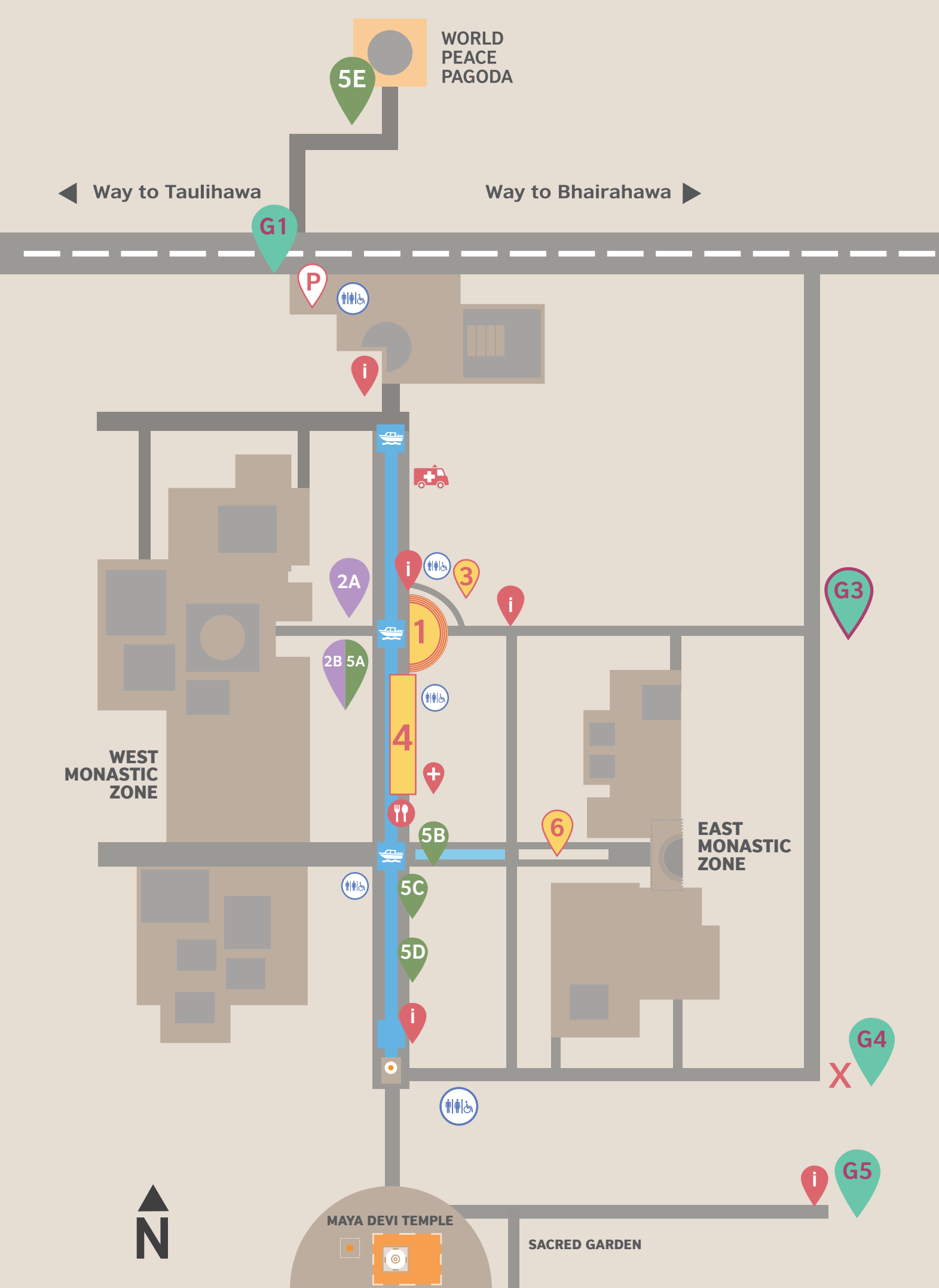


TIME	ACTIVITY	DETAILS	VENUE
DAY 1 - 15 APRIL			
4:00 PM	TALK: Behind the Scenes with Amrita Anmol and Swastima Khadka	WOW Presenter Malvika Subba continues this WOW series with the festival exploring how celebrated personalities use their platforms to advance gender advocacy and awareness.	1
5:00 - 5:45 PM	PLAY: The Journey of life	An original production narrating the experiences of disabled women. Produced and presented by the Creative Women Dawrf Association Nepal.	
5:45 - 6:45 PM	SCREENING: WoW Films	A collection of short films made by women/girls on a range of gender topics. Screening will be followed by Q&A . Presented by Kipalaya, Plan International Nepal and British Council's Camera Sika programme.	
6:45 - 7:15 PM	STAND-UP: ExtraordiNAARI	Five women from Lumbini take stage for the first time to talk about gender through comedy.	
7:15 - 7: 30 PM	CLOSING: Vigil	Closing with a candle lighting ceremony with Lumbini Development Trust to celebrate women/girls.	
DAY 2 - 16 APRIL			
8:00 - 9:30 AM	MORNING ACTIVITY I: Warming Up with Football	Girls from Shuddhodhan, Kapilvastu show their skills and help participants warm up for the day through a football routine. Presented with support from Atoot.	1
9:30 - 10:00 AM	MORNING ACTIVITY II: Meditation for mental wellbeing	Khamesi Guruma and Vajra Bhante from Lumbini will facilitate a guided meditation session.	3
9:00 - 10:00 AM	Speed Mentoring	Fun and exciting activity connecting women/girls across backgrounds through rapid rounds of mentoring.	
10:00 AM	OPENING: WOW MARKETPLACE	The WOW Marketplace brings together products, ideas, initiatives, and other goods/services by women, for women. A gathering point for the festival - a place to learn, network and connect with others.	4
10:30 - 11:30 AM	OPENING: WOW Nepal - Lumbini	Opening programme featuring a mix of everything WOW has to offer, including a conversation with the event organisers Performance: A Daughter's Love: The Untold Story of Mahapajapati by Dharmawheels Tabletop stories by theatre artists from Lumbini & Kathmandu Keynotes by Rubina Musalman, Lumbini Cultural Municipality & Dr Ruth Kelly, University of Durham Talk programme featuring representatives from Lumbini Development Trust, British Council & Lumbini Sanskritik Municipality	1
11:30 - 11:50 AM	POETRY: On the Idea of Inclusion	Poems by women on disability selected from an open call by Access Planet.	6
12 - 1 PM	WOW BITES: Museum of Stories - Session I	Personal stories of women from Lumbini and other parts of Nepal and the UK. Curated Reclaiming Narratives, supported by Dr. Ruth Kelly, University of Durham, Sangita Uranw (theatremaker).	
1:30 - 2:30 PM	WOW BITES: Museum of Stories - Session II		
2:45 - 3:00 PM	PLAY: Hamaar Jindagi. Hamaar Adhikaar. (Our Life. Our Rights.) by Atoot	Girls from Shuddhodhan, Kapilvastu perform an original drama they created for WOW - presented in Awadhi language. Presented by Atoot.	
3:30 - 4:00 PM	PERFORMANCE: Brown is Gold	Artists Alice Fox, UK and Ashmina Ranjit along with sanitation workers conduct a participatory performance art piece - leading a procession to the Brown is Gold project's mud house installations which are part of a year-long education programme. Presented by University of Brighton, UK with support from IDS Nepal.	1
3:00 - 4:00 PM	TALK: Mentoring/coaching for Women Empowerment	Reviewing the importance of mentoring as a tool to tackle gender inequality with speakers who have formally/informally mentored people in their professional careers. Uma Thapa Magar, Bindu Pariyar and Smarika Pokharel share their views with Hima Bista. Presented by Women LEAD.	6
4:00 - 5:00 PM	TALK: Women's Narratives: A conversation with writers/authors	Asmita Badi, Indu Tharu, Dil Kumari Budha Magar and Tara Rai in conversation with Anbika Giri. Speakers present their written word as their voice and advocacy.	1
5:00 - 5:30 PM	PERFORMANCE: बाल बिवाह (Child Marriage)	Original production aimed at raising awareness amongst muslim youth against the practice of child marriage. Presented by Nepal Muslim Women Welfare Society and collaborators.	
5:30 -7:00 PM	TALK: Women's Place in Lumbini and Buddhism	Venerable Metteyya Shakyaputta, and Dr. Sharada Poudel, Lumbini Buddhist University talk to journalist Amrita Anmol about women of Buddhist history, the rapid development gripping the region and how it could help transform the lives of women/girls. Followed by Buddhist (evening) chants by nuns from Gautami Bhikkuni Vihara and Nuns from Bodhi Institute.	
7:00 - 8:15 PM	FESTIVAL CLOSING: WOW Concert	Festival closing event with presenter Malvika Subba, speaker Sarita Shreesh. Featuring deuda performance by young women from Kalikot on child and forced marriage - presented by Plan International Nepal and Kipalaya. Followed by closing musical programme with Echoes in the Valley's AmplifiHer which showcases the outcome of a 10-day collaboration between women musicians, audio-visual artists from Lumbini and Bagmati Province.	
EXHIBITIONS			
All Day	Rinzin: A Story of Survival	British Council's multi-year exploration of harmful practices practices reviews focus on caste-based discrimination and gender intersections for this edition. Photojournalist Sonam Choekyi Lama documents the life of a woman in the mountainous region of Dolpo. Curated by Beth Troakes (Brighton, UK).	5C
	Hamaar Jindagi. Hamaar Sapane. (Our Life. Our Dreams.)	Girls from Sudhodhan, Kapilvastu share how they encounter gender inequality in their daily lives. Presented by Atoot.	5D
	Queer: In our own words	British Council's In Our Own Words series with Kaalo.101 and twelve queer creatives. Featuring an anthology, videos and artworks.	5A
	Museum of Stories	Exhibition of portraits and excerpts from women who have presented their personal stories through WOW Bites in previous editions.	5B
	Brown is Gold - Mud huts	Mud-house installations made to support a year-long education programme on sanitation. Created by University of Brighton with community women from Gulariya, Bardia.	5E
WORKSHOP			
Only for pre-registered participants	Theatre and gender	Theatre professionals think about their profession and skills through a gender lens.	2A
	Investing with Grace	Finance literacy workshop for young women focused on stock market investments. Uses theatre and practical grants to help women start their investment portfolio.	2B
	Strength TogetHER	Strength TogetHER provides a safe space for girls to share their life stories and experiences where they learn and be aware that they are not alone as they relate to stories. With WOW we are expanding to Lumbini to connect girls & help them overcome feelings of “not being enough.” Closed group event Facilitated by Grace Rauniyar, Trishagni Shakya.	2A
	Postcard making for under 18s	A session dedicated to learning about menstrual health through art, writing and sharing sessions Facilitated by Kumari's Adventure on Her Mooncyle—a story about the magic of menstruation, curated by UK designer Sophie Maliphant.	2B
	In Our Own Words - Women & irls in picture books	Workshop for students and educators, where reflection follows reading of select titles from children's stories with women/girls characters. Facilitated by Anuradha.	
	In Our Own Words - Creating Illustrated stories on gender	Workshop for young people to write a quick illustrated story Facilitated by: Anuradha and Alina Chhantel. With supported from Asia Foundation.	



**GATES**

G1 G3 G4 G5

Main entrance

**LOCATIONS**

1 Amphitheatre 3 Mango Forest (Speed mentoring) 4 Lumbini Park Canal (Marketplace) 6 Lotus Pond

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**Legend:**

P Parking i Info-Stands + Medical Ambulance

Food Stalls Boat Shuttle Restrooms No Entry

## About Women of the World Festival

Women of the World (WOW) is a global movement —started by Jude Kelly CBE in the UK— that takes a creative approach to bringing gender equality into conversations with youth, community, and stakeholders from diverse backgrounds in one place. WOW Nepal has objectives of raising awareness of intersectional gender issues, providing a platform to advance the voices of those at margins of society and building a network of capable collaborators who can contribute to a more equal world. WOW Festivals are organised in partnership with the WOW Foundation, UK.

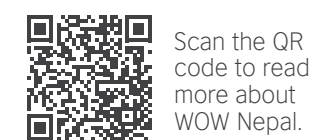
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