

AHSN 2025 Information on Adelaide



Travel and Accommodation

It is recommended that those planning to attend AHSN 2025 book travel and accommodation as early as possible. The conference is deliberately designed to occur alongside the opening of Adelaide's Fringe Festival, allowing attendees to experience the city at its cultural best. While there will certainly be plenty of accommodation options available, your preferred location may be harder to book than usual, so early bookings are advised.

For those looking to plan their stay, the location of the new Flinders City Campus can be found [here](#).

What to do and where to stay in Adelaide for AHSN 2025

Adelaide Fringe Festival 2025

The AHSN conference has been nicely timed to correspond with the opening night (Friday 21 February 2025) of the Adelaide Fringe Festival. Australia's biggest arts festival (and the world's second largest fringe festival after Edinburgh), Adelaide Fringe brings 8000+ artists together for a month of shows, with a strong comedy component.

Opening night will feature a parade and free events, before the shows begin proper on the weekend. Use the festival's [official website](#) to plan your extracurricular fringe experience.

What to do in the city

The AHSN conference site is at Festival Plaza, placing it at the heart of the Adelaide's cultural offerings. Take in a show at the [Adelaide Festival Centre](#) or stroll down North Terrace to the [Art Gallery of South Australia](#) and [South Australian Museum](#). We might have

also told you about the nearby MOD museum (<https://mod.org.au/>), and its rotating science and technology exhibits, but since the place is affiliated with University of South Australia, we won't.

For culture of a different variety, the conference is across the river from [Adelaide Oval](#), home to an old scoreboard, cricket, one excellent football team that wears light blue, and one terrible one that doesn't. You can climb its roof!

The [SkyCity Casino](#) is also right next door, but if that information leads to a crippling addiction, you absolutely did not hear it from us.

A quick tram ride will take you to the [Adelaide Botanic Gardens](#) and [Adelaide Central Market](#); a much longer tram ride will take you to [the beach](#). There's only one tram line, so God save you if you can't figure that one out.

For those with access to a car, you might consider taking a day trip to one of (smugness alert) *three* excellent wine regions surrounding the city: the [Adelaide Hills](#); [McClaren Vale](#); and the [Barossa Valley](#).

For those with access to a drinking problem, there's a range of close-by options, with the classiest ones on Peel Street and the hipster-ist ones at Gilbert Place.

Robert (sophisticated, probably eats snails) recommends [La Buvette](#).

Alex (rowdy, salt-of-the-earth type) recommends [Memphis Slims](#).

VERY CLOSEST NO-FUSS ALCOHOL ALERT [Maltshovel Taphouse](#)

Meanwhile, the CBD location means there is a [whole range of eating options](#).

And in case you were wondering about us Southern Australiana, no, we don't actually eat crow..... (despite our rude nick-name).

Where to stay

There's no shortage of places to stay in the CBD, although do consider booking nice and early given the swell of visitors during festival season.

Off the top of our heads, the [InterContinental](#), the [Oaks Adelaide Embassy Suites](#), and the [Holiday Inn](#) are close-by options offering different price points.

But if those don't appeal, check out this [pre-filtered list of nearby accommodation](#), with prices ranging from the Mayfair to the 'may I sleep on your couch'.

For any questions about Adelaide or the conference, Alex is happy to help: alexander.cothren@flinders.edu.au

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