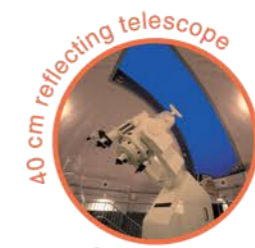
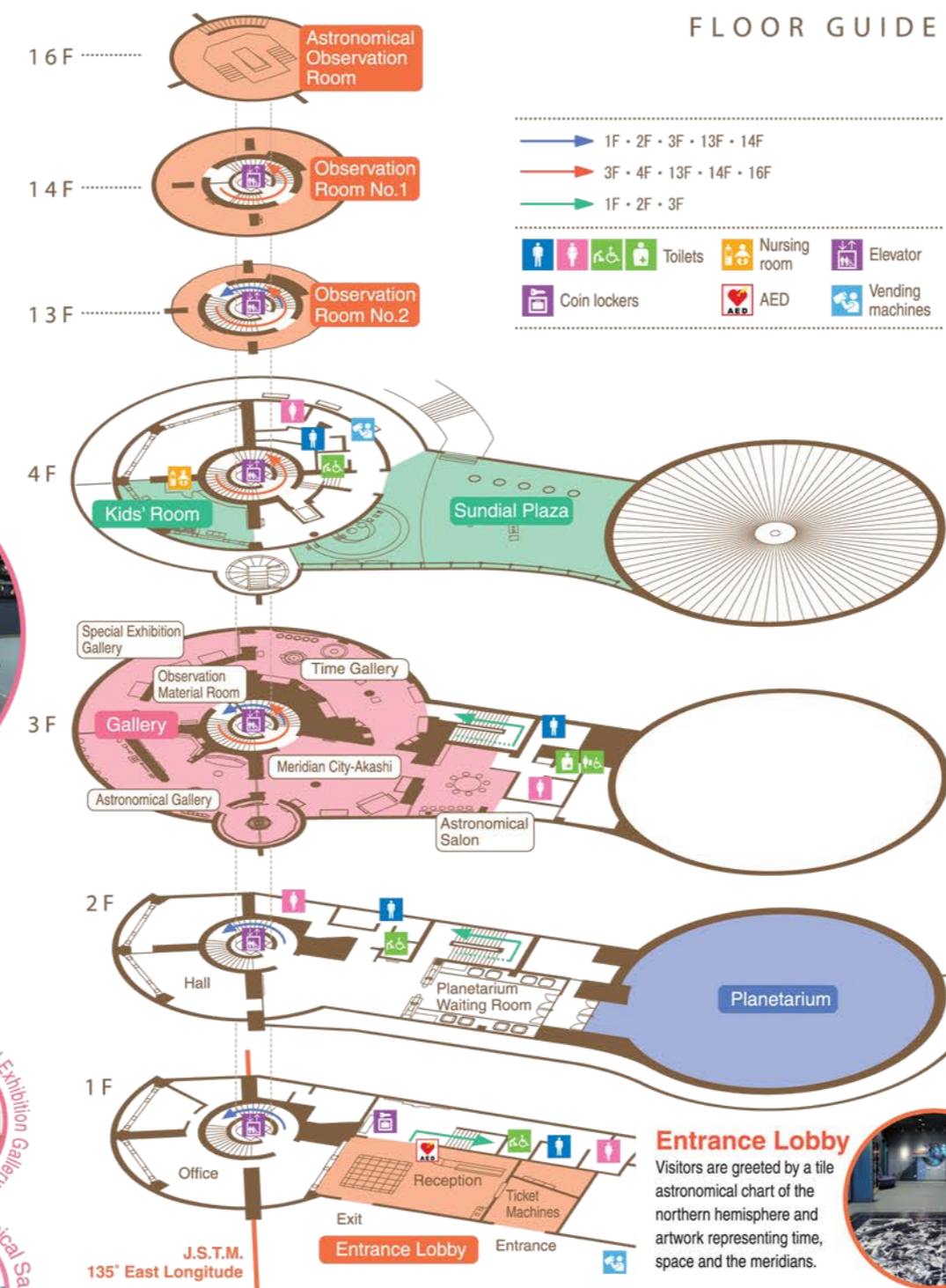




Sundial Plaza

Visitors can learn about time from the human sundial and many other types of sundials, and see a model of the solar system that is 20 million times smaller in size. There is also a playroom for small kids and a nursing room.



Astronomical Observation Room

The observatory has a 40 cm reflecting telescope that is opened once a month to a local observatory event.



Observation Room

The Observation Deck offers panoramic views in all directions including the Akashi Kaikyo Bridge.



Spiral Staircase

The estimated 13.7 billion years from the Big Bang to the Dawn of Mankind is plotted on a 365-day calendar. Also, all 88 constellations are depicted on the walls.



Planetarium

The hall's projector was made by Carl Zeiss Jena and has been operating ever since the facility opened. Visitors watch accurately rendered images of the nighttime sky to a live explanation.



Gallery

Befitting to a "museum of time and space," exhibits delve into meridians, astronomy, Astronomical observations, calendars and time. Exhibits are periodically changed in the Special Exhibition Gallery.



Entrance Lobby

Visitors are greeted by a tile astronomical chart of the northern hemisphere and artwork representing time, space and the meridians.

