

BATA
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MUSEUM

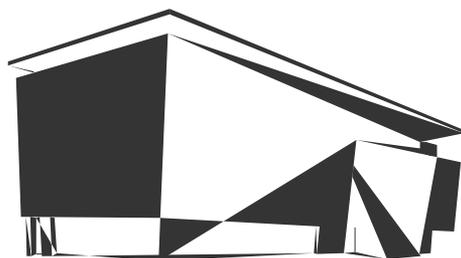
**WHAT'S ON
AT THE BSM**

MAY-DECEMBER 2018



327 BLOOR STREET WEST, TORONTO

FOR EVERY SHOE THERE'S A STORY.



***DISCOVER THOUSANDS AT
THE BATA SHOE MUSEUM.***

ABOUT THE BSM

The [Bata Shoe Museum](#) is the legacy of a determined and passionate collector with a keen eye for footwear. [Sonja Bata](#) searched the globe for unusual shoes for decades, resulting in a spectacularly diverse collection found nowhere else in the world.

The [shoebox-shaped building](#) designed by world renowned architect Raymond Moriyama and located in the heart of downtown Toronto, welcomes you with its distinctive contemporary architecture, spacious and light-filled.

Three changing [exhibitions](#) and one semi-permanent exhibition mean there is always something new to explore, while lectures, performances, special events and family programs enhance your experience and visit.

Stepping into one of the museum's enchanting galleries is like entering another world, one where the [craftsmanship and creativity](#) of the footwear is complemented and put into context by specially created environments.

The objects in the museum span [thousands of years](#), six continents and many walks of life. Footwear is presented as a key to understanding cultures. Revealing attitudes to childhood, marriage, work, leisure, beliefs, social life and so much more, a visit to the museum will enhance your appreciation of human ingenuity and captivate your imagination.



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Thursday Evenings at the BSM are PayWhatYouCan, made possible with generous support from Bruce Etherington & Associates.

All donations will go to support the museum's [Step-Ahead program](#) which offers free curriculum-based field trips to students in at-risk communities.

SUPPORT US

JOIN NOW! BECOME A FRIEND OF THE BSM TODAY

The BSM gives you and your family the opportunity to explore the culture and customs of people from around the world through a series of original and changing exhibitions. Friends of the BSM enjoy a [year of free admission](#), as well as discounts to events and programs. [Join today!](#) batashoemuseum.ca/support

DONATE NOW AND SUPPORT THE BSM's MISSION

Please consider supporting the Bata Shoe Museum this year by [making a charitable gift](#). Visit the Support Us section of the museum's website for more information or to make a donation.

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VOLUNTEER WITH US!

[Join our community](#) by volunteering at the BSM! Our volunteers play an integral role in advancing the mission of the BSM by working alongside staff members to provide high-quality programs and services that enrich the experience of the museum's visitors. Visit our website to learn how you can join our team of volunteers at batashoemuseum.ca/volunteering.

NOW ON VIEW

SPECIAL TEMPORARY EXHIBITION

Manolo Blahnik: The Art of Shoes

May 16, 2018 - January 6, 2019

The Bata Shoe Museum is excited to present the highly anticipated travelling exhibition [Manolo Blahnik: The Art of Shoes](#), a stunning retrospective by one of the world's most influential figures within the fashion industry. For over 45 years, Blahnik's inventiveness and superb artisanship has [crossed boundaries between fashion and art](#), inspiring elegance and perfection. The underlying theme of the exhibition - that shoes are art - aligns perfectly with Blahnik's own approach to creating footwear. The BSM is excited to be the final and only North American venue to showcase this travelling exhibition.

ALSO ON VIEW



All About Shoes: Footwear Through the Ages

Semi-permanent exhibition

Take a fascinating journey and experience the [many facets of footwear](#) - its evolution and symbolism through the ages, the methods and materials of its manufacture and its place in our lives and imaginations. Finishing off the display is [Behind the Scenes](#), an area which highlights museum artefacts from the Collection and reveals how we collect and store them.

Art & Innovation: Traditional Arctic Footwear from the Bata Shoe Museum Collection

Now on view

The Arctic landscape is home to over forty distinct cultural groups who have thrived for centuries by creating beautiful and diverse solutions that embrace the unique opportunities provided by the Arctic as well as meet its many challenges. In particular, the footwear and clothing created by Arctic women attests to this [history of innovation](#). Drawing from the BSM's holdings see inspiring footwear, garments and tools, which highlight the artistry and ingenuity of the makers, different cultural identities, crafting techniques and spiritual meaning.

The Gold Standard: Glittering Footwear From Around the Globe

Now on view

The [gleam of gold](#) has seduced people around the world. Treasured for its incorruptibility and remarkable shine, gold has been used ornamentally since time immemorial and as currency since at least the Bronze Age. But gold for shoes? Seems improbable. Yet [golden footwear](#) has been central to expressions of status and style in numerous cultures. This exhibition features some of the Bata Shoe Museum's most impressive and precious artefacts and explores the meanings and cultural uses of golden footwear across the globe.

UNIQUE EXPERIENCES

The BSM is on the Move

Join a BSM educator as they visit branches of the [Toronto Public Library](#) and give participants the opportunity to touch and examine museum objects up close while hearing the fascinating stories behind the shoes. Children also get to make a shoe-themed craft to take home! This free event is perfect for children 3-12 years and their families.

Visit our website for dates and times



Calling All Book Clubs!

If your established book club is looking for a new experience, consider holding one of your meetings at the Bata Shoe Museum. Your group will also receive a guided tour about the time period or themes that are relevant to your book. For suggested titles, or to book a visit, visit our website batashoemuseum.ca/bookclub.

In Our Window: In Full Bloom



The Bata Shoe Museum's ongoing collaboration with Ryerson University continues with a window installation which celebrates Canada from coast to coast. Created by students from the Architectural Science Department, the window installation [In Full Bloom](#) showcases Canada's identity and culture by using 3D printed shoes to recreate our country's provincial and territorial flowers.

Virtual Community

Visit the the Bata Shoe Museum's social media platforms to access the museum's exhibitions, artefacts and collection in ways you never could before! Find us online @batashoemuseum.



WHAT'S ON

The BSM strives to showcase fresh, engaging and educational programming. For more details or to purchase tickets for events visit batashoemuseum.ca/events or call 416-979-7799 x 445.

For more detailed information on our **Exclusively Manolo** programming series, inspired by the current exhibition *Manolo Blahnik: The Art of Shoes*, visit batashoemuseum.ca/exclusivelymanolo.



ONGOING:



Weekend Family Fun

Every Saturday and Sunday | Drop-in until 4 pm

When you visit the BSM on the weekend with your little one there is always a drop-in shoe-themed arts and crafts activity available, as well as funky shoes to try on and I-Spy games to play in the gallery! Perfect

for kids ages 3-12. Available every weekend unless preempted by other programming.

Included with museum admission | Free for Friends of the BSM

Mom and Baby Stroller Tours

Last Tuesday of every month* | 11 am

We know it can be tricky to find things to do with a little one! So come and join a group of other moms and babies for a docent-led tour of the BSM.

\$14 | Includes general museum admission | Free for Friends of the BSM | *No tour in December

Public Tours and Hands On Demos

Various dates and times

Join knowledgeable museum docents as they provide you with first hand information about one of Toronto's most unique and surprising destinations! Visit our website for upcoming dates and times.

Included with museum admission | Free for Friends of the BSM

Manitobah Mukluks Storyboot School

The Bata Shoe Museum is excited to continue to host Manitobah Mukluks Storyboot School moccasin and mukluk-making workshops as part of an ongoing partnership. These workshops are open to anyone interested in learning how to make beaded Indigenous footwear from start to finish. In partnership with Manitobah Mukluks and the Treadright Foundation.

- Moccasins:** Sunday, **September 9** - Sunday **October 21**
1-4 pm (no class October 7)
Saturday, **October 13** - Saturday **November 17**
1-4 pm (no class October 6)
Sunday, **October 28** - Sunday **December 9**
1-4 pm (no class November 4)
- Mukluks:** Thursday, **October 4** - Thursday **November 22**
6-9 pm

Moccasin Making - \$160 | Mukluk Making - \$200

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PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:



Exclusively Manolo: Celebrating Manolo In Conversation with Manolo Blahnik

Wednesday, May 16 | 6 pm

The BSM is thrilled to welcome one of the world's most influential figures within the fashion industry to the museum to discuss the retrospective,

Manolo Blahnik: The Art of Shoes. Join us as Mr. Blahnik shares his thoughts on what truly inspires him, his views on the fashion industry today and the travelling exhibition.

VIP \$150 | \$50 | \$35 for Friends of the BSM



Exclusively Manolo: Creative Pursuits Shoe Design Workshop Jennifer Allison

Sunday, May 20 | 12:30-4 pm

Be inspired by a guided tour of *Manolo Blahnik: The Art of Shoes*. Then join Jennifer Allison of Toronto's Art and Sole Academy as she leads

you through a variety of creative exercises to help put your own shoe design concepts onto paper. Visit artandsoleacademy.com to purchase tickets.

\$125 | Register at artandsoleacademy.com

Exclusively Manolo: Guest Guides

Randi Bergman

Tuesday, May 22 | 6 pm

The BSM presents a series of tours of *Manolo Blahnik: The Art of Shoes* led by individuals connected to various aspects of the fashion industry. Each 'guest guide' will lead participants on a tour inspired by their background and experience of the exhibition. This installment features Randi Bergman, writer, editor and host of the podcast *Capsule '98*.

\$30 | \$15 for Friends of the BSM | Includes post-tour reception



Doors Open Toronto

Saturday, May 26 and Sunday, May 27

The Bata Shoe Museum is pleased to be part of Doors Open Toronto presented by Great Gulf which offers residents and visitors an opportunity to take a peek behind the doors of more than 100 architecturally,

historically, culturally and socially significant buildings across the city. Join us for free admission all weekend!

Celebrating National Indigenous History Month

Sunday, June 3 | 1-3 pm

Every June, Canadians are invited to celebrate the contributions of Indigenous people in Canada by taking part in National Indigenous History Month. To kick off the month, join us at the BSM for performances by the Smoke Trail Singers, Indigenous dance demonstrations, craft activities and more, celebrating the the rich history and culture of Indigenous peoples in Canada.

Included with museum admission | Free for Friends of the BSM



Exclusively Manolo: Guest Guides

Jane Hanrahan and Vanessa Mulrone

Monday, June 4 | 6 pm

The BSM presents a series of tours of *Manolo Blahnik: The Art of Shoes* led by individuals connected to various aspects of the fashion industry.

Each 'guest guide' will lead participants on a tour inspired by their background and experience of the exhibition. This installment features Jane Hanrahan and Vanessa Mulrone, the co-founders of Toronto consulting company, Power of Privé.

\$30 | \$15 for Friends of the BSM | Includes post tour reception

Summer Family Fun

Friday, June 29 - Monday, September 3 | Drop-in until 4 pm

There's lots to do all summer long at the BSM! Kids receive an activity bag full of goodies, including a shoe-related craft, ISpy games for our galleries and a colourful tattoo. Complete your visit with some funky try-on footwear! Perfect for kids ages 3-12.

Included with museum admission | Free for Friends of the BSM

Special Film Screening: Rock Rubber 45s

Friday, June 29 | 8:30 pm

The BSM is excited to co-present with Hot Docs Ted Rogera's Cinema the documentary *Rock Rubber 45s*, a basketball, sneaker, and music cinematic odyssey experienced firsthand by authentic NYC culture orchestrator Bobbito García. Following the screening, a Q&A session with the filmmaker will be moderated by Will Strickland. In celebration of the film, a special display of Bobbito Garcia's sneaker collection will be on view at the BSM through the summer. Please note - the screening takes place at the Hot Docs Ted Rogers Cinema.

\$17 | Purchase tickets at hotdocs.ca | Brought to you in partnership with The Broadview Hotel

Exclusively Manolo: Guest Guides

Jennifer Wallace

Wednesday, July 11 | 6 pm

The BSM presents a series of tours of *Manolo Blahnik: The Art of Shoes* led by individuals connected to various aspects of the fashion industry. Each 'guest guide' will lead participants on a tour inspired by their background and experience of the exhibition. This installment features Jennifer Wallace, Head Buyer, Holt Renfrew, Designer Footwear.

\$30 | \$15 for Friends of the BSM | Includes a post-tour reception

Workshop Indigenous Brick Beaded Earrings

Saturday, September 8, 15 and 22 | 1-4 pm

Join Anishinaabekwe beading artist Stephanie Pangowish for a three-part workshop as she guides you through the steps to make your own beautiful earrings using the Indigenous technique of brick beading.

\$75



Exclusively Manolo: Fashion Talks Copycats: Faking Footwear

Tuesday, September 18 | 6 pm

Manolo Blahnik's shoes are always highly coveted and but they are also the most imitated. Join Anjali Patel, a Toronto-based fashion

lawyer, trademark agent and founder of Blue Chip Fashion, for this illustrated talk on copyrights and knock-offs in the world of fashion and footwear.

\$20 | \$10 for Friends of the BSM

Exclusively Manolo: Creative Pursuits Army of Sass

Monday, September 24 | Gallery opens at 6 pm | Class begins at 7 pm

ARMY of SASS is a training and performance program designed to build confidence and gain physical strength while developing sassy dance skills in heels. All are welcome to join us for a special class, held on location at the Bata Shoe Museum!

\$20 | Learn more at armyofsass.com/toronto

Nuit Blanche

Saturday, September 29 | 7 pm - 7 am

Join us at the BSM for this exciting all night, free, contemporary art event and see talented artists transform our indoor and outdoor spaces. Details on the installations will be available in September on our website.

Culture Days

Sunday, September 30 | 3 pm

Culture Days is an annual event which invites everyone to explore, discover and participate in arts and cultural activities across the country. Join us as we welcome violinist Clara Lee for a 3pm performance in our St. Crispin's studio.

Included with museum admission | Free for Friends of the BSM



Exclusively Manolo: Reel Fashion

God Save My Shoes

Thursday, October 4 | 7 pm

God Save My Shoes explores the intimate relationship between women and shoes, questioning why shoes are the most addictive item in a woman's

closet. Featuring commentary by Manolo Blahnik.

Included with [PayWhatYouCan Thursday](#) | Free for Friends of the BSM

Exclusively Manolo: Guest Guides

Roslyn Griffith Hall

Tuesday, October 9 | 6 pm

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\$30 | \$15 for Friends of the BSM | Includes a post-tour reception



Exclusively Manolo: Creative Pursuits

Sketching in the Galleries

Friday, October 12 | 5:30 pm

Participants of any skill level are invited to spend a quiet hour in the museum after we close to the general public and be inspired by our exhibitions, including *Manolo Blahnik: The Art of*

Shoes. Supplies not provided, dry mediums only please.

\$5 | Free for Friends of the BSM

Exclusively Manolo: Fashion Talks

Stroke of Genius: Manolo Blahnik and the High Heel

Tuesday, October 16 | 6 pm

Manolo Blahnik's place in the history of footwear is undeniable but how did his shoes become such coveted items of fashion? Join BSM Senior Curator Elizabeth Semmelhack as she explores the work of Mr. Blahnik with a focus on his dedication to the high heel beginning with his revival of the stiletto in *Wedding Shoes* in the Geor the 1970s to his current highly sought after creations. She will also consider how and why his shoes have stoked desire for decades.

\$20 | \$10 for Friends of the BSM



Wedding Shoes in the Georgian Era

Sunday, October 21 | 2 pm

In the eighteenth-century, as today, weddings were an occasion to look one's best. The BSM welcomes historian Kimberly S. Alexander as she presents an illustrated talk which looks at a host of wedding shoes from the

Georgian era which emphasize the highly personal choices made by the betrothed and their intentional self-fashioning.

\$20 | \$10 for Friends of the BSM

Halloween Spooktacular

Saturday, October 27 and Sunday, October 28 | Drop-in until 4 pm

Say boo at the BSM this October and join us for a spooktacular weekend of family fun. Decorate a Halloween-inspired cookie, make a special craft and play I Spy in the galleries. Kids in costume get in free! Perfect for kids ages 3-12.

Included with museum admission | Free for Friends of the BSM

Warm the Sole Sock Drive

November 1 to 30

The BSM's annual sock drive returns! Did you know that socks are the most needed and least donated item of clothing? During the month of November please consider bringing a donation of pair of new, unworn socks when you visit the museum. If you make a donation on a weekend, you can visit the museum for free!

Shoe Origami Workshop

Sunday, November 4 | 1-3 pm

In celebration of World Origami Day the BSM invites you to try your hand at making an origami shoe! Appropriate for all ages and skill levels.

Included with museum admission | Free for Friends of the BSM

Exclusively Manolo: Creative Pursuits

Shoe Design Workshop Jennifer Allison

Sunday, November 4 | 12:30-4 pm

Be inspired by a guided tour of *Manolo Blahnik: The Art of Shoes*. Then join Jennifer Allison of Toronto's Art and Sole Academy as she leads you through a variety of creative exercises to help put your own shoe design concepts onto paper. Visit artandsoleacademy.com to purchase tickets.

\$125 | Register at artandsoleacademy.com

Exclusively Manolo: Reel Fashion

Love, Cecil

Thursday, November 15 | 7 pm

Lisa Immordino Vreeland directs this documentary about Academy Award-winning costume designer Cecil Beaton. The designer is remembered by many who worked with him, including Manolo Blahnik. The BSM is excited to welcome Ms. Vreeland to the museum for a Q&A following the film screening.

\$15 | Free for Friends of the BSM



Exclusively Manolo: Celebrating Manolo Birthday Tour and Toast

Tuesday, November 27 | 6 pm

The man behind the shoes celebrates his birthday on November 27 so come and help us celebrate with a tour and a toast!

Enjoy a guided tour of the exhibition *Manolo Blahnik: The Art of Shoes* with BSM Senior Curator Elizabeth Semmelhack and then join us as we raise a glass of bubbly in celebration of Mr. Blahnik's birthday.

\$30 | \$15 for Friends of the BSM

Exclusively Manolo: Reel Fashion

Sex And The City

Thursday, December 6 | 7 pm

This big-screen continuation of the TV hit series which made Manolo Blahnik a household name, follows the lives of Carrie, Miranda, Samantha and Charlotte against the backdrop of New York City.

Included with **PayWhatYouCan Thursday** | Free for Friends of the BSM

Holiday Crafts at the BSM

Saturday, December 15 and Sunday, December 16 | Drop-in until 4 pm

Come celebrate the holiday season at the BSM with some shoe-inspired holiday fun! Kids can decorate a cookie, make a special craft, play ISpy in the galleries and try on some funky shoes; a great opportunity for a holiday family photo! Perfect for kids ages 3-12.

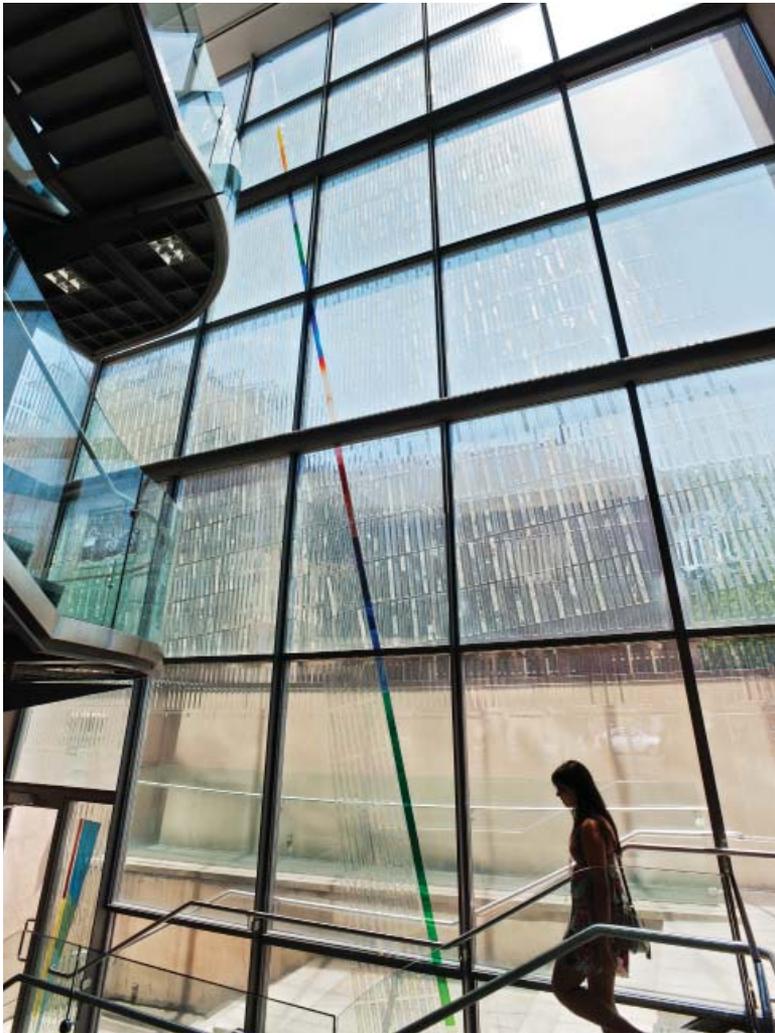
Included with museum admission | Free for Friends of the BSM

Winter Break Fun at the BSM

Saturday, December 22 - Sunday, January 6 | Drop-in until 4 pm

Wondering what to do with the kids during the winter break? Bring them down to the coolest shoebox in town where they can enjoy an afternoon of shoe-inspired fun! Kids will receive an activity bag which included an arts and crafts activity, I Spy cards and a colourful tattoo. Perfect for kids ages 3-12.

Included with museum admission | Free for Friends of the BSM



PLAN YOUR VISIT

VISITING HOURS AND HOLIDAYS

Monday to Saturday **10 am – 5 pm**

Thursday **10 am – 8 pm**

Sunday **12 pm – 5 pm**

The BSM is open 363 days a year: closed only on Christmas Day and Good Friday.

GENERAL ADMISSION*

Tax included

Friends of the BSM **FREE**

Adults **\$14**

Seniors (65+) **\$12**

Students (with ID) **\$8**

Children (5 – 17) **\$5**

Children under 5 **free**

Family Pass 1 **\$24**
(1 adult and up to 4 children under 18)

Family Pass 2 **\$35**
(2 adults and up to 4 children under 18)

Different prices during March Break.

Special activities may be separately priced.

*Admission Pricing subject to change.

Pay**W**hat**Y**ou**C**an every Thursday evening between 5-8 pm.

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Friends of the BSM Program **416.979.7799 x250**
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ACCESSIBILITY

The Bata Shoe Museum is an accessible facility. A wheelchair is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information, please call 416.979.7799.

Support Persons/Service Animals

A support person accompanying a visitor with disabilities will be admitted to the museum free of charge. A service animal may also accompany a visitor to all public areas of the museum.

For more information, please call 416.979.7799.

DIRECTIONS

The Bata Shoe Museum is located at **327 Bloor Street West** in the heart of downtown Toronto.

By Subway

From St. George subway station, walk to the southwest corner of Bloor Street West and St. George.

Parking Possibilities

9 Bedford Road
(north of Bloor Street, east of St. George)

465 Huron Street
(north of Bloor Street, west of St. George)

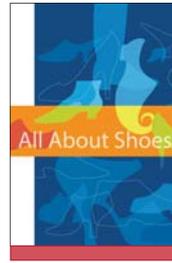
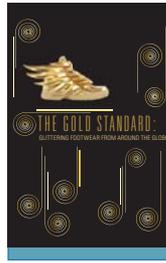
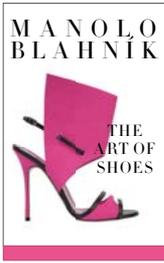


THE MUSEUM SHOP

Visit the Museum Shop and discover a sensational array of items inspired by our collection. Sleek, modern and elegant, a visit through our shop completes your museum experience at one of Toronto's most extraordinary cultural institutions. Take a moment to peruse our extensive selection of books on shoemaking and design along with our exhibition catalogues. With new items arriving daily, purchase a unique item for every shoe lover in your life. Or, pick up something for yourself!



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Exhibition:

Manolo Blahnik: The Art of Shoes

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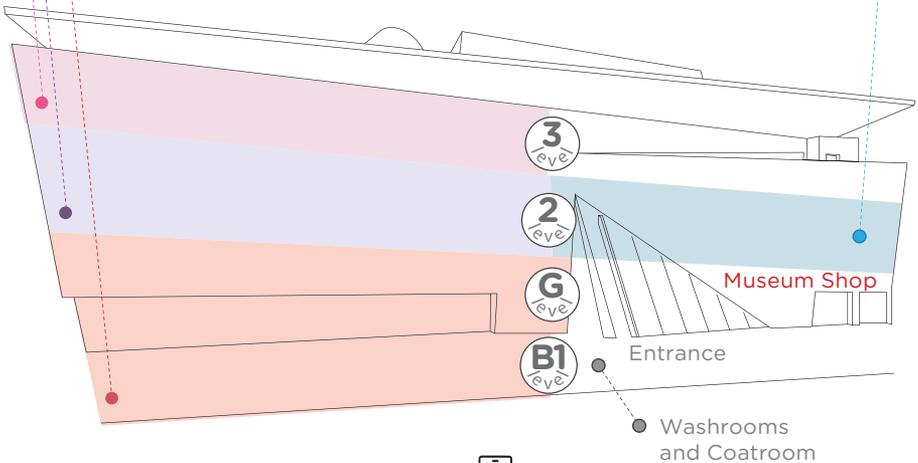
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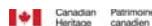
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