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MUSEUM NIGHT FEVER 2022: A NIGHT AT THE WHIM OF 34

BRUSSELS MUSEUMS

Saturday 22 October 2022
19:00 - 01:00

Museum Night Fever returns on Saturday 22 October 2022 from 7pm to 1am for its 15th edition. With 34 museums throughout Brussels, this is the largest edition ever organised.

Like every year, Museum Night Fever offers its visitors the chance to create their own original itinerary through a hundred or so artistic activities, the brainchild of young multidisciplinary talents, collectives or art schools and the museum teams. The aim of the event? To transform and break down the barriers in museums in the most original way possible for the greatest enjoyment of all audiences.

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In order to facilitate the Museum Night Fever experience, STIB shuttles will run throughout the evening between the various participating venues and, as a novelty, historic trams and buses will also provide one of the proposed shuttles.

Also noteworthy since the lifting of covid restrictions: the maximum capacity of the participating venues is once again guaranteed and an afterparty will be held at C12 to close the evening in style!

PARTICIPATING MUSEUMS

The **museums that once again answer the call of the night** this year are : ARGOS, art et marges museum, Autoworld Brussels, Choco-Story Brussels, CINEMATEK, CIVA, A Foundation, Fondation Boghossian - Villa Empain, GardeRobe MannekenPis, Grand Serment Royal et de St-Georges des Arbalétriers, Halles Saint-Géry, House of European History, La Maison des Arts, Maison du Roi – Brussels City Museum, MIMA - Millennium Iconoclast Museum of Art, MoMuse - Molenbeek-Saint-Jean Museum, BELvue Museum, Museum of the National Bank of Belgium, Comic Arts Museum, Sewer Museum, Jewish Museum of Belgium, Fashion & Lace Museum, Museum of Natural Sciences - Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences, Coudenberg Palace, War Heritage Institute - Royal Museum of Military History and WIELS.

Other **museums that participate more rarely are also making a comeback**, such as the Art & History Museum, the Parlamentarium, Train World, the Design Museum Brussels and KANAL - Centre Pompidou, which will present the exhibition "Kinshasa N'Tonga, between future and dust" and several performances in its temporary space K1.

In addition, the Fondation Thalie, ISELP and La Loge are participating for the very first time.

AN INCREASINGLY OPEN CARTE BLANCHE PROGRAMME

The complete list of performances, animations and exhibitions to be seen during Museum Night Fever is now available on the programme page of museumnightfever.be.

From a programme point of view, the museums have called on a hundred or so young artists to whom they have given carte blanche, for one evening, to reinterpret their exhibitions through their practice or simply to set the mood. Immersive installations, concerts, DJ sets, participatory workshops, dance, urban circus, fashion shows, poetry and silent disco: the festive and informal atmosphere of Museum Night Fever is a unique opportunity for those who are still hesitant to push open the door of museums.

Some highlights of the evening:

- **At Maison du Roi**
A horde of demons, protectors of the terrible beast struck down by Saint Michael, have taken refuge in Maison du Roi: dare to challenge them in their lair with the theatrical staging created by ARBA students Céleste Alicot & Basil Amrom.
- **At the Museum of Natural Sciences**
The Jurassic Jazz of the students of the Koninklijk Conservatorium Brussel resounds in the galleries of the Museum. Meanwhile the Karys Dance Center's call to dance will be heard from the mammoth to the Tasmanian tiger and the T-Rex...
- **At the Art & History Museum**
Taiko drums, mokuhanga woodcutting demos, Belgian-Japanese electropop music... In short, everything to compliment the incredible Shin Hanga exhibition on modern Japanese prints!
- **At La Maison des Arts**
The artist Ohme takes over all the spaces of the Maison des Arts for the exhibition *Couleur/Lumière*. During the evening, the courtyard is transformed into a colourful dancefloor and the garden and basement become the playground for interactive installations and DJ sets.

And from 11 pm until the wee hours of the night, find movement in the expert hands of C12 for an electro afterparty with an international line-up: Call Super, Stellar OM Source, Lawrence Le Doux, Adi and Driss Bennis will take you on a hot and dreamy journey!

MUSEUM NIGHT FEVER & INCLUSION

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A few highlights of their creations:

- **At the Army Museum**
The incandescent Brussels musical trio Goodbye Fortune Tellers announces a garage rock flavoured according to mood, pushed by lo-fi fuzz guitars from which haunting pop vocal melodies emerge.
- **At CINEMATEK**
Strange, kitschy, provocative: the *Rocky Horror Museum Show*, an exceptional drag cabaret created by CRASH-TEST and PLAYBACK, reappropriates the cult midnight movie (*Rocky Horror Picture Show*) to offer an even more whimsical, even more queer version.
- **At the Jewish Museum of Belgium**
Anna Schlooz explores the fetishisation and objectification of the female and homosexual body in the performance *Bodyody*.
- **At Train World**
To warm up the Museum, the artists of the Warm Bodies project will be the queer guides of this night with tales of journeys to their bodies, with no return to the patriarchy, destination their hometown.

Museum Night Fever is also improving its information for people with disabilities and will carry out a **full accessibility audit for people with special needs** during the evening via the independent organisation Access-i. The recommendations made by the organisation will be used to adapt the event beyond its constraints in the years to come and to propose, by default, routes adapted to everyone.

MASS EVENT AND SUSTAINABLE ENGAGEMENT

In 2019 and 2021, Museum Night Fever welcomed 17,000 and 12,000 people respectively, of which an average of 75% were under 35 years old.

To reduce the ecological impact of this major event and address the issue of carbon emissions in the cultural sector, MNF is setting up a sustainability charter this year which will lay the foundations for annual improvements.

Favouring soft mobility for workers and the public, reducing, and treating waste appropriately, reviewing the production of goodies in a sustainable manner, adjusting the production of communication media and working with local partners and local businesses for the event are all eco-actions through which we wish to contribute to sustainable development and encourage museums to adopt these practices in their daily activities.

IN PRACTICE

The 34 museums open their doors from **19:00 to 01:00**.
The afterparty takes place at C12 from 11 pm.

Prices

For pre-sales - 19.09 > 21.10

Standard ticket €14

Ticket +afterparty 24 €.

On the day of the event - 22.10

Standard ticket € 18

Ticket +afterparty € 28

People with a museumpassmusées receive a €9 discount.

The participation rates for people in difficult situations article 27 (€1.25) and paspartoe kansentarium (€2) apply.

Points of sale

Online: museumnightfever.be

+ Fnac Belgium shops & fnac.be, visit.brussels tourism information desks & visit.brussels website, Muntpunt, PointCulture ULB + various museums (see website)

Pre-sales already available on www.museumnightfever.be

Do not hesitate to contact us if you need more information or visuals due to your publication deadlines.

Photos and visuals are [available to download here](#).

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