



SPRING/SUMMER MAY–AUG 2019

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AGA KHAN MUSEUM PROGRAM GUIDE

CELEBRATE SUMMER

SCOTIABANK CONTACT PHOTOGRAPHY FESTIVAL

APRIL 30–JUNE 2, 2019

Enjoy a free installation showcasing the photography of Iranian-Canadian contemporary visual artist Sanaz Mazinani, whose globally-exhibited artworks invite us to rethink how we see.

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FESTIVAL

DOORS OPEN

MAY 25–26, 2019

Step inside one of the city's finest architectural gems during the 20th annual Doors Open Toronto! We're pleased to offer free entry to our award-winning venue, including our luminous atrium, serene courtyard, contemplative Bellerive Room, and Permanent Collection gallery.

The weekend also features special architecture tours, family activities, pop-up performances, and discounted admission to *The Moon: A Voyage Through Time*.

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BUILDING SERVICES

A SUMMER OF CELEBRATIONS

This summer, grab the sunscreen and your dancing shoes for not one, not two, but three outdoor festivals at the Museum and in the Park!

All three festivals feature live music, food vendors, a Middle Eastern souk-style artisan market, family-friendly activities, and dance workshops, making the Museum the place to be for culture-lovers of all ages.

RHYTHMS OF CANADA

WEEKEND OF JULY 1ST

Join us for a party that celebrates Canada's contemporary fabric — a dynamic mix of world views, cultures, stories, and rhythms. Our festivities honour the Indigenous people of this land and explore Toronto's many traditional and modern arts.

MOON LANDING FESTIVAL

WEEKEND OF JULY 20TH

Bring friends and family for lunar-inspired festivities as we mark 50 years since humans first landed on the moon! To complement our new exhibition *The Moon: A Voyage Through Time*, we bring you two exciting media projects: a lunar video projection and an interactive moon music-making station.

FIRST FIVE FEST

LABOUR DAY WEEKEND

Save the date for our fifth birthday bash! We opened our doors in 2014, making us the first museum in North America dedicated to Islamic art. Now to celebrate five amazing years of connecting cultures, we're hosting a party featuring an array of live performances, including Bhangra (Punjabi pop music). This celebration also kicks off our 2019/20 Performing Arts season, *Listening to Each Other*.

THE MOON

A VOYAGE THROUGH TIME

On now until August 18, 2019

“OUT OF THIS WORLD” – Toronto Star

Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 lunar landing by discovering the wonder, knowledge, and beauty the moon has inspired through the ages, across the Muslim world and beyond. Encounter ancient objects and the moonlight gardens of Indian palaces. See lunar photographs, compose lunar poetry, and marvel at our giant illuminated moon sculpture. Since the dawn of civilization, the moon has captivated cultures – this summer, let it captivate you!



CARAVANS OF GOLD, FRAGMENTS IN TIME

Art, Culture, and Exchange Across Medieval Saharan Africa
OPENING SEPTEMBER 21, 2019

Explore the lost African kingdoms that fueled the global economy with gold, objects, and ideas. You'll encounter works of art from Africa never before seen in Canada, and meet the richest man thought to have ever lived. *Caravans of Gold* showcases recently-excavated fragments – on loan from the national collections of Nigeria, Mali, and Morocco – to reveal the medieval era's global connections and the rarely-told story of Africa's central role.

FREE

Same-day Museum admission with the purchase of a ticket to a TALK or PERFORMANCE.



CHANGEMAKERS TALK SERIES

Join us for a series of talks that delve into the critical conversations of our time. This season, we present four exceptional women who are forging new paths in art and activism.



VOYAGES OUT THE MOON AND SPACE EXPLORATION

Don't miss this Library event series, exploring the moon's association with artists, storytellers, scientists, astronomers, and other guests.

April & May in select branches.

Visit tpl.ca/moon for event listings. Did you know? You can borrow a free Museum pass from select TPL branches. Details: torontopubliclibrary.ca/mappass



Show your PRESTO card to save 20% off general admission and 10% off on-site Shop purchases.

MAY

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CHANGEMAKERS TALK

Igniting Agency with Dr. Lauryn Oates

Meet an award-winning human rights activist and discover the extraordinary outcomes of empowering women and girls in war zones.

7 pm
\$20, \$18 Friends, \$12 students and seniors

Buy all four Changemakers Talks for \$60.

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ADULT WORKSHOP

Knitting Together with Kirk Dunn

Knit your own beautiful pillows, taking inspiration from our Permanent Collection.

11 am–4 pm
\$50, \$45 Friends, \$40 students and seniors

11–12

PERFORMANCE

The Knitting Pilgrim

Be inspired by Kirk Dunn's one-man play and his award-winning textile installation, both exploring interfaith understanding, followed by a Q&A.

May 11 at 3 pm & 8 pm, May 12 at 6 pm
\$25, \$22.50 Friends, \$18.75 students and seniors

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PERFORMANCE

Rhythm Rewritten with Seema Mehta and Jason Samuels Smith

Experience a spellbinding fusion of movement and stories as tap dancing meets Indian Kathak performance.

8 pm
\$50, \$45 Friends, \$37.50 students and seniors

Presented in partnership with the Kabir Centre

25–26

SPECIAL EVENT

Doors Open

Spend the day at the Museum, enjoying architecture tours, family activities, performances, and more.

10 am–5 pm

Free

GREAT GULF DOORS OPEN

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PERFORMANCE

Gordon Grdina's The Marrow

Groove to a mesmerizing blend of Arabic maqam, Persian dastgah, and avant-garde jazz.

8 pm
\$40, \$36 Friends, \$30 students and seniors

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FILM

Hot Docs Festival 2019

Enjoy a selection of outstanding cinema as part of North America's largest documentary festival.

For details and tickets visit: hotdocs.ca

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CHANGEMAKERS TALK

Performative Preservation with MIT's Dr. Azra Akšamija

Find out how a new preservation method, melding art, design, and technology can help restore cultures wounded by crisis.

7 pm
\$20, \$18 Friends, \$12 students and seniors

Buy all four Changemakers Talks for \$60.

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INSIGHT TOUR

The Moon: Listening to the Moon with Laboni Islam

Take a lyrical journey through our new exhibition, pausing for poetry that illuminates the moon – as witness, metaphor, and marker of time.

3:30 pm
\$20, \$18 Friends, \$12 students and seniors

Includes same-day Museum admission

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ALBUM RELEASE

Kamancello and Tamar Ilana's Ventanas

Join us for a concert celebrating the release of *Kamancello II: Voyage* and *MISTRAL*, albums from two acclaimed cross-cultural groups.

7:30 pm
\$35, \$31.50 Friends, \$26.25 students and seniors

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MOON MOVIES

Join us for a free series of moon-inspired movies for the whole family.



MAY 22 AT 6 PM
Wallace and Gromit: A Grand Day Out (1989, 23 min, G)
Le Voyage Dans La Lune (1902, 14 min, G)

JUNE 26 AT 6 PM
Hidden Figures (2016, 127 min, PG)

JULY 14 AT 3 PM
First Man (2018, 142 min, G)

AUGUST 11 AT 3PM
Apollo 11 (2019, 93 min, G)

JUNE

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ADULT WORKSHOP

Secrets of the Astrolabe with Pierre Paquette

Learn the secrets of this ancient “computer of the sky” and make one of your own to use at home.

11 am–4 pm
\$50, \$45 Friends, \$40 students and seniors

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ADULT WORKSHOP

Moon Writing Workshop with Laboni Islam and Kelley Aitken

Make the moon your muse and craft your own poetry and prose with dynamic writing activities.

11 am–4 pm
\$50, \$45 Friends, \$40 students and seniors

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PERFORMANCE

In the Footsteps of Rumi

Don't miss Constantinople, featuring Ghalia Benali, exploring love and existence through the timeless poetry of Rumi.

8 pm
\$40, \$36 Friends, \$30 students and seniors

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PERFORMANCE

Comedy from The Other Side of Fear: Azhar Usman

Laugh the night away with one of America's funniest comics, back by popular demand with a new show, *Audience of One*.

7 pm & 9:30 pm
\$30, \$27 Friends, \$22.50 students and seniors

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CHANGEMAKERS TALK

Finding Ourselves in Our Clothes with Meera Sethi

Find out how style can be a resource for positive change through politics, culture, and spirit.

7 pm
\$20, \$18 Friends, \$12 students and seniors

Buy all four Changemakers Talks for \$60.

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LUNCHTIME TALK

The Moon and Humanity with Dr. Jamil Shariff

Learn how moon exploration affects the future of humanity with one of the astronomers working on the new Lunar Gateway space station project.

1 pm
Free with Museum admission

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LUNCHTIME TALK

Building Narratives, One Photo at a Time with Kiana Hayeri

Join us for a rare and hopeful photographic look into the daily lives of Afghan women affected by war.

1 pm
Free with Museum admission

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OPEN STUDIO CLASS

Stories of Rhythm with Seema Mehta and Jason Samuels Smith

Calling all dance lovers! Learn an innovative style of dance, blending tap and classical Indian Kathak. No experience or footwear necessary.

12–1 pm
\$20, \$18 Friends, \$15 students and seniors

Presented in partnership with the Kabir Centre

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PERFORMANCE

Scintillating Santoor

Delight in the artistry of acclaimed Indian santoor player Pandit Satish Vyas as he performs evening raagas.

7 pm
\$40 Orchestra, \$30 Balcony, 10% discount for Friends

An associate partnership with Raag-Mala Toronto

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CHANGEMAKERS TALK

The Sisters Project: Photography as a Tool for Social Change with Alia Youssef

Hear from Egyptian-Canadian artist Alia Youssef, whose groundbreaking photography project created new space for Muslim women.

7 pm
\$20, \$18 Friends, \$12 students and seniors

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INSIGHT TOUR

The Moon: A Voyage Through Time with Sarah Beam-Borg

Take a visual journey through *The Moon* with Senior Exhibitions Manager Sarah Beam-Borg, and get a behind-the-scenes look at how the exhibition took shape.

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

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PERFORMANCE

Maestros in Performance

Enjoy the elegant and meditative melodies of two modern masters – Pandit Tejendra Narayan Majumdar on the sarod and Pandit Subhankar Banerjee on the tabla.

7 pm
\$40 Orchestra, \$30 Balcony, 10% discount for Friends

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TALK

Let's Not Talk About Art! a conversation with Shapour Pouyan

Discover how growing up amidst revolution and war influenced the acclaimed contemporary Iranian artist, whose work is featured in *The Moon*.

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

JULY

18

LUNCHTIME TALK

Moon Craters, Exoplanets, and Galactic Revolutions with Bettina Forget

Join the conversation about women's representation in science through two major artworks from artist and art-science historian Bettina Forget.

1 pm
Free with Museum admission

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WORKSHOP

Moon Mission with Bettina Forget

Let lunar maps spark your imagination, then use a range of materials to create a piece that bridges art and science.

11 am–4 pm
\$50, \$45 Friends, \$40 students and seniors

SUMMER CAMPS 2019

HONOURING PETER GEORGE

Spend the summer in a world of discovery!

Our summer camps — Moon Mission, Silk Route Traders, and Bright Lights — are packed with activities for kids ages 6–12. Campers make friends while exploring science, art, and history. Register now at agakhanmuseum.org/2019summercamps

AUGUST

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LUNCHTIME TALK

Qawwali Music in Contemporary Pakistan with Umair Jaffar

Explore the sometimes controversial changes underway in this genre of devotional music.

1 pm
Free with Museum admission

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EXHIBITION

Our Sustainable Future

Enjoy the photography of a group of young Ontario students, documenting their vision for the world of tomorrow.

August 27–September 15, 2019

SUMMER FESTIVALS

Be part of our summer of celebration! See reverse for our festival schedule.

FREE POP-UP PERFORMANCES

Enjoy intimate performances from a diverse lineup of talented local artists in the Museum's public spaces and galleries.

Wednesdays: 5, 6 & 7 pm
Saturdays & Sundays: 12, 1 & 3 pm

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FAMILY PROGRAMMING

Bring the kids and enjoy fun hands-on activities for the whole family!

Family Sundays

Sundays, 12–4 pm
Make art and memories in our Education Centre. Free with Museum admission.

Family Exploration Activities

Pick up a complimentary activity to guide your family on an exploration of the galleries. See Ticket Desk for details.



TEACHERS, BRING YOUR CLASS!

Get in for free with your OCT card and plan your next school trip at the Museum. Customize your class visit, or choose from a roster of school programs for grades K–12. For curriculum links and booking details, visit agakhanmuseum.org/learn or email learn@agakhanmuseum.org.



TOURS

Museum Collection, Special Exhibitions, Architecture, and Aga Khan Park
Daily, various times
\$10 adults, \$5 students and seniors
Museum admission required (excluding Park tours)

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SUMMER STYLE

Discover exquisite jewels and gifts for that special someone or your next important occasion. Find one-of-a-kind pieces from across the globe.

Browse our collection in person or online at shop.agakhanmuseum.org

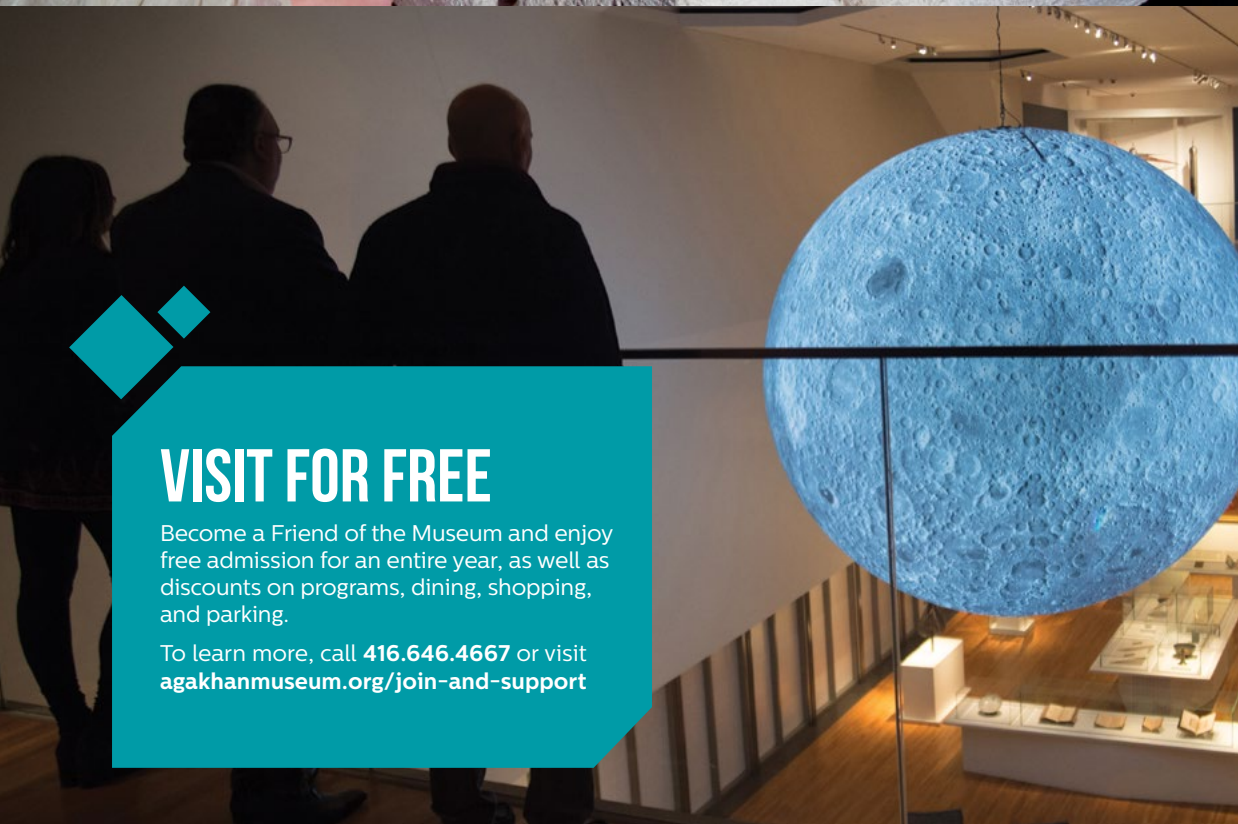


VIBRANT VENUE

For a stunning celebration, host your special event at the Museum and the Aga Khan Park.

Contemporary architecture, beautiful gardens, and five reflecting pools make our venue the elegant choice for weddings, corporate events, and parties of any size.

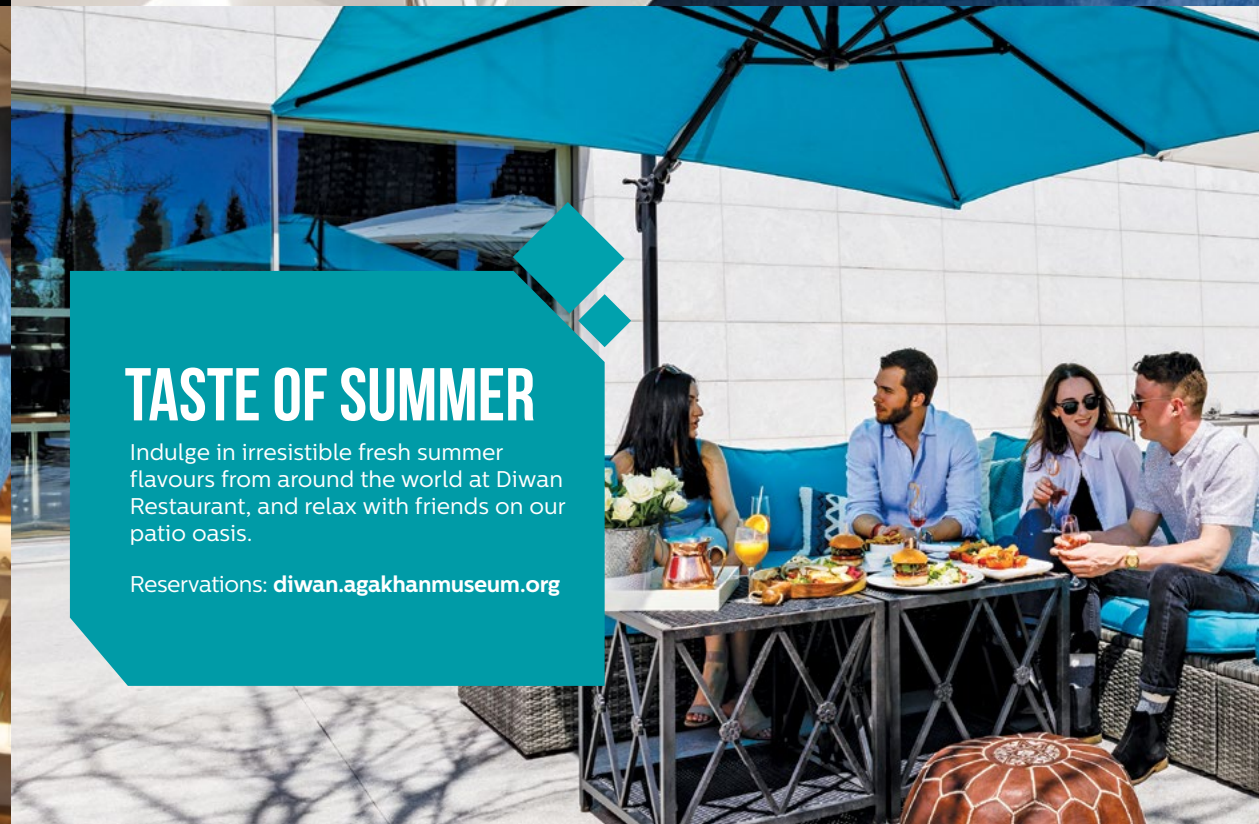
To book our space, contact: private.events@agakhanmuseum.org or 416.646.4671



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Become a Friend of the Museum and enjoy free admission for an entire year, as well as discounts on programs, dining, shopping, and parking.

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



TASTE OF SUMMER

Indulge in irresistible fresh summer flavours from around the world at Diwan Restaurant, and relax with friends on our patio oasis.

Reservations: diwan.agakhanmuseum.org

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ABOUT THE AGA KHAN MUSEUM

The Aga Khan Museum is a centre for innovation and creativity dedicated to connecting cultures through the arts. With exhibitions, performing arts, films, talks, workshops, and more, the Museum showcases the contributions of Islamic civilizations, and serves as a catalyst for intercultural dialogue.



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HOURS

Monday: Closed*

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!

*Open holiday Mondays: Victoria Day (May 20)

Canada Day (July 1)

Civic Holiday (August 5)

Labour Day (September 2)
