if I have questions?

You may contact the EYECAN Office at info@eyecan.je or call 01534 864689.