



ABOUT THE OLYMPIC MUSEUM...

- Name:** **Olympic Museum Lausanne**
Foundation of the International Olympic Committee
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- Surface area:** 11,000 m² over five levels and a park of 22,000 m²
- Architects:** Pedro Ramírez Vázquez, of Mexico (Mexico)
Jean-Pierre Cahen, of Lausanne (Switzerland)
- Cost:** CHF 108 millions. Eighty five per cent from donations (the balance being covered by the IOC)
- Inauguration:** On 23 June 1993 by Juan Antonio Samaranch, President of the International Olympic Committee, and Adolf Ogi, President of the Swiss Confederation
- Infrastructure & services:** An auditorium that seats 180, and five meeting rooms for films, audiovisual programmes, seminars, meetings, etc.
A restaurant (150 places) and terrace with an exceptional view over the quai d'Ouchy and the Savoie mountains
Organisation of events
Shop: posters, books, DVDs, sports gear, various items linked to the Olympic rings, souvenirs
Educational services for schools
Public library and video library
3D theatre
- Permanent exhibitions:** ***The Olympic Movement***, dedicated to the history and origins of the Olympic Movement, and the ***Athletes and the Games***, fully devoted to the Olympic Games and the exploits of the well-known or lesser well-known athletes who have left their marks on Olympic competitions
Stamp and coin exhibitions
A garden full of greenery and hundred-year-old trees on the edge of the quay by a monumental fountain. There, the greatest contemporary artists have displayed, in bronze, marble and steel, their interpretation of sport, the athlete and the Olympic ideals. These include Arnoldi, Berrocal, Botero, Calder, Chillida, Folon, Graham, Niki de Saint Phalle, Tàpies and Mitoraj

Temporary exhibitions:

Three large exhibitions every two years

Personalities:

Numerous personalities and athletes have visited The Olympic Museum

The athletes include Katarina Witt, godmother of the Museum, Pelé, Jean-Claude Killy, Alberto Tomba, Sergey Bubka, Eddy Merckx, Leroy Burrell, Steffi Graf, Mark Spitz, Alexander Popov, David Douillet, Michel Platini, Marie-Jo Perrec, Hicham El Guerrouj, Philippe Candeloro, Simon Ammann, *Alinghi's* crew, Roger Federer, sailors Olivier de Kersauson and Stève Ravussin, and the two hot-air balloon pilots, Bertrand Piccard and Brian Jones

Many famous artists' work has been exhibited at the Museum, including that of Miró, Andy Warhol, Etienne Delessert, André Hambourg, Jean-René Sautour-Gaillard, Hans Erni, Antoni Tapiès, Emili Ermengol and Burton Morris.

A few figures:

Since its opening in 1993, The Olympic Museum has organised:

- 125 temporary exhibitions
- about 30 external exhibitions or substantial loans per year
- about 10 mobile exhibitions every year

In 2001, its three permanent exhibition areas were entirely rethought out and recreated

It has also played a part in no fewer than 25,000 public and private events, including:

- 11 Olympic Collectors' World Fairs
- 27 Olympic Weeks
- more than 60 symposiums, talks and international seminars linked with Olympism
- 35 official IOC ceremonies
- 120 public lectures and debates
- 121 classical music concerts, including two world premieres

Visitor statistics:

The Museum received about 200,000 visitors each year, which includes 25-30,000 school children. Fifty per cent of visitors are non-Swiss residents

It is the fourth ranked Museum in Switzerland

In Switzerland, one person out of four has already visited and comes back on average very four years. In surveys, it is cited spontaneously by one person out of three

Opening times:

From February to October 2008: daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Closed on 25 December and 1 January

From November to March: Tuesday - Sunday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Open Easter Monday

In 2008, open exceptionally on Mondays until 27 October

Entrance fees:

Individuals

Adults (over 17)	CHF	15
Children (aged from 6 to 16)	CHF	10
Children (under 6)	free	
Senior citizens, students, unemployed people, military personnel	CHF	10

Entrance fees: **Groups (10 persons & above)**

Adults (over 17)	CHF	13
Children (aged from 6 to 16)	CHF	6
Senior citizens, students, unemployed people, military personnel	CHF	8
Families (max. two adults and two children under 16)	CHF	35
Adults accompanying school groups: free for one person with up to 19 children, free for two persons with up to 29 children, free for three person with up to 39, and so forth		
Guided tours on reservation (max. 20 persons)	CHF	120
Audio guides	CHF	3

Human

resources:

The Olympic Museum has about 100 staff, working both full-time and part-time

Access:

By the Lake side as far as the Olympic fountain, then through the Olympic Park, either on foot or up the escalator
 Car parking facilities: "Navigation" (800m) and the "Beau-Rivage Palace"
 Coach parking in front of the fountain
 Bus n° 2: Croix-d'Ouchy or Navigation stops, bus n° 4: Montchoisi stop
 Bus n° 8: Musée Olympique stop
 Wheelchair access to all areas