

**SUMMER** JUL–SEP 2016

# EXPLORE

**AGA KHAN MUSEUM** PROGRAM GUIDE



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## IT'S PATIO SEASON AT DIWAN!

Diwan's BBQ patio is the place to be this summer. Relax at lunch, or enjoy a post-work cocktail or mocktail with friends. While away the hours in our new lounge seating — and sample a tantalizing array of *mezes*, grilled dishes straight off the BBQ, and summer drinks from our new patio menu.

BBQ patio hours: 11:30 am–6 pm, Thursday to Sunday, and a *mezes*-only menu is served 6–8 pm, Thursday to Saturday. Weather permitting.

Restaurant seating also available for lunch Tuesday to Sunday, 11:30 am–2:30 pm.

Diwan is participating in Summerlicious 2016! Between July 8–24, enjoy a \$28 Prix Fixe Lunch. Details on p. 10.

### HOST A PRIVATE EVENT

Imagine your next private event at the Aga Khan Museum and Aga Khan Park! Exceptional food and spectacular settings provide the perfect ingredients for an unforgettable event this summer. Ask us how we can host your next reception, private dinner, or corporate event.

Please contact [private.events@agakhanmuseum.org](mailto:private.events@agakhanmuseum.org) or 416.646.4671 for details.

## JOIN US IN THE PARK

### Gentle Yoga

Wednesdays, July 6–August 31, 8–9 am

\$45 package; \$8 single session.

Register by June 29 and pay \$40 for all 9 sessions!

Strengthen and pamper yourself during an hour of gentle movement. Certified yoga instructor Arzina Murji leads these rejuvenating sessions. Walk-ups welcome.

### Festival of Flight

Saturday, July 16 and Sunday, July 17, 10 am–6 pm

Be sure to bring the entire family for this festival inspired by flight, flying, the skies, and the heavens. Throughout the weekend, the Aga Khan Park is animated with hands-on activities and music. Create paper planes and kites, and enjoy stories about flight and flying!

A Signature project of the Cultural Hotspot produced in partnership with the City of Toronto.

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## SPECIAL PROGRAMMING

### TOUR

#### Toronto by Nature e-Bike Tours

Make a green escape within the city! We've partnered with Toronto Bicycle Tours, Toronto Botanical Garden, and CF Shops at Don Mills to present a day-long e-Bike tour from downtown. Check for dates and times at [torontobicycletours.com/toronto-by-nature](http://torontobicycletours.com/toronto-by-nature).

### PARVIZ TANAVOLI

#### Contemporary sculpture comes to the Aga Khan Park!

On your next visit, acquaint yourself with works by Vancouver-based artist Parviz Tanavoli. Called "the father of Iranian sculpture," Tanavoli has never before exhibited in Toronto. We welcome the summer installation of three of his sculptures.



# ÁLVARO SIZA

## GATEWAY TO THE ALHAMBRA

Opens July 23, 2016

A breathtaking gateway to Muslim civilizations in Europe, the Alhambra in Granada, Spain is an architectural masterpiece. How can a contemporary architect complement its design, adding a visitors' centre for the millions of people who flock to the site each year? Discover the vision — and artistic challenge — of Portuguese architect Álvaro Siza in this exciting exhibition. *Álvaro Siza: Gateway to the Alhambra* reveals the creative process and artistic genius of one of today's greatest living architects.

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Álvaro Siza has been fascinated with the Alhambra since the 1940s. His award-winning proposal for the Alhambra visitor centre (called *New Gateway* or *Puerta Nueva*) applies the many lessons he has learned from the Alhambra itself, including complex geometry, the use of light and water as primary design elements, and a masterful balance of natural and artificial landscape.

Explore through models and sketches, renderings, large-scale photographs, and video how Siza developed his design for an innovative structure that includes a courtyard, auditorium, and restaurant. Exclusive to the Toronto installation of this exhibition: a selection of ceramic tiles, marble capitals, intricately carved doors, and other original architectural elements from the Alhambra conjure the magnificent detailing of this World Heritage site.

A must-see for those who love architecture and design!

*The exhibition is a joint project of Aedes Architecture Forum, Berlin and the Patronato of the Alhambra and Generalife, Granada, in partnership with the Aga Khan Museum, Toronto.*

**Curator**  
António Choupina (Porto, Portugal)

## SPECIAL PROGRAMMING

### LECTURES

**The Alhambra and Its Gardens:  
Reflections of the Past  
with D. Fairchild Ruggles**

Wednesday, August 10, 6:30–8:30 pm  
\$20, \$18 Friends, \$12 students and seniors

**Sephardic Music and Its Connections  
to Spain and Portugal with Dr. Judith Cohen**

Thursday, August 18, 1–2 pm  
Free with Museum admission

### PERFORMING ARTS

**Focus on Flamenco Series**

Returns this October  
Experience contemporary Flamenco from Spain.  
For the latest updates: [agakhanmuseum.org](http://agakhanmuseum.org).



## SPECIAL PROGRAMMING

# MARVELLOUS CREATURES

## ANIMALS IN ISLAMIC ART

Closing September 11

Catch this magical menagerie before it vanishes!

Complete with dragons and *divs*, Simurghs and human-headed stallions, this family-friendly exhibition presents metalwork, sculpture, jewellery, and more from the 7th to 21st centuries.

Families, look out for creature-inspired programming, including storytellers with **Family Sundays** (every Sunday, 12–4 pm for ages 5–12, free with Museum admission), and special summer camp sessions in July and August.

And don't forget to ask for your free activity kit to discover marvellous creatures on our first floor!

### HIGHLIGHT TOUR

**Marvellous Creatures with Bitu Pourvash**

Tuesday, July 26, 6:30–7:30 pm  
\$20, \$18 Friends,  
\$12 students and seniors

### WEEKEND WORKSHOP

**Paint Your Own Miniature: A Marvellous Creature with Kelley Aitken**

Saturday, July 9 & Sunday, July 10,  
10 am–3 pm (2-day workshop)  
\$75, \$60 Friends, \$50 students and seniors (+ materials fee \$25)

### LECTURE

**A Book on Animals from 9th-century Baghdad with Dr. Jeannie Miller**

Thursday, September 8, 1–2 pm  
Free with Museum admission



Fannah-fi-Allah Sufi Qawwali Party

# PERFORMING ARTS

Live music and dance, film screenings, and pop-up performances are yours to enjoy this summer!

For details about our Bollywood Classics and World Music Series (and more), pick up the latest edition of *On Stage* – or find it online at [agakhanmuseum.org](http://agakhanmuseum.org).

**Umrao Jaan (Muzaffar Ali, 1981, 145 min.)**

Sunday, July 17, 2 pm

Auditorium

Adults \$10, students and seniors \$8, Friends \$9

Discover why Bollywood actress Rekha won accolades for her performance in this classic adaptation of Mirza Hadi Ruswa's 1905 novel!

**Jodhaa Akbar (Ashutosh Gowariker, 2008, 213 min.)**

Saturday, August 13, 9 pm

Aga Khan Park

FREE

The most contemporary of our films returns to the 16th century. Here, Emperor Akbar takes the romantic lead in a spectacular production that includes politics, religion, and love in its vast reach.

**Fannah-fi-Allah Sufi Qawwali Party**

Thursday, August 4, 8 pm

Tickets starting at \$45, 10% off for Friends

Merging heavy rhythmic grooves with passionate vocals, Fannah-fi-Allah Sufi Qawwali Party celebrates Sufi devotional music from the Indian subcontinent.

**Mehmet Polat Trio**

Thursday, August 11, 8 pm

Tickets starting at \$40, 10% off for Friends

Have you heard the *ngoni*, *oud*, and *ney*? Victor Sams (the Dutch Antilles), Mehmet Polat (Turkey), and Pelin Başar (Turkey) cross cultures and traditions.

Bollywood Classics Series  
in partnership with



August 4 performance  
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## COMING THIS SEPTEMBER

Think you know what “classical music” sounds like? Rediscover its many meanings beginning with a concert of North Indian music in partnership with the Raag-Mala Music Society of Toronto.



# LEARNING AT THE AGA KHAN MUSEUM

Our education programs offer worlds of discovery. You'll find something for every age and interest!

## AFTERNOON LECTURES

Free with Museum admission

### Music and Islam

Thursday, July 21, 1–2 pm

How do sound and music inform the lives of Muslims worldwide? Dr. Karim Gillani (University of Alberta) explores answers from spiritual, cultural, and aesthetic perspectives.

### Sephardic Music and Its Connections to Spain and Portugal

Thursday, August 18, 1–2 pm

Discover the roots and development of Sephardic music with ethnomusicologist and traditional singer Dr. Judith Cohen (York University).

### A Book on Animals from 9th-century Baghdad

Thursday, September 8, 1–2 pm

How are animals portrayed in the 9th-century encyclopedia *Kitab al-Hayawan*? Dr. Jeannie Miller (University of Toronto) compares them to the magical beasts roaming our exhibition *Marvellous Creatures: Animals in Islamic Art!*

## AGA KHAN MUSEUM LECTURES

### The Alhambra and Its Gardens: Reflections of the Past

Wednesday, August 10, 6:30–8:30 pm

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

D. Fairchild Ruggles (University of Illinois) reimagines the Alhambra's dramatic evolution from an abandoned site to a place of elegantly ornamented buildings and graceful courtyard gardens.

## WORKSHOPS

### Paint Your Own Miniature: A Marvellous Creature

Saturday, July 9 & Sunday, July 10, 10 am–3 pm

\$75, \$60 Friends, \$50 students and seniors

(+ materials fee \$25)

Join artist Kelley Aitken for a weekend workshop using gouache, a traditional water-based medium.

### Naturally Inspired: Traditions of Mehndi Design

Sunday, August 7, 10 am–3pm

\$50, \$45 Friends, \$40 students and seniors

Are you fascinated by *mehndi* (henna) designs? Create a unique paper-based art piece inspired by the flora of the Aga Khan Park with Fatima Malik as your guide!

# SUMMER CAMP

Give your child a summer of discovery at these summer camps packed with art activities for ages 6–8 and 9–12. Limited space available.

All sessions are 9 am–4 pm daily  
 One-week sessions: \$300, \$270 for Friends  
 Two-week sessions: \$600, \$540 for Friends  
 10% discount for siblings

Extended care available from 4–6 pm for an additional \$60 per week.

To register or learn more, visit [agakhanmuseum.org](http://agakhanmuseum.org).

## SESSION 1: JULY 11–15

### Tales of Wonder

Ages 6–8

Spend the day hearing and weaving tales, and enter a world of heroes and heroines, kings, queens, and dragons!

### Art Treasures

Ages 9–12

Explore treasures of the Museum, learn what it means to slip and score, and find out how a little dragon's blood can be turned into a masterpiece!

## SESSION 2: JULY 18–22

### Pattern Party

Ages 6–8

Join the pattern party! Discover the patterns all around us in art, nature, and sound.

### Music of the Muslim World

Ages 9–12

No musical experience is necessary as you explore and learn to play Indian sitar, Persian *santur*, and other amazing instruments with Dr. Karim Gillani (University of Alberta).

## SESSION 3: JULY 25–29

### Silk Route Adventures

Ages 6–8

From east to west, see how ideas travelled and discover treasures from across the world!

### Dungeons and Dragons: *Shahnameh* Edition

Ages 9–12

Let the Museum's Collection guide your role-playing adventures in a universe inspired by the epic *Shahnameh*.

## SESSION 4: AUGUST 8–19 (2 WEEKS!)

### Storytime Theatre: *1001 Nights*

Ages 6–8

Dive into dramatic storytelling, make your own costumes and sets, and present an epic story on the Aga Khan Museum stage. This session is facilitated by Young People's Theatre!



### Marvellous Manuscripts

Ages 9–12

Write your own epic adventure, then preserve your tale in a marvellous manuscript fit for a museum!



## DINE

Between July 8–24, our **Summerlicious** menu takes you on a culinary journey from Turkey to India, the Middle East to North Africa. Smoked eggplant, sumac-dusted salmon, and aloo gobi are just three of the tantalizing dishes that can be enjoyed on the patio or in our elegant dining room.

Visit [agakhanmuseum.org](http://agakhanmuseum.org) for a full menu. Reserve your table early to avoid disappointment: [opentable.com](http://opentable.com).



## HOURS AND TICKETS

**Monday:** Closed  
(except holiday Mondays)  
**Tuesday:** 10 am–6 pm  
**Wednesday:** 10 am–8 pm  
**Thursday–Sunday:** 10 am–6 pm

**HOLIDAY HOURS**  
**Canada Day:** July 1, 10 am–6 pm  
**Civic Holiday:** August 1, 10 am–6 pm  
**Labour Day:** September 5, 10 am–6 pm

**GENERAL ADMISSION**  
**Friends:** Free  
**Adults:** \$20  
**Seniors (65+):** \$15  
**Students:\*** \$12  
**Children & Youth (6–13):** \$10  
**Children (under 6):** Free  
**Family Package:\*** \$50

\*For more information, please visit [agakhanmuseum.org](http://agakhanmuseum.org).

## HOW TO GET HERE

The Aga Khan Museum is located at 77 Wynford Drive, close to Don Mills Road and Eglinton Avenue East in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Please visit [agakhanmuseum.org](http://agakhanmuseum.org) for directions, parking information, and TTC routes.

## TOURS

**Offered Tuesday to Sunday.**  
Adults admission plus \$10, students and seniors admission plus \$5.  
**Gallery Tour:**  
11 am and 3 pm, with extra 6:30 pm tour on Wednesdays.

**Architecture Tour:**  
12:30 pm  
**Special Exhibitions Tour:**  
1:30 pm

**Aga Khan Park Tour:**  
10:30 am and 4 pm on Saturdays and Sundays; 4 pm only Tuesday to Friday (weather permitting).  
Adults \$10, students and seniors \$5. Museum admission not required.

**GROUP TOURS**  
Interested in booking a tour for 10 or more people? Please call Group Reservations at 416.646.4678 to discuss special group rates and options for your visit.

**FREE WEDNESDAYS!**  
Museum admission is free every Wednesday from 4–8 pm. Join us!

## ACCESSIBILITY

The Aga Khan Museum is wheelchair-accessible. Drop-offs at the street-level entrance can be made prior to parking.

A limited number of wheelchairs are available on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information about accessibility, please call 416.646.4677 ext. 7700.

## CONTACT US

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416.646.4677 ext. 7726

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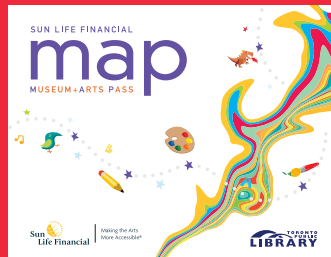
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and receive the latest news about our events and exhibitions!

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Page 6: Detail of "Rustam Fighting Puladvand and His Army of *Divs* (Demons)" from a manuscript of *Shahnameh* (Book of Kings) by Firdausi (d. 1020), paintings attributed to

Mu'in Musavvir (d. 1697), Isfahan, Iran, 1657  
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Page 7: "Fannah-fi-Allah Sufi Qawwali Party" by Marc Abba.