

THE HOUSE OF DIOR: SEVENTY YEARS OF HAUTE COUTURE

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GROUND LEVEL

In celebration of the seventieth anniversary of the House of Dior, one of the world's most prestigious couture houses, the National Gallery of Victoria presents *The House of Dior: Seventy Years of Haute Couture*.

Exclusive to Melbourne, this exhibition is a collaboration between the NGV and the House of Dior, and features a sumptuous display of more than 140 garments designed by Christian Dior Couture between 1947 and 2017.

The exhibition narrates the rich history of the fashion house, exploring Christian Dior's early influences and the design codes synonymous with Dior, as well as the milestones of the six successive designers who have shaped Dior's renowned fashionable silhouette: Yves Saint Laurent, Marc Bohan, Gianfranco Ferré, John Galliano, Raf Simons and Maria Grazia Chiuri

Discover some of the most significant couture designs of the 20th and 21st centuries including examples from Christian Dior's iconic spring 1947 New Look collection, magnificent displays of Dior's signature ball gowns and evening dresses, as well as designs from the inaugural couture collection of the House's first female head designer, Maria Grazia Chiuri.

Dior's unique and longstanding affinity with Australia is also examined, including the historic *Spring 1948* fashion parade at David Jones, Sydney, where models wore fifty original creations by Christian Dior. This was the first complete Dior collection to be shown outside of Paris.

The House of Dior: Seventy Years of Haute Couture is accompanied by a scholarly publication, a dynamic program of talks, tours and events and the curated NGV Friday Nights program featuring live music, food and performances.

Organised by the National Gallery of Victoria and Christian Dior Couture.

INTRODUCTORY PROGRAM

PLEASE ALLOW TIME FOR A SELF-GUIDED EXHIBITION VIEWING FOLLOWING THESE PROGRAMS.

ALL PROGRAMS ARE TAILORED TO THE LEVEL OF PARTICIPATING STUDENTS.

EXPLORE THE WORLD OF DIOR

Discover the glamorous designs of Christian Dior and how he pioneered a revolutionary new era of fashion and femininity post World War II. This presentation introduces key themes and works in the exhibition to provide students with starting points to explore the exhibition and the contribution the House of Dior has made to the world of fashion.

Recommended Level Years 5 –12
Cost \$14 per student (45min)

VCE STUDIO ARTS – ART INDUSTRY CONTEXTS

This program includes an introduction to the exhibition and behind-the-scenes insights into methods and considerations involved in the preparation, presentation and conservation of the artworks in *The House of Dior: Seventy Years of Haute Couture*.

Recommended Level Years 11 –12
Cost \$14 per student (55min)

EXTENDED PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS

DESIGNING DIOR

Inspired by the *The House of Dior: Seventy Years of Haute Couture* students will create their own designs, experimenting with a range of techniques and drawing materials. This program includes an introductory talk and self-guided exhibition viewing.

Recommended Level Years 9 –12
Cost \$24 per student (full day program)

VIRTUAL EXCURSIONS

DIOR COMES TO YOUR SCHOOL

A video conference introduction to *The House of Dior: Seventy Years of Haute Couture*. This interactive, illustrated introductory talk with an NGV Educator will explore key works and themes in the exhibition.

Recommended Level Years 5 –12
Cost \$110 (45min)

PERISCOPE PREVIEWS

Enjoy *The House of Dior: Seventy Years of Haute Couture*. Before we are open to the public, between 9–10am, bring your students behind closed doors virtually through a live video broadcast from the exhibition at the National Gallery of Victoria direct to your classroom. In this free program, designed to be fast, free-form and fun, NGV Educators will walk through the exhibition, discuss key works and answer student questions.

*Periscope is a live video broadcasting app from Twitter

Contact our bookings office for details.

Recommended Level Years 5 –12
Cost FREE (15min)

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING FOR TEACHERS

AN EVENING WITH DIOR

Fri 15 September, 6–9.30pm

Join colleagues for refreshments and an introduction to *The House of Dior: Seventy Years of Haute Couture* then enjoy the atmosphere of NGV Friday Nights.

Cost \$40 Teachers and Preservice teachers; \$55 Adults

SELF-GUIDED VISITS

Pre-book your self-guided visit and receive a complimentary ticket for a teacher. Bookings essential

Cost \$10

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Christian Dior, Paris (fashion house);
Christian Dior (designer)
Bar, afternoon ensemble (detail)
spring–summer 1947 collection,
modelled by Renée 1955
Dior Heritage collection, Paris

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