an extensive collection of American and modern art. The Met also maintains extensive holdings of African, Asian, Oceanic, Byzantine and Islamic art. The museum is also home to encyclopedic collections of musical instruments, costumes and accessories, and antique weapons and armor from around the world. A number of notable interiors, ranging from 1st century Rome through modern American design, are permanently installed in the Met’s galleries.

Website: www.metmuseum.org

MoMA Museum of Modern Art
11 West 53 St., New York, NY 10019, USA

The Museum of Modern Art (MoMA) is an art museum located in New York City. It has been singularly important in developing and collecting modernist art, and is often identified as the most influential museum of modern art in the world. The museum’s collection offers an unparalleled overview of modern and contemporary art, including works of architecture and design, drawings, painting, sculpture, photography, prints, illustrated books, film and electronic media.

MoMA’s library and archives hold over 300,000 books, artist books, and periodicals, as well as individual files on more than 70,000 artists. The archives contain primary source material related to the history of modern and contemporary art.

Website: www.moma.org

Mood Disorders Association of Ontario
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The Mood Disorders Association of Ontario is a self-help, non-profit organization dedicated to helping people with mood disorders (i.e., depression or bipolar disorder), their families and friends, through volunteer-led peer support groups, public education, telephone information and support, educational materials and distinguished speakers. All Mood Disorders Association of Ontario services are free.

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Museo Nacional del Prado
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The Museo del Prado is a museum and art gallery located in Madrid, the capital of Spain. It features one of the world’s finest collections of European art, from the 12th century to the early 19th century, based on the former Spanish Royal Collection. Founded as a museum of paintings and sculpture, it also contains important collections of more than 5,000 drawings, 2,000 prints, 1,000 coins and medals, and almost 2,000 decorative objects and works of art. Sculpture is represented by more than 700 works and by a smaller number of sculptural fragments. It is one of the most visited sites in Madrid.

With about 1,300 paintings on display in the museum, the museum’s world-class status is secured. The Prado has easily the best collection of Spanish art in the world. Its collections include works by the Dutch painter Hieronymus Bosch (a personal favourite of King Philip II of Spain), Titian, Peter Paul Rubens, Raphael, and Joachim Patiner. Fine examples of the works of Andrea Mantegna, Botticelli, Caravaggio, Guido Reni, Albrecht Dürer, Rembrandt, Orazio Gentileschi, Artemisia Gentileschi, Veronese, Hans Baldung Grien, Fra Angelico, Antonello da Messina, Van der Weyden, Nicolas Poussin, Claude Gellée, Thomas Gainsborough, Thomas Lawrence, and many other notable artists are also on display in the museum.

Website: http://museoprado.mcu.es/en/

Museum of Sex
235 Fifth Ave. (at 27th St.)
New York, NY, USA

When the Museum of Sex first emerged on New York City’s Fifth Avenue on October 5, 2002, it was without precedent in the museum world. With its inaugural award-winning exhibition, NYCSEX: How New York Transformed Sex in America, the Museum of Sex founded by Daniel Gluck demonstrated its commitment to being an institution unlike any other, one wholly dedicated to the exploration of the history, evolution and cultural significance of human sexuality.

In the development of NYCSEX: How New York Transformed Sex in America, the Museum created a board of advisors comprised of leading experts, activists, academics and artists. The Museum’s advisory board has guided curators and guest curators towards research resources, pertinent collections and exhibition-relevant artists. Advisors such as Steven Heller, Annie Sprinkle and June M. Eininsh, Director Emeritus for The Kinsey Institute for Research, Sex, Gender and Reproduction, as well as institutional collaborations with New York University’s Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality, New York Historical Society and the Lesbian Herstory Archives, have contributed to making the Museum of Sex one of the most dynamic and innovative institutions in the world.

In the past six years the Museum of Sex has generated 12 exhibitions and 5 virtual installations, each in keeping with the Museum’s mission of advocating open discourse surrounding sex and sexuality as well as striving to present to the public the best in current scholarship unhindered by self-censorship. With each new exhibition, lecture series, event and publication, the Museum of Sex is committed to addressing a wide range of topics, while simultaneously highlighting material and artifacts from different continents, cultures, time periods and media.

The Museum’s permanent collection of over 15,000 artifacts is comprised of works of art, photography, clothing and costumes, musical instruments, publications, media outlets, and celebrities with technological innovations and historical ephemera. Additionally, the museum houses both a research library as well as an extensive multimedia library, which includes 8mm, Super 8mm, 16mm, Beta, VHS and DVDs. From fine art to historical ephemera to film, the Museum of Sex preserves an ever-growing collection of sexual related objects that would otherwise be destroyed and discarded due to their sexual content. Design has played a pivotal role in both exhibition development and execution, with world-renowned design firms such as Pentagram Design Inc., Casson Mann and 2x4 helping to transform the galleries and historic building over the last six years. The museum’s building, built in the area of New York formerly known as the “ Tenderloin,” a district of NYC made notorious by the theaters and saloons, serves as a New York City landmarked site.

In a short time, the Museum has received attention from academic institutions, major publications, media outlets, and celebrities such as Howard Stern, Jay Leno and Chris Rock – positioning the Museum of Sex one of the most dynamic and innovative institutions in the world.
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National Anti-Racism Council of Canada (NARCC) is a national, community-based, member-driven network that addresses racism, racialization and all other forms of related discrimination by sharing, developing information and resources; building, supporting and helping to coordinate local, regional, national and international initiatives, strategies and relationships; effectively responding to issues and events.

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National Media Museum

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The National Media Museum is part of the NMSI Museums Group (National Museum of Science and Industry) which also includes the Science Museum (based in Lon-
don and at Wroughton in Wiltshire) and the National Railway Museum (based in York and at Shildon in County Durham).

We exist to engage, inspire and educate by promoting an understanding and apprecia-
tion of photography, film, television, radio and the web; using our collection and knowledge to deliver a cultural program ac-
cessibly and authoritatively.

The National Media Museum covers seven floors of a city centre building in Bradford. It offers the following:

• Permanent interactive galleries about photography, television and animation as well as the Magic Factory which explains the basic principles behind those sub-
jects.
• Three cinemas including an IMAX show-
ing the latest 3D films and two other au-
ditoriia – Pictureville and Cubby Broccoli – which show films you won’t normally see in your local multiplex.
• Two special exhibition galleries – where we stage a rolling program of exhibitions – sometimes drawn from our collections, sometimes toured in from elsewhere.
The BBC’s Bradford radio, TV and online studio – a real, working exhibit within the Museum.

A number of areas where learning activities – tours and talks – take place.

A research and collections center where much of our extensive collection is held and where you can visit for research and study.

Website: www.nationalmediamuseum.org.uk

National Museum of American History

National Mall, 14th St. and Constitution Ave. N.W., Washington, DC, USA

The Smithsonian’s National Museum of American History dedicates its collections and scholarship to inspiring a broader understanding of our nation and its many peoples. We create opportunities for learning, stimulate imaginations, and present challenging ideas about our country’s past.

The Museum collects and preserves more than 3 million artifacts – all true national treasures. We take care of everything from the original Star-Spangled Banner and Abraham Lincoln’s top hat to Dizzy Gillespie’s angled trumpet and Dorothy’s ruby slippers from The Wizard of Oz. Our collections form a fascinating mosaic of American life and comprise the greatest single collection of American history.

Our exhibitions explore major themes in American history and culture, from the War of Independence to the present day. The Price of Freedom: Americans at War surveys the history of U.S. military conflicts and examines ways in which wars have been defining episodes in American history. America on the Move immerses visitors in the sights, sounds and sensations of transportation in the United States from 1870 to the present. Familiar favourites back on view include The American Presidency: A Glorious Burden. Within These Walls and First Ladies at the Smithsonian. New exhibits will offer visitors some-thing new on almost every visit.

The Museum hosts a full roster of public programs, from demonstrations, lectures and tours to storytelling and festivals. Music programs offer performances by chamber music ensembles, a jazz orchestra, gospel choirs, folk and blue artists, Native American singers, dancers, and more. In SparkLab, the Lemelson Center’s newest hands-on science and invention space, visitors can experiment with dry ice, invent new uses for paper bags and discover the story behind inventions like the boxed cake mix, among other activities. The brand new Nina and Ivan Selin Welcome Center allows for expanded visitor information services with increased one-on-one contact.

The Museum’s Archives Center houses a remarkable array of American history in documents, photographs and other works. These include the Warshaw Collection of business Americana, advertising histories of major U.S. corporations, and the Duke Ellington Collection sheet music, correspondence and photographs related to the life and career of the great composer and jazz musician.

Our website offers virtual exhibitions, behind-the-scenes glimpses into our collections and an overview of Museum programs and activities. Using the website, you can plan your visit to the Museum or go on a tour from your home. The Smithsonian’s History Explorer, the Museum’s new education website, offers free, standards-based, innovative resources for teaching and learning American history. We even have our own blog, Ob.Say Can You See, where you can stay updated on what’s happening at the Museum.

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National Museum of the American Indian

The Smithsonian’s National Museum of the American Indian is a museum dedicated to the life, languages, literature, history and arts of the native peoples of the Western Hemisphere. It was established in 1989 through an Act of Congress. Operating under the auspices of the Smithsonian Institution, it has three facilities: the National Museum of the American Indian on the National Mall in Washington, DC, which opened on September 21, 2004 on Fourth Street and Independence Avenue South-west; the George Gustav Heye Center, a permanent museum in New York City; and the Cultural Resources Center, a research and collections facility in Suitland, Maryland.

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National Music Museum

The University of South Dakota, 414 East Clark St., Vermillion, SD 57069, USA

Founded in 1973 on the campus of The University of South Dakota in Vermillion, the National Music Museum (NMM) & Center for Study of the History of Musical Instruments is one of the great institutions of its kind in the world. Its renowned collections, which include more than 14,500 American, European and non-Western instruments from virtually all cultures and historical periods, are the most inclusive anywhere.

The NMM is fully accredited by the American Association of Museums in Washington, D.C., and is recognized as “A Landmark of American Music” by the National Music Council. The NMM was founded as a partnership between the University of South Dakota, which provides staff and facilities for preservation, teaching and research, and the Board of Trustees of the NMM, a non-profit, 501(c)(3) corporation that is responsible for acquisitions, public exhibiting and programming. The Board of Trustees is totally dependent upon support from NMM members, individuals, corporations, foundations and governmental units.

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Artists Ben White and Eileen Simpson have initiated this project following a series of projects which involved researching and gathering music that has fallen out of copyright. Much of this music, although legally in the public domain, is tied to physical media (for example, gramophone records) and locked away in archives or private collections which are not widely accessible. The Open Music Archive aims to digitize as much of this music as possible in order to free it from the constraints of a physical collection.

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adopt, as far as possible, common positions on international issues and to estab-
lish and to maintain wherever possible, arrangements for joint overseas represen-
tation and/or common services;
• To promote economic integration among the Member States;
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spective institutions by discussion of ques-
tions of common concern and by agreement and common action.

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tion is the collective voice of the Muslim
world and ensuring to safeguard and protect
the interests of the Muslim world in the
spirit of promoting international peace and
harmony among various people of the
world. The Organization was established
upon a decision of the historical summit
which took place in Rabat, Kingdom of
Morocco, on 12th Rajab 1389 Hijra (25
September 1970) as a result of criminal ar-
son of Al-Aqsa Mosque in occupied Jeru-
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In 1970 the first-ever meeting of the Is-
lamic Conference of Foreign Ministers
(ICFM) was held in Jeddah, which decided
to establish a permanent secretariat in Jeddah headed by the Organiz-
tion’s secretary general. Prof. Ekmeleddin Ihsanoglu
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The present Charter of the Organization
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mit held in Dakar on 13–14 March 2008
which laid down the objectives and princi-
ples of the Organization and fundamental
purposes to strengthen the solidarity and
cooperation among the member states. Over
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from its founding members of 30 to 57
states. The Organization has the singular
honour to galvanize the Ummah into a uni-
fied body and have actively represented Muslims by espousing all causes close
to the hearts of over 1.5 billion Muslims of the
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The Organization has consultative and
cooperative relations with the UN and
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putes involving member states. In safe-
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The museum’s collections focus on ancient Japanese art and Asian art along the Silk Road. There is also a large collection of Greco-Buddhist art. All information is provided in Japanese, Chinese, English, French, German, Korean and Spanish.
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UNESCO – United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
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- Trade Capacity-Building
- Energy and Environment

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WMO promotes cooperation in the establishment of networks for making meteorological, climatological, hydrological and geographical observations, as well as for the exchange, processing and standardization of related data, and assists technology transfer, training and research. It also fosters collaboration between the National Meteorological and Hydrological Services of its members and furthers the application of meteorology to public weather services, agriculture, aviation, shipping, the environment, water issues and the mitigation of the impacts of natural disasters. WMO facilitates the free and unrestricted exchange of data and information, products and services in real- or near-real-time on matters relating to safety and security of society, economic welfare and the protection of the environment. It contributes to policy formulation in these areas at national and international levels.

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UNWTO plays a central and decisive role in promoting the development of responsible, sustainable and universally accessible tourism, paying particular attention to the interests of developing countries. The Organization encourages the implementation of the Global Code of Ethics for Tourism, with a view to ensuring that member countries, tourist destinations and businesses maximize the positive economic, social and cultural effects of tourism and fully reap its benefits, while minimizing its negative social and environmental impacts.

Its membership includes 161 countries and territories and more than 370 affiliate members representing the private sector, educational institutions, tourism associations and local tourism authorities. Direct actions that strengthen and support the efforts of National Tourism Organizations are carried out by UNWTO’s regional representatives (Africa, the Americas, East Asia and the Pacific, Europe, the Middle East and South Asia) based at the Headquarters in Madrid.

UNWTO is committed to the United Nations Millennium Development Goals, geared toward reducing poverty and fostering sustainable development.

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World Vision is a relief, development and advocacy organization dedicated to working with children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice. Motivated by our Christian faith, we serve the world’s most vulnerable people. We are best known for our sponsorship program, through which Canadians sponsor more than 500,000 children overseas. World Vision also works to engage the Government of Canada, policy makers, other NGOs and Canadian supporters on policy change issues relating to the well-being of children in developing countries. World Vision serves approximately 100 million people in nearly 100 countries, regardless of religion, race, ethnicity or gender.

Vision Mondiale est une organisation de solidarité internationale qui lutte contre toutes les formes de pauvreté et d’injustice à travers les programmes d’aide humanitaire, de développement et ses actions de plaidoyer. Inspirés par nos valeurs chrétiennes, nous apportons une aide aux enfants et aux familles les plus démunis sans aucune forme de discrimination sociale, ethnique ou religieuse. À travers le programme de partenariat de Vi- sion Mondiale, plus de 500 000 enfants sont partagés par les Canadiens. Les actions de Vision Mondiale consistent également à en- gager le gouvernement du Canada, les décideurs politiques, d’autres ONG et le public canadien vis-à-vis des enjeux qui affectent le bien-être des enfants dans les pays en voie de développement. Quelques 100 millions de personnes bénéficient des programmes de Vision Mondiale dans une centaine de pays.
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Toronto’s Yonge Street Mission has worked with people living with poverty for more than 115 years. Our goals are to answer immediate needs while also transforming lives. YSM experts can speak on issues relating to child poverty, street-involved youth, refugee families, immigration, single parents, seniors and the hard-to-house.

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