

BE BOLD

EMPERORS & JEWELS

Treasures of the Indian Courts from The al-Sabah Collection, Kuwait

ON NOW AT THE AGA KHAN MUSEUM

FALL SEPT-DEC 2018

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AGA KHAN MUSEUM PROGRAM GUIDE

THE OTHER SIDE OF FEAR

PERFORMING ARTS

This season, performing arts presentations feature acclaimed artists who have transcended fear through their art. Under the banner of The Other Side of Fear, we explore the definition of fear, what it means to face fear, and how we attempt to define, confront, and conquer fear in ourselves and others.

We kick off with soulful vocalist Aynur Doğan who, in exile, celebrates the traditions of the stateless Kurdish people.

Returning for a fourth successful year, our annual Duende: Flamenco Festival embraces this inherently cross-cultural artform that often expresses desperation, persecution, and pride through performances and film.

We close the season with a reimagining of the final hours of a fearless 24-year-old Pakistani Kathak dancer who called Toronto home.

Visit agakhanmuseum.org to reserve your seats for these and many more brave performances. Be one of the lucky few to experience our groundbreaking fall performing arts season.



SHOP AND DINE

Treat yourself to the Museum Shop's selection of one-of-a-kind treasures. Discover home accessories, jewellery, and textiles inspired by the Museum's Permanent Collection. Browse for the perfect gift online, at shop.agakhanmuseum.org, or in person.

While you're here, come feast on bold new tastes at the Museum's Diwan restaurant. Enjoy shareable dishes inspired by our exhibitions and the cuisines of India, North Africa, and the Middle East. Lunch with us Tuesday to Sunday, 11:30 am to 2:30 pm (book online at opentable.com).



MAKE AN IMPACT

BECOME A FRIEND

Museum Friends provide vital support for our exhibitions, performing arts, and education programs, helping to make the Museum's vision for the future a reality.

Friends of the Museum enjoy special exhibition previews, discounts on dining, shopping, and select programs, and free gallery admission for an entire year.

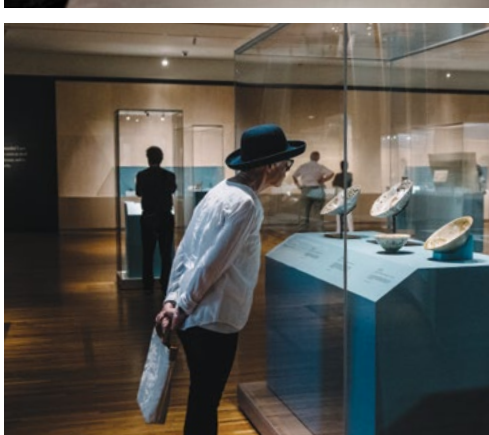
To learn more, call 416.646.4667 or visit agakhanmuseum.org/join-and-support.



CHALLENGE PERCEPTIONS

ANNUAL LECTURE

Internationally celebrated artist and global thinker eL Seed delves into his public art projects all around the world and how art became a pretext for amazing human experiences. From the streets of New York to the favelas of Rio de Janeiro, his contemporary approach aims to bring people, cultures, and generations together.



BE ORIGINAL BOOK YOUR HOLIDAY EVENT NOW

From holiday parties to weddings, business meetings, and intimate gatherings, corporate and private events at the Aga Khan Museum are always stylish and elegant. Contact private.events@agakhanmuseum.org or call 416.646.4671.





EXHIBITION

TRANSFORMING TRADITIONS

The Arts of 19th-Century Iran

OPENING SEPTEMBER 22, 2018

Bear witness to the complex dynamics that impacted the arts of a society at a crossroads between tradition and transformation during a century of turbulent change.

Caught between the desire to maintain time-honoured local traditions and the increasing need to engage with ever more pervasive outside influences and currents of innovation, *Transforming Traditions: The Arts of 19th-Century Iran* tells powerful stories through artworks created under the Qajar dynasty between 1785 and 1925.

The exhibition brings together rare portraits, paintings, lacquerware, lithographed manuscripts, photographs, musical instruments, and textiles from a host of prominent international and national collections.

Appreciate masterpieces from the Aga Khan Museum, which are joined by a major loan from the Louvre Museum and select items from other institutions, including the musée du quai Branly, the Arthur M. Sackler Gallery, and the Royal Ontario Museum.



EXHIBITION

EMPERORS & JEWELS

Treasures of the Indian Courts from The al-Sabah Collection, Kuwait

CLOSING JANUARY 27, 2019

Magnificently adorning themselves to feast and to fight, the Mughals of India and their contemporaries in the Deccan Sultanates embraced the jewelled arts. The exhibition *Emperors & Jewels* pays tribute to their love of opulence and celebrates the artisans who blended Indian, Persian, and Central Asian traditions as effortlessly as they combined precious stones, jade, and gold.

SEPTEMBER

01

SPECIAL EVENT

Dancing in the Park: On Screen

Join us in the park for a free screening of *Ballerina*.
8 pm

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PERFORMANCE

Vocal Recital by Pandit Ajoy Chakrabarty

An associate partnership with Raag-Mala Toronto presenting the world-renowned vocalist.
7 pm
Tickets starting from \$30, 10% discount for Friends

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PERFORMANCE

Aynur

Internationally acclaimed Kurdish singer Aynur Doğan launches our fall season.
8 pm
\$50, \$45 Friends, \$37.50 students and seniors

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KEYNOTE TALK

Qajar Paintings and Visual Culture Between East and West, with Dr. Layla Diba

2 pm
\$20, \$18 Friends, \$12 students and seniors
Museum admission included

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NUIT BLANCHE

Arrivals and Encounters is a sunset-to-sunrise cultural exploration of installations, performances, art, and storytelling.
7 pm–7 am
Free



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ANNUAL LECTURE

How Can Art Bring People Together, with eL Seed

6:30 pm
\$40, \$36 Friends, \$20 students and seniors
Museum admission included

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LECTURE

The Activated Viewer: The Impact of Participatory Art in Non-Inclusive Environments, with Manal Aldowayan

1 pm
Free with Museum admission



2–21

PERFORMANCE

Noor

Residency in a Mongolian yurt highlights the work of emerging playwright Erum Khan.
October 2–12: Live rehearsals, free
October 13–21: Performances, \$25, \$22.50 Friends
Various times, limited seating

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PERFORMANCE

Tabla Legacy, with Pandit Anindo and Anubrata Chatterjee

Legendary father/son duo are joined by local cross-cultural explorers Near East with guest vocalist.
7 pm
\$40, \$36 Friends, \$30 students and seniors

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PERFORMANCE

Yazz Ahmed with Kamacello

Transcendental duo perform alongside powerhouse UK jazz trumpeter/composer.
8 pm
\$35, \$31.50 Friends, \$26.25 students and seniors
Round-trip shuttle from Union Station: \$5

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SHAKESPEARE WALLAH FILM SERIES

Shakespeare Wallah (1965, 120 min., G)

Our Shakespeare-themed Bollywood film series begins with this Merchant Ivory classic about a theatre troupe in post-colonial India.
3 pm
\$12, \$10 Friends
Ticket package details available online

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CURATOR'S TOUR

Emperors & Jewels, with Sarah Beam-Borg

6:30 pm
\$20, \$18 Friends, \$12 students and seniors
Museum admission included

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COURSE

In the World of a Prince: Adornment in the Mughal and Deccan Court, with Sudharshan Durayappah

Wednesdays, 6:30 pm–8:30 pm
\$210, \$180 Friends, \$150 students and seniors
50% parking discount available during the course
Continues through November 28 (except October 31)

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LECTURE

Portraiture in Mughal Art and Early Photography in Colonial India, with Akshaya Tankha

1 pm
Free with Museum admission

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LECTURE

Changing Perceptions: Pop Culture and Social Perception, with Zarqa Nawaz, creator of Little Mosque on the Prairie

2 pm
\$20, \$18 Friends, \$12 students and seniors
Museum admission included

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WORKSHOP

Jewellery Workshop, with Arzina Murji

11 am–4 pm
\$50, \$45 Friends, \$40 students and seniors
(* materials fee \$25 per participant)

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SHAKESPEARE WALLAH FILM SERIES

Qayamat Se Qayamat Tak (1988, 163 min., PG)

A smash-hit Bollywood retelling of *Romeo and Juliet*.
3 pm
\$12, \$10 Friends
Ticket package details available online

03–11

DUENDE: FLAMENCO FESTIVAL

Performances exploring the boundaries, traditions, and trajectories of flamenco.

Individual event pricing and ticket package details available online.

Vengo (2000) with performance by Carmen Romero
November 3, 3 pm

Flamenco Arabia
November 4, 6:30 pm

An associate partnership with the Canadian Arabic Orchestra, and part of the Festival of Arabic Music and Arts

Bloodsongs and Tamar Ilana
November 7, 8 pm

Qudud Flamenco
November 9, 8:30 pm

A premiere performance in partnership with Le Festival du Monde Arabe de Montréal

Manuel Ramirez with special guest Renka featuring José Vega
November 11, 4 pm



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COURSE

Fit for a Palace: Mughal-Inspired Art Making, with Fatima Malik

Sundays, 1–4 pm
\$140, \$120 Friends, \$100 students and seniors
50% parking discount available during the course
(* materials fee \$25 per participant)
Continues through December 2

18

LECTURE

Of Historicity and Historical (un)Truth in Contemporary Iranian Art, with Dr. Talinn Grigor

1 pm
\$20, \$18 Friends, \$12 students and seniors
Museum admission included

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SHAKESPEARE WALLAH FILM SERIES

Omkara (2006, 155 min., 14A)

A gripping Bollywood adaptation of *Othello*.
3 pm
\$12, \$10 Friends
Ticket package details available online

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PERFORMANCE

Evergreen Club Contemporary Gamelan

Toronto-based ensemble celebrates 35 years of making Canadian-Indonesian gamelan music.
3 pm
\$30, \$27 Friends, \$22.50 students and seniors

DECEMBER

01

PERFORMANCE

The World of Jahanara

A tribute to a fearless Pakistani-Canadian dancer.
8 pm
\$30, \$27 Friends, \$22.50 students and seniors

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LECTURE

Persian Art in Canada: Early Collections and Exhibitions, with Bita Pourvash

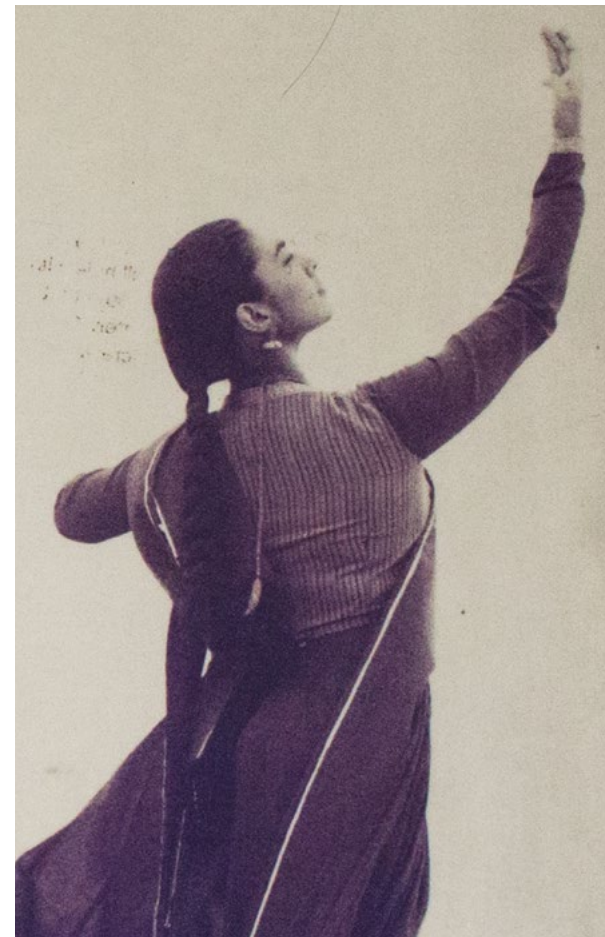
1 pm
Free with Museum admission

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SHAKESPEARE WALLAH FILM SERIES

Maqbool (2003, 132 min., NR)

A Bollywood adaptation of Shakespeare's *Macbeth*.
3 pm
\$12, \$10 Friends
Ticket package details available online



COMING MARCH 2019

EXHIBITION

MIRROR OF TIME

The Moon in Islamic Art and Culture

Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing, *Mirror of Time – The Moon in Islamic Art and Culture* explores the importance of the moon in Muslim cultures. Using manuscripts, miniature paintings, scientific instruments, and other artifacts, *Mirror of Time* looks at the moon's significance in Islamic faith, ritual, science, and the arts.

The exhibition features artifacts from the Harvard Art Museums, the Victoria and Albert Museum, the Museum for the History of Science, Oxford, and the Aga Khan Museum.

Programming subject to change. Visit agakhanmuseum.org for details.



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FAMILY PROGRAMMING

Family Sundays

Sundays, 12–4 pm
Free with Museum admission

Family Exploration Kits

Pick up a complimentary activity kit on your next visit!
Visit our Tickets Desk for details.

TOURS

Gallery, Special Exhibitions, and Architecture Tours

Daily, various times
\$10 adults, \$5 students and seniors plus Museum admission



POP-UP PERFORMANCES

Wednesdays: 5 pm, 6 pm, and 7 pm
Weekends: 12 pm, 1 pm, and 3 pm
Free

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ABOUT US

The Aga Khan Museum is dedicated to connecting cultures through the arts. A centre for innovation and creativity, through exhibitions, performing arts, films, talks, workshops, and more, the Museum expands people's understanding of the contributions of Islamic civilization to global cultural heritage.

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HOURS AND TICKETS

Monday: Closed
(except holiday Mondays)
Tuesday: 10 am–6 pm
Wednesday: 10 am–8 pm
Thursday–Sunday: 10 am–6 pm
Museum admission is free every
Wednesday from 4–8 pm. Join us!