

# DIOR

FROM PARIS TO THE WORLD

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## PROGRAM GUIDE

Since his debut collection, art gallerist turned legendary couturier Christian Dior has generated an epic movement in fashion history. With lavish embroidery, luxurious fabrics, and elegant silhouettes, his designs were a revolutionary celebration of modern femininity when they emerged in Paris after World War II. Today, Dior's global influence is as enduring and iconic as ever. *Dior: From Paris to the World* surveys more than 70 years of the House of Dior's legacy, featuring a dynamic selection of almost 200 haute couture dresses, as well as accessories, photographs, original sketches, runway videos, and other archival material.

## MAY

### Exhibition Talk: *Dior*

Thursday, May 23, 7:00 p.m.  
\$10 public, \$5 DMA Members  
and students with valid ID

Fashion historian Amber Butchart will talk about the ways in which fashion designers past and present have taken inspiration from the world around them. Drawing on fashion history, art, nature, and pop culture, Butchart will explore the nature of innovation and reveal threads that connect decades of fashion design.

## JUNE

### Open Studio Art Making

June 1, 2, 15, & 16, noon–4:00 p.m.  
FREE

Drop in to the Art Studio and take on the role of fashion designer to create a mini-collection for a paper doll. All supplies provided.

### Free Youth and Student Sundays

The Heart of Neiman Marcus Foundation will sponsor a day on June 2 to allow youth and students (with valid ID) free access to *Dior: From Paris to the World*. Students under 16 must be accompanied by an adult with a paid ticket. Exhibition tickets are timed with capacity restrictions. A second day will occur before the exhibition closes.

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### Toddler Art: *Fabric Frenzy*

June 4, 7, or 14, 11:00 a.m.–noon  
\$8 public, \$5 DMA Members

Velvet, satin, and tulle—oh, my! In June explore the many fashions and fabrics found in the House of Dior, and then make your own T-shirt in this class for 2–3 year olds and their caregivers.



### **Arts & Letters Live Book Club: *Dior by Dior* Wine + Cheese + Conversation + Private Exhibition Tour**

Wednesday, June 12, 6:00–8:00 p.m.

Led by Annette Becker, Director, Texas Fashion Collection,  
University of North Texas

\$150 public, \$125 DMA Members and educators

Join fellow fashionistas and book lovers for French wine and cheese and conversation about Christian Dior's autobiography, which delves into his life, work, and insights about his creative process in his own words. Then, enjoy an exclusive, expert-led private tour of the exhibition *Dior: From Paris to the World*. Each session is limited to 50 participants. Copies of *Dior by Dior* are available for purchase separately in the DMA Store.

### **Teen Workshop: *Textile Design***

Saturday, June 15, 22, & 29, 1:00–4:00 p.m.

\$24 public, \$15 DMA Members

House of Dior designers have a legacy of finding inspiration in art. Some manage to capture the spirit of a style and time, while others replicate an artist's process down to the very weave of the threads. In this three-week workshop, enter the world of fashion at the foundation: the fabric itself. Design a textile with color, pattern, and a little inspiration from a work of art in the DMA's collection.

### **Summer Art Camp: *Style Stars***

June 17–21, 9:00 a.m.–noon

Ages 6–8

\$210 public, \$175 DMA Members

From red-carpet gowns by the House of Dior to woven textiles from Indonesia, we'll search the galleries for fashion forward style in this camp all about creativity in design and thinking outside the box. Inspired by works in the Museum's collection, you'll design wearable art from head to toe. Experiment with tie-dye, weaving, embroidery, batik, and more, and let your inner style star shine. Please note: Sewing skills will not be taught in this camp.

### **Make & Take: *Artful Accessory***

Thursday, June 27, 5:30–8:30 p.m.

FREE

Join us for a guided art-making activity for adults inspired by the fashion creations of Christian Dior. Drop by and stay for as long as you want. Whether it's a few minutes or an hour, you'll leave with a new skill and your own creation.

## **JULY**

### **Fashion Film Series**

Saturdays in July, 3:00 p.m.

\$5 public, FREE for DMA Members and students (with valid ID)

Each Saturday in July, drop in for a documentary exploring the world of high fashion through the work of one designer, with special introductions by local fashion experts. Featured documentaries include *McQueen* (2018) and *Westwood: Punk. Icon. Activist.* (2018).

## **JUNE CONTINUED**

### **Arts & Letters Live Book Club: *Dior by Dior* Wine + Cheese + Conversation + Private Exhibition Tour**

Tuesday, June 4, 6:00–8:00 p.m.

Led by Sarah Schleuning, The Margot B. Perot  
Senior Curator of Decorative Arts and Design, DMA  
\$150 public, \$125 DMA Members and educators

Join fellow fashionistas and book lovers for French wine and cheese and conversation about Christian Dior's autobiography, which delves into his life, work, and insights about his creative process in his own words. Then, enjoy an exclusive, expert-led private tour of the exhibition *Dior: From Paris to the World*. Each session is limited to 50 participants. Copies of *Dior by Dior* are available for purchase separately in the DMA Store.

### **Gallery Talk: *Dior's New Look***

Wednesday, June 5, 12:15 p.m.

Annette Becker, Director of the Texas Fashion Collection at UNT, will talk about Dior's Top to Toe approach to design and how his New Look proposed a unique version of femininity in the postwar era.

### Art Babies: All Dressed Up

Monday, July 1, 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., noon  
\$8 public, \$5 DMA Members

Ready to rock the runway? In July and August, we'll explore the gorgeous garments on view in *Dior: From Paris to the World* and then enjoy sensory play in this class for children 0–24 months old and their caregivers.

### Summer Art Camp: Fibers, Fabric, and Fashion

July 8–12, 9:00 a.m.–noon  
Ages 9–12  
\$210 public, \$175 DMA Members

If you love to create with needle and thread, felt and fabric, and art that you can wear, then this camp is for you! Take a closer look at textiles from Indonesia, quilts from 1900s America, costumes from Africa, and global gowns from the fashion house of Dior, and then create your own one-of-a-kind clothing and accessories. Explore various fiber techniques, use unconventional materials, and test yourself in "make it work" moments. Please note: Sewing skills will not be taught in this camp.

### Second Thursdays with a Twist: That's Fierce

Thursday, July 11, 5:00–9:00 p.m.  
\$5 public (some exhibitions require additional tickets on this evening), FREE for DMA Members and educators (with valid ID)

Join us to take a unique and unexpected look at the Museum's collection with a pop culture twist. Celebrate all things fashion, try your hand at an unconventional *Project Runway* challenge, and learn more about clothing that has been lost to time.

### Special Event: More Than Enough Presented in partnership with Arts & Letters Live

7:00 p.m.

Award-winning journalist, judge on the new *Project Runway*, and former editor-in-chief of *Teen Vogue*, Elaine Welteroth will discuss her riveting and timely new book *More Than Enough: Claiming Space for Who You Are (No Matter What They Say)*. **An additional ticket is required for this talk.**

### Family Workshop: Ready, Set, Sew!

Saturday, July 13, 1:00–2:30 p.m.  
\$8 public, \$5 DMA Members

Pattern, pin, cut, and sew—learn all about the artistry and craft involved behind the runway as we explore the world of Dior in this workshop for 6–12 year olds and their caregivers.



### Gallery Talk: Collaborative Art + Fashion: Dior, Raf Simons, and Sterling Ruby

Wednesday, July 17, 12:15 p.m.  
FREE

Join Nasher Sculpture Center Gallery Educator Melissa Gonzales for a talk about painter and sculptor Sterling Ruby and his celebrated partnership with Christian Dior Creative Director Raf Simons. Gonzales will highlight garments in the exhibition *Dior: From Paris to the World* and discuss what made this collaboration groundbreaking.

### Late Night at the Dallas Museum of Art

Friday, July 19, 6:00–11:00 p.m.  
\$10 public (some exhibitions require an additional \$10 ticket), \$5 students (with valid ID), FREE for DMA Members and children 11 and under

Learn about the House of Dior and its impact on the world of fashion with talks, films, tours, and more.



### Late Night Talk: Dior and His Decorators

7:00 p.m.

Author Maureen Footer will talk about her book *Dior and His Decorators*, examining the work of Victor Grandpierre and Georges Geffroy, the designers behind Dior's first couture house. With a trove of evocative vintage photographs, Footer will explore the part these designers played in launching the Dior brand by creating the backdrop for his New Look.

### Late Night Film: Dior and I

9:00 p.m.

Frédéric Tcheng's 2015 documentary *Dior and I* provides an exclusive look inside the Dior atelier as new artistic director Raf Simons designs his first haute couture collection.

### Teen Night hosted by the Teen Advisory Council

Thursday, July 25, 5:00–9:00 p.m.  
FREE

Use the Museum as your social platform to meet new people through activities and tours inspired by *Dior: From Paris to the World*.



# AUGUST

## Open Studio Art Making

August 3, 4, 17, & 18, noon–4:00 p.m.  
FREE

Drop in to the Art Studio and transform a giant coffee filter into a fashion-forward hat. All supplies provided.

## Arturo's Art & Me: *Passion for Fashion*

August 10, 14, or 15, 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.  
\$8 public, \$5 DMA Members

Walk the runway from Dallas to Delhi and Paris to Peru in a round-the-world exploration of the wearable art on view in Dior: From Paris to the World in this class for 3–5 year olds and their caregivers.

## Art Babies: *All Dressed Up*

Monday, August 12, 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., noon  
\$8 public, \$5 DMA Members

Ready to rock the runway? In July and August, we'll explore the gorgeous garments on view in *Dior: From Paris to the World* and then enjoy sensory play in this class for children 0–24 months old and their caregivers.

## Late Night at the Dallas Museum of Art

Friday, August 16, 6:00–11:00 p.m.  
\$10 public (some exhibitions require an additional \$10 ticket),  
\$5 students (with valid ID), FREE for DMA Members  
and children 11 and under

Explore ways in which the fashion and art worlds have inspired and influenced each other over the centuries through music, talks, and art activities.

### Late Night Talk: *Dior: From Paris to the World*

7:00 p.m.

DMA decorative arts curator Sarah Schleuning will share highlights from her new exhibition *Dior: From Paris to the World* and talk about how the House of Dior has looked to art for inspiration over the last 70 years.

### Creativity Challenge

7:30 p.m.

Get ready to walk the runway in a fast-paced making challenge just for families! Use everyday art supplies like paper, tape, foil, and more to create wearable fashion. *Team sign-up will begin at 7:15 p.m. on Level 3 near the Blue Elevators and is limited to the first 10 teams.*

### Live Podcast: *The Golden Age of Haute Couture with "Dressed"*

9:00 p.m.

When Dior unveiled his New Look in the late 1940s, he kicked off what would be known as a Golden Age of Couture. Join April Calahan and Cassidy Zachary from the podcast *Dressed* for a live episode about what made this era of fashion design so iconic and who the key players were.

## Make & Take: *Wearable Raffia*

Thursday, August 29, 5:30–8:30 p.m.  
FREE

Join us for a guided art-making activity for adults inspired by the fashion creations of Christian Dior and the new textile gallery exhibition *Wearable Raffia* (opening August 31). Drop by and stay for as long as you want. Whether you're here for a few minutes or an hour, you'll leave with a new skill and your own creation.



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