



Invitation

MUSEUM PROFESSIONALS IN DIALOGUE XVIII:

Annual Ordinary General Assembly

&

Extraordinary General Assembly

MUSEE DES BEAUX-ARTS DE LYON

MUSEE DES CONFLUENCES

GADAGNE – MUSEE D’HISTOIRE DE LYON

LYON, OCTOBER 23–24, 2025

The International Association of History Museums is pleased to announce its **annual workshop** with a series of professional visits and discussions with museum colleagues in **Lyon from 23 to 24 October 2025**. All IAMH members are warmly invited to participate.

On **23 October**, participants will visit the **Musée des Beaux-Arts de Lyon** and the **Musée des Confluences**. At both institutions, there will be opportunities for exchange with the curatorial teams on exhibition concepts and their implementation.

Housed in a former Benedictine abbey on Place des Terreaux, the **Musée des Beaux-Arts de Lyon** is one of the largest fine arts museums in France outside Paris. Its collections span from ancient Egyptian antiquities to 20th-century art, with masterpieces by Rubens, Delacroix, Monet, Picasso, and Matisse. The museum also features an impressive sculpture courtyard and a renowned collection of decorative arts and coins.

At the point where the Rhône and Saône rivers meet, the **Musée des Confluences** stands out as an architectural landmark with its striking glass and steel design. Dedicated to natural history, anthropology, and science, the museum tells the story of humankind and the world through thematic exhibitions. Highlights include dinosaur fossils, meteorites, and cultural artifacts from across the globe, making it a space where science, history, and society converge.

On **24 October**, the programme continues with a visit to the **Musée d’Histoire de Lyon (Musée Gadagne)**, located in the Renaissance era Hôtel de Gadagne in the city’s historic center. Founded in 1921, the museum traces Lyon’s development from Roman times to the present day. Its rich collections – archaeological finds, maps, manuscripts, prints, paintings, textiles, and objects of daily life – document the political, economic, and cultural evolution of the city. Particular strengths include printing, silk production, and urban development, reflecting Lyon’s importance as a European hub of trade and innovation.

These visits follow in the tradition of IAMH workshops, which in the past have taken members to Budapest (2005), Barcelona (2007), Geneva (2008), Ghent (2009), Lyon (2010), Lucerne (2011), Basel (2012), Antwerp (2014), Marseille (2013), Athens (2015), Milan (2016), Belgrade (2017), Lausanne (2018), Marseille (2019), Luxembourg (2021), Athens (2022), Vilnius (2023), and Paris (2024).

Event addresses:

MUSEE DES BEAUX-ARTS DE LYON

20 Pl. des Terreaux | 69001 Lyon

Tel. : [+33 4 72 10 17 40](tel:+33472101740)

<https://www.mba-lyon.fr/fr>

- Metro lines A and C, *Hôtel de Ville - Louis Pradel* station
- Bus stops Terreaux Tobie Robatel - Terreaux La Feuillée - La Feuillée - Hôtel de Ville
- Parking Terreaux, Hôtel de Ville - Louis Pradel

MUSEE DES CONFLUENCES

86 Quai Perrache Hall d | 69002 Lyon

Tel. administrative services: [+33 428 381 220](tel:+33428381220)

<https://museedesconfluences.fr/en>

- From Lyon – Part-Dieu station
20 minutes: Metro B, Debourg stop then T1 tram, Musée des Confluences stop
30 minutes: C7 bus
- From Lyon – Perrache station
10 minutes: T1 tram, Musée des Confluences stop, bus no.63
- From place Bellecour
15 minutes: C10, bus no.15

GADAGNE – MUSEE D’HISTOIRE DE LYON

1 place du Petit Collège | 69005 Lyon

Tel.: [+33 4 78 42 03 61](tel:+33478420361)

www.carnavalet.paris.fr

- Metro: line D, *Vieux Lyon*
- Bus: C3 and S1 (*Gare Saint-Paul* bus stop in both directions) ; C14, 19, 31, 40, S1 (*Saint-Paul* or *la Feuillée*: cross the Pont La Feuillée bridge)
- Public car parks: LPA Saint Georges, Saint Antoine and Célestins

Thursday, October 23

Event address :

MUSÉE DES BEAUX-ARTS DE LYON

20 Pl. des Terreaux | 69001 Lyon

Welcome by the Museum Director, Ms. Sylvie Ramond

10:00h (tbc)

Visit of the Museum by Ms. Geneviève Galliano, Chief Curator of Antiquities
and discussion about conceptual questions

10:30h (tbc)

Lunch break 12:00

Event address:

MUSÉE DES CONFLUENCES

86 Quai Perrache Hall d | 69002 Lyon

Welcome by the Museum Director, Ms. Hélène Lafont-Couturier 14:00

Visit and discussion about conceptual and scenographic questions 14:15

Friday, October 24

Event address:

GADAGNE – MUSEE D’HISTOIRE DE LYON

1 place du Petit Collège | 69005 Lyon

Coffee & welcome by the Museum Director, M. Xavier de la Selle 09 :30h

Visit of the Musée d’Histoire de Lyon (with an introduction to the project, its objectives, and its methods) 10:00h

Lunch break 12:30h

Discussion with the museum team 14:00

Saturday, October 25

Event address:

GADAGNE – MUSEE D’HISTOIRE DE LYON

1 place du Petit Collège | 69005 Lyon

IAMH Administrative Council Meeting 10:00h

IAMH General Assembly 10:30h

IAMH Extraordinary General Assembly 11:00h

Accommodation

Each participant is free to choose by his/her own attention and at his/her own expense a hotel of his/her convenience nearby the museum venue. Here are some suggestions:

Lyon-Saint Exupéry Airport

<https://www.lyonaerports.com/en/access-transport/travelling-lyon-airport-city-centre>

Lyon Saint-Exupéry TGV station, located just 2 minutes from Terminals 1 and 2 of the airport.

<https://www.garesetconnexions.sncf/en/stations-services/lyon-saint-exupery-tgv>

The **Rhôneexpress** tram/train shuttle leads you from Lyon-Saint-Exupéry to Lyon city centre :
“Lyon Part-Dieu” stop railway station

Return ticket – Rhôneexpress, bought online : € 28

<https://store.lyonaerports.com/en/access-transport/rhonexpress>

Lyon Part-Dieu Railway Station

<https://www.garesetconnexions.sncf/en/stations-services/lyon-part-dieu>

Hotels near Part-Dieu Railway Station

Hôtel Campanile Lyon Centre - Gare Part Dieu, 31 rue Maurice Flandin, Lyon 3ème

<https://lyon-centre-gare-part-dieu.campanile.com> +33 4 72 36 31 00

about 160 € for 1night, breakfast included

ibis Style Lyon Gare La Part-Dieu, 54 rue de la Villette, Lyon 3ème

<https://all.accor.com/hotel/7373/index.en.shtml#section-rooms> +33 4 72 68 25 40

about 140 € for 1 night, breakfast included

Ibis Budget Lyon la Part-Dieu, 52 rue de la Villette, Lyon 3ème

<https://all.accor.com/hotel/7413/index.en.shtml> +33 892 70 12 75

about 150 € for 1 night, breakfast included

Hotel Richelieu, 25 rue Lalande, , Lyon 3^{ème}

<https://www.hotelrichelieu.com/> +33 4 78 24 76 45

about 126 € for 1 night, breakfast included

Hotels near Perrache Railway Station

Hôtel Campanile Lyon Centre - Gare Perrache, 17, Place Carnot, Lyon 2ème

<https://lyon-centre-gare-perrache.campanile.com/en-us/?sr=OTHER> +33 4 78 37 48 47

about 118 € for 1night, breakfast included

Hôtel du Simplon, 11 rue Duhamel, Lyon 2ème

www.hotel-simplon-lyon.com/en +33 4 78 37 41 00

about 109 € for 1night, breakfast included

Hôtel Villa Berlioz, 12 Cours Charlemagne, Lyon 2ème
<https://www.villa-berlioz-hotel-lyon.com/en/> +33 4 78 42 30 31
about 101 € for 1night, breakfast included

Hotels near the Museum of Fine Arts / Presquîle district

Hotel Silky by HappyCulture, 2 Place Francisque Regaud, Lyon 2ème
<https://www.hotel-silky.com/en/> +33 4 78 37 17 17
about 400 € for 3 nights (134 € for night), breakfast included

Hôtel de Paris, 16, rue de la Platière, Lyon 1er
<https://hoteldeparis-lyon.com/en/> +33 4 78 28 00 95
about 90 € for 1night, breakfast with charge (13 €)

Hôtel des Artistes, 8 rue Gaspard André, Lyon 2ème
<https://www.hotel-des-artistes.fr/en/> +33 4 78 42 04 88
about 160 € for 1night, breakfast with charge (17 €)

Hôtel Elysée, 92 rue Président Edouard Herriot, Lyon 2ème
<https://www.hotelelysee.fr/en/accueil-english/> +33 4 78 42 03 15
about 70 € for 1night, breakfast with charge (9,50 €)

The best option, in terms of price and reliability, is to check on Booking.com.

The Museum and the Association request to be informed in advance of the number of participants to the event.

Please be so kind as to inform us of your intention to participate and communicate us your hotel and/or mobile phone number. This information will be kept, for organisational reasons, by Gaby Sonnabend (gsonnabend@vdl.lu) and Odette Balandraud (o.balandraud@wanadoo.fr).

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