

The Collections of the Weltmuseum Wien



Sub-Saharan Africa
North Africa, Middle East, Central Asia and Siberia
East Asia: China, Korea, Japan
South and Southeast Asia, the Himalaya countries
Insular Southeast Asia
Oceania and Australia
North and Central America
South America



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Our Very Important Patrons and their Favorite Objects



"I am fascinated by the beauty of this Hawaiian piece of jewelry for the arm from the Cook collection – it is simple and elegant and at the same time, conveys powerful energy."

Vera Russwurm, host of Austrian talk shows



"Franz Ferdinand is known as a smoker. He purchased this smoking cap in the USA on his trip around the world and possibly wore it at home. I want to highlight the private person of the Austrian Heir to the Throne from whom we indeed still know very little."

Georg Markus, journalist and Habsburg expert



"This dual headrest reminds me of my professional years in South Africa. I am delighted that I now am connected again with the culture of this fascinating country – through this object in the Weltmuseum Wien."

Thomas Schäfer-Elmayer, dance and etiquette expert

We invite you to join our Very Important Patrons – become a Culture Patron of the Weltmuseum Wien.

You find detailed information and many objects to choose from on our website:

weltmuseumwien.at/en/give-join/cultural-patronage



"As a Cultural Patron you become part of the new Weltmuseum Wien."

Steven Engelsman, Director



Weltmuseum Wien – A World Museum for a Global City

The Weltmuseum Wien holds unique cultural treasures from every continent. It is one of the most important museums dedicated to non-European cultures, and shows relations with the world; previously it was called the Museum of Ethnology, Vienna. The museum is housed in the former Imperial Hofburg Palace in Vienna. At the end of 2017 and after an extensive renovation, visitors will be able to experience the unique collections in fourteen representative galleries.

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The objects represent more than 500 years of high quality collecting activities of the Habsburgs. The most valuable include objects from the Cabinet of Curiosities of Emperor Rudolf II, the ancient Mexican feather headdress Penacho, the world-famous collection of James Cook and the collections of Archduchess Leopoldine from Brazil. There are also objects of discovery and research expeditions in the 19th century – among them the acquisitions of Archduke Maximilian in Mexico and those of the round-the-world travels of Crown Prince Rudolf and Archduke Franz Ferdinand. In addition, outstanding documents of non-European cultures were also collected in the 20th century.

The new permanent exhibition describes where the objects originated, how they found their way to Austria and their significance. As a result, culture, history and tradition can be seen from new perspectives.

We Need Your Support

The majority of the budget for the rebuilding will be provided by federal funds. Nevertheless, some tasks will need additional support. Therefore, in order to be able to be fully ready in 2017, we need your financial support for

- the conservation and preservation of valuable objects,
- research to prepare the documentation for the new exhibitions,
- the development of a diverse program of events
- establishing programs for children and youth.

Become a Part of the New Weltmuseum Wien – Be a Cultural Patron

As a Cultural Patron you demonstrate your cultural responsibility by caring for a selected object of the permanent exhibition in a very personal way. 2,500 pieces – unique sculptures, ritual objects, models, puppets, masks, photographs, maps, diaries, manuscripts, etc. – form the basis of the stories which are being told in the Weltmuseum Wien. You are invited to select a culture with which you have a special relationship and pick your favorite object. Then, as a Cultural Patron you are connected to the Weltmuseum Wien forever in a very special way.

How we thank you for your Commitment

With a donation of

€ 500 on

you receive a personalized Cultural Patron Certificate; your name is included in the object database, on the website and on the electronic Donors Wall in the Foyer of the Weltmuseum Wien; and you receive invitations to all exhibition openings plus the annual reception for Cultural Patrons.

Over € 1,000

you are referenced in the annual report

Over € 5,000

you are honored by the Weltmuseum Wien Director at the reception for Cultural Patrons

Over € 20,000

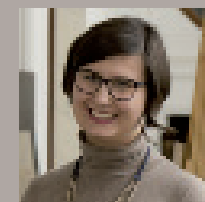
your name is inscribed on the Donors Wall in the museum foyer

Your donation is tax deductible in Austria and in the USA

We welcome donations of any amount: Over € 25, we provide a small gift; over 100 €, we invite you to a construction site tour, and over € 250 we welcome you at a reception to mark the reopening of the museum.

We would be pleased to inform and advise you personally or by E-mail at spenden@weltmuseumwien.at

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