**COMO FASHION QUARTER EXHIBITION - Frequently asked questions**

**About the exhibition:***This April Como will host an exhibition of design and style that looks at the way influencers and stylists use objects, fashion and design to convey meaning and make pictures. By exploring this creative process the Trust will also showcase its inspiring costume collection.*

*Four fashion practitioners have been chosen and Como has been divided up between them. Historical fashion will be merged with contemporary design, creating a fusion of past and present.*

*These creative producers are:*

* *Kiri-Una Brito Meumann is an artist with an interest in fashion, who as an influencer on Instagram merges luxury fashion with high art aesthetics.*
* *Stuart Walford works across runway, editorial and onsite installation, and has a refined, considered and intellectual approach.*
* *Marc Wasiak has been working in fashion for over 20 years, with his depth of experience and extravagant production values he brings drama and vibrancy to the project.*
* *Thalea Michos-Vellis works both in front of and behind the camera as a stylist and photographer. Her approach is cool and off-beat, delivering a freshness and novelty to the mix.*

**General Information:**

**When does the exhibition open?**

* The exhibition opens on Friday 6 April and closes on Sunday 1 July 2018
* The exhibition is open daily from 10.00am to 4.00pm
* The exhibition will also be open on Public Holidays

**Where is the exhibition?**

* The exhibition is held inside Como House at Como House and Gardens, Williams Rd & Lechlade Ave, South Yarra VIC 3141
* **Will the mansion feature its original furniture and fixtures? Will it be open for tours?**

The exhibition is presented inside Como House. During this time some of the internal furniture and fixtures of the mansion may have been removed, adjusted or replaced to accommodate the exhibition pieces. Regular mansion tours won’t be offered during this time.

All original furniture and fixtures will be re-installed and presented once the exhibition has ended. House tours will also re-commence after the exhibition period.

* **How do I purchase tickets?**

Tickets can be purchased online at …. or at the door.

You can also contact our Bookings Office on (03) 9656 9889 or email bookings@nattrust.com.au to purchase tickets over the phone between 9am – 5pm Monday to Friday. Tickets are sent by email at the time of booking and credit card payment is required.

Please note your ticket does not include a tour of the mansion. Regular mansion tours won’t be offered during the exhibition period and will only re-commence once all the original furniture and fixtures are re-installed.

**Planning your visit:**

**How long does it take to see the exhibition?**

We recommend planning at least one hour for your visit. The exhibition is a self-guided exhibition.

**Travel Options -**

**By Car:**There is limited parking around Como House and Gardens and there is no parking onsite. We recommend catching public transport. If you are still required to dive, Como House is located on the corner of Williams Rd & Lechlade Ave, South Yarra, approximately 6.3km from Melbourne’s CBD.

**Public Transport:**

**By Train**

The property is approximately 15-minute walk from Hawksburn Station Couth Yarra Station, on the Frankston Line.

**By Tram**

Catch Tram Route 58 (West Coburg to Toorak) to stop number 131

**By Bus**

Bus bays are located along Williams Rd boundary.

**Where is the nearest ATM?**Nearest ATM is located along Toorak Road.

**Is there disabled access?**

The mansion is a double storey building, with the exhibitions located on both levels. We have a mobility ramp to the lower level of the mansion, but the upper level can only be accessed by stairs.

Should you have mobility issues where offsite parking is problematic please call the Property Manager Kate Drummond on 0420 978 197 who will arrange suitable access. To accommodate requests we prefer 24 hours’ notice.

The Stables café, located onsite at Como House and Gardens has disabled bathroom facilities.

Please note that the garden paths are gravel and can make wheelchair access difficult. Please speak to the staff onsite to highlights the more wheelchair friendly paths.

* **Prams permitted?**Prams are permitted inside the gardens, however are not permitted inside the mansion. We do not have a cloak room on site.
* **Is there onsite parking?**No. There is limited parking in surrounding streets
* **Is there a Café on site?**The Stables café is located onsite. The Stables is open daily from 10am – 5pm. The Café has Eftpos facilities and can take group bookings for breakfast or lunch directly on (03) 9827 6886.
* **Can I bring a picnic and sit in the grounds?**Picnics are encouraged! We have plenty of space in the gardens for you and your family to have a picnic lunch. Please remember to take all rubbish home with you.
* **Is there a National Trust Shop on site?**Yes, the Como Shop is open daily and stocks a wonderful range of goodies including National Trust of Australia (Victoria) merchandise. The gift shop has Eftpos facilities.
* **Can I take photographs in the exhibition?**

Yes, you can take photographs in the exhibition, however please remember to turn off the flash mode. If you’re posting to social media make sure to hashtag #NationalTrustVic and tag us to allow us to repost your pics!

**Tickets:**

* **Do I need to pre-book tickets online?**We highly recommend pre-booking tickets to avoid long queues. Pre-booked tickets are available here. A $0.30 online booking fee applies to each ticket purchased.

Tickets can also be purchased upon arrival at Como House and Gardens

* **Ticket pricing:**

Adult: $15
Concession: $13

Child (5-15 years old): $5
Family of four (two adults and two children): $35

**NT Member pricing (10% off)**

NT Member Adult: $13.50

NT Member Concession: $11.50

NT Member Child (5-15): $4.50

NT Member Family (two adults and two children): $31.50

* **Can I make a group booking?**

Yes.If you have a group of 10 or more people, please contact the National Trust Bookings Office on (03) 9656 9889 or email bookings@nattrust.com.au to discuss group bookings.

**Group ticket pricing:**

Adult group ticket: $11
Concession group ticket: $10

Child group ticket: $4

* **I am unable to attend the exhibition - Can I get a refund?**

Unfortunately, our tickets are non-refundable, however you are welcome to give the tickets to a friend or family member.

* **Do you accept concession cards?**

Yes, we accept Seniors Cards, Pensioner Cards, Health- Care Cards and Student Cards as valid forms of Concession. Please ensure you bring your concession card along to present to staff on site.