

HOLIDAY
SEASON
PROGRAMMING



FREE
12 AND
UNDER

SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 17
TO SUNDAY,
JANUARY 6



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From November 13, 2018, to January 6, 2019, the McCord Museum invites visitors of all ages, from 0 to 99, to enjoy its special winter programming! Steeped in Montreal holiday traditions, it will remind adults of their fondest childhood memories and introduce little ones to fantastic worlds. The wide range of activities on offer will entertain the entire family and create magic moments of wonder and discovery. Exhibitions, storytelling, a treasure hunt and hands-on workshops are just some of the reasons to grab your coat and boots for a family adventure!

Admission to the Museum is free for children ages 12 and under.

EXHIBITIONS AND INSTALLATIONS

SHADOWS WITHOUT BORDERS [\(photos\)](#)

November 13 to January 6

Created by Montreal artist duo Mere Phantoms, the interactive installation *Shadows Without Borders* asks visitors to reflect on exile, what defines our identity, and the strength of our connection to that irreplaceable place called «home.»

As you travel through this shadow world with flashlights, discover pieces created during workshops in refugee communities in Greece and Turkey alongside work made by the artists. Playing with shadow and light, you are invited to highlight an object, a moment or a place, or cast them into darkness. Although it started with an initial shadow installation, the work will evolve throughout its run as newcomers to Canada are invited to create and contribute their own paper cutouts inspired by the experiences that brought them to Montreal and the future they imagine in this new land that they could one day call «home.»

[More information](#)

Recommended for adults with children ages 2 and older

ENCHANTED WORLDS [\(photos\)](#)

Relive the magic of Ogilvy's mechanical holiday window displays at the McCord Museum!

November 13 to January 6

Victoria Street and Level 2

Come view the *Enchanted Worlds* and receive an entertaining «seek and find» for free!

***The Mill in the Forest* – Presented by IÖGO nanö**

Every holiday season since 1947, the mechanical window displays of the Ogilvy store on St. Catherine Street West have transported young and old to a magic world of the imagination. Custom-designed by German toymaker Steiff, the two displays entitled *The Enchanted Village* and *The Mill in the Forest* depict a German-style forest scene featuring stuffed animals hand-made by the company. Similar to the creations of other major department stores like Macy's in New York City and the Galeries Lafayette in Paris, these displays are among the last of their kind in North America. In March 2018, Holt Renfrew donated them to the McCord Museum with the goal of preserving the displays and continuing this iconic Montreal tradition.

Thanks to the support of IÖGO nanö, the McCord Museum is bringing back the magic and wonder of yesteryear by displaying the mechanical holiday window *The Mill in the Forest* outside the museum.

The Enchanted Village

The Enchanted Village, the second window, is being presented inside the McCord Museum on Level 2. Come view this beautiful vintage display and receive an entertaining «seek and find» game along with a backpack containing everything you need for The Adventure at the Museum!

Recommended for adults with children ages 1 and older



TREASURES IN THE ATTIC ([photos](#))**December 16 to March 17**

As you visit the attic belonging to the grandparents of twins William and Sara, discover a collection of toys dating from 1890 to the present day. Filled with forgotten treasures, the attic has become a repository for the memories of all the families who have lived in the house. Containing a rich and fascinating world where childhood is frozen in time, piles of boxes have become the final resting place for G. I. Joe, Barbie, Mr. Potato Head, rocking horses, toboggans, stuffed animals, board games, old dolls, toy soldiers, furniture, books and photographs.

[More information](#)**Recommended for adults with children ages 3 to 9****ACTIVITIES**

Unless otherwise indicated, these activities are free. Schedule subject to change. See musee-mc-cord.qc.ca.

THE ADVENTURE AT THE MUSEUM – Presented by Hydro-Quebec ([photos](#))**Ongoing**

Discover the Museum, en famille, as you explore a place devoted to art, history and discovery... Children participating in The Adventure at the Museum will receive a free backpack* loaded with materials for discovering fascinating objects—a wonderful souvenir of their visit! The Adventure at the Museum is an enjoyable, educational activity that enables families to explore the entire Museum as they look for marvellous treasures exhibited in its halls.

NEW: With the help of a discovery guide and a series of collectible exploration cards, adventurers are promised a memorable visit.

*Quantities limited.

Recommended for adults with children ages 2 to 9**STORY HOUR** ([photos](#))**Enchanted Worlds****Every day, November 13 to December 14, 3:30 p.m. (English) and 11:00 a.m. (French)****Level 2**

Mister Hedgehog, Madam Monkey, the ducklings and the piglets are all hard at work in the Enchanted Village. The movements of these amazing mechanical animals will delight young and old! Children of all ages can use their imaginations as they listen to legends and tales about the objects on display.

Recommended for adults with children ages 2 to 9**Treasures in the Attic****Every day, December 16 to March 17, 3:30 p.m. (English) and 11:00 a.m. (French)**

Open the door to the magical world of fairy tales as you visit the Treasures in the Attic exhibition and explore the fantastic toys there! Parents and children will enjoy a shared experience of wonder as they listen to stories enlivened by sounds, songs and movements.

Recommended for adults with children ages 2 to 9**CHOIRS AND HOLIDAY TUNES****Saturdays, November 17 and 24, December 1, 8 and 15, 11:00-11:30 a.m.****Victoria Street**

Discover The Mill in the Forest, presented by iÖGO nanö outside the Museum on Victoria Street, as you listen to adult and children's choirs. Enjoy the sound of holiday songs as you relive the magic of the Ogilvy mechanical window displays at the McCord Museum!

All ages

STOP-MOTION CARTOON WORKSHOP

Sundays, November 18 to December 9, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Every day, December 22 to January 6, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

As part of the Treasures in the Attic exhibition, children are invited to take part in a stop-motion cartoon workshop. With the help of a theatre set and pieces of toys that can be put together, young and old can indulge their imaginations as they learn the art of stop-motion animation.

Recommended for adults with children ages 3 to 9

CREATIVE WORKSHOP, WORKS IN PAPER

Sundays, November 18 to January 6, 11 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Parent-child workshops offer young and old a chance to explore, create and marvel. As part of the installation Shadows Without Borders by artist duo Mere Phantoms, children are invited to create paper cutouts using a technique inspired by shadow play. This activity introduces young artists to the theme of exile and the concept of «home.»

Recommended for adults with children ages 9 and older

SCREENING OF THE DOCUMENTARY BAGAGES

Sunday, November 25, 2:00 p.m.

J. A. Bombardier Theatre

With the participation of artist Maya Ersan of Mere Phantoms and Director Paul Tom

Bagages is a documentary featuring teenage immigrants (ages 12 to 17) studying at Paul-Gérin-Lajoie-d'Outremont High School, all of whom have lived in Montreal for less than two years. Through drama workshops and staged scenes, they share their stories of immigration and integration. With a wisdom well beyond their years that will leave no one unmoved, these young students recount their journeys with a disarming authenticity. Their accounts move from an «elsewhere and before» to a «here and now.» Following the screening, artist Maya Ersan and director Paul Tom will present their respective projects, which offer different perspectives on the migration experience.

Recommended for adults with children ages 9 and older

ENCHANTED MUSIC WITH I MUSICI DE MONTRÉAL

December 9 and 16, 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

60-minute concerts

Inspired by the iconic Ogilvy holiday window displays, I Musici de Montréal will take the stage at the McCord Museum's J. A. Bombardier Theatre to recreate the magic of its legendary Tudor Hall concerts. Both the young and the young at heart will thrill to the sounds of winter songs and holiday classics.

Tickets \$20, on sale through Eventbrite (to come).

Free for children ages 12 and under and McCord Museum Members.

The ticket price includes a visit to the Museum and the «Enchanted Worlds» installation. Relive the magic of Ogilvy's mechanical holiday window displays at the McCord Museum. Presented by iÖGO nanö.

All ages

PARENTS AND TOTS, HOLIDAY EDITION – in collaboration with Motherforlife.com and Nourri-Source ([photos](#))

December 26, 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Parents and their babies can enjoy sensorimotor games along with holiday-themed books and rhymes sure to entertain future readers! There will also be a baby sign language workshop (10:30 a.m.), family-themed tours of the Museum's exhibitions (11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.), and a session with two nursing coaches (2:00 to 4:00 p.m.) who will answer questions and offer parents support and advice.

Recommended for parents with babies ages 0 to 18 months



About the McCord Museum

The McCord Museum is the museum of all Montrealers, a social history museum that celebrates life in Montreal, both past and present—its history, its people, and its communities. Open to the city and the world, the Museum presents exciting exhibitions, educational programming and cultural activities that offer a contemporary perspective on history, engaging visitors from Montreal, Canada and beyond. It is home to over 1.5 million artefacts, comprising one of the largest historical collections in North America, organized into the following departments: Dress, Fashion and Textiles, Photography, Indigenous Cultures, Paintings, Prints and Drawings, Decorative Arts, and Textual Archives. McCord Museum: Our People, Our Stories.

Source and information

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