

# EROTIC MUSEUM

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## WELCOME TO THE MEB, THE MOST EXCITING MUSEUM IN BARCELONA.

Right in the heart of one of the most beautiful and visited cities in the world, the **Erotic Museum of Barcelona (MEB)** is one of the most emblematic spots of the city. Unique in Spain, the Most Exciting Museum in Barcelona shares the rich culture of eroticism through entertainment and leisure.

The sexy world of Hindu Kama Sutra, erotic art banned in Japan, the origins of Spanish erotic cinema, the history of erotic art through the eyes of the great masters of painting and the most astonishing sexual records ... An exciting trip to the world of eroticism and its representation in art through more than 800 pieces which make up the collection.

A historical-cultural tour on the influence of eroticism in man since the dawn of time.

### Our mission:

Open to the public and to the service of society, we intend to acquire, preserve, study, exhibit and spread the culture of eroticism as tangible and intangible heritage of mankind and its environment aiming for study, education and enjoyment.

### Our museum:

The MEB is a museum of history of eroticism from the beginning of time to the present day. It offers society a historical and cultural tour on the influence of eroticism in man from prehistoric times to the current era.

### Our goal:

Strengthening our extraordinary ability as a transmitter of ideas and knowledge to contribute to education of society and for our mission to be carried out. Sharing the rich culture of eroticism through entertainment and fun.

### Our aspiration:

To become a focal point not only at national level but at European and international level to promote the dissemination of erotic art in the world and ensure the safeguarding of erotic cultural heritage.



## PERMANENT COLLECTION - ROOMS



### ANCIENT CIVILISATIONS:

Pieces of rock art from the Upper Paleolithic and Ancient Egypt, Roman oil lamps with erotic reliefs and reproductions of some of the frescoes found in the streets and houses of Pompeii. The city where people experimented love, passion and eroticism with no taboos. The museum also has a collection of illustrations from the artist Antoni Miró reproducing pornographic scenes found on ceramic pieces from Ancient Greece.



### JAPAN:

Shunga engravings with sexual scenes including the most varied actors from the Japanese society (Eighteenth century – Nineteenth century). Great collection of the renowned Netsuke, pieces carved in bone reproducing sexual positions.



### CHINA:

Ancient Chinese porcelain belonging to the Qing Dynasty (1664 – 1911).

### INDIA:

Sculptures and carvings in wood and stone from the eighteenth century representing Kama Sutra positions, the Kama Sutra being the ancient Hindu text on sexual behaviour. Great collection of illustrations of the Ananga Ranga, the Hindu handbook on the arts of love, erogenous zones, the art of the preliminaries, 64 different positions to make love...

### IMPERIAL RUSSIA:

The legends of Rasputin (1869 – 1916) and Catherine the Great (1729-1796). Erotic porcelain figures (from 1802).



### THAILAND AND BALI:

Collection of phalli. Popular craftsmanship (1970-2005).

### ÁFRICA:

Carvings, engravings and masks from tribes in Nigeria, Congo and Cameroon (from seventeenth century).



### PRE-COLUMBIAN CERAMICS:

Popular craftsmanship of erotic images and representations (sixteenth century).

### ELECTRIC VIBRATORS:

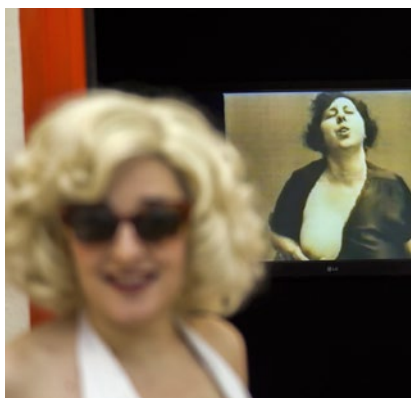
Collection from the 1910's.



#### EROTICISM IN EUROPE IN THE NINETEENTH AND TWENTIETH CENTURIES:

Itinerary through the history of European erotic illustration from the nineteenth to the twentieth century.

- Engravings by Franz von Bayros (nineteenth century).
- French erotic vintage postcards (1870-1930) and photographs of the spanking gender (nineteenth century).
- Series of erotic images from 1900 to the end of World War I.
- Erotic watercolours. Peter Fendi (1796-1842).



#### EROTIC SPANISH CINEMA:

The beginnings of erotic Spanish cinema are: "El Confesor" (The Confessor), "El Ministro" (The Minister) and "El Consultorio de Señoras" (The Ladies' Medical Centre), three short films commissioned by King Alfonso XIII of Borbón (1886-1931), great-grandfather of current Spanish King Felipe VI, shot in Barcelona's Chinatown during the 1920's. These short films are the only ones of these characteristics which are kept in good conditions since most of them were destroyed by Franco's regime.

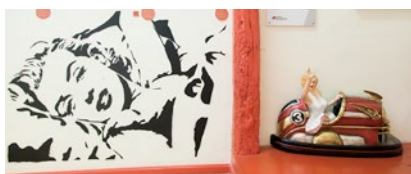
#### EROTICISM AND GREAT MASTERS OF PAINTING:

In this Secret Room we see part of the history of erotic art with reproductions of some of the great masters of painting on a passionate journey from XV to XX Century.



#### EROTIC PICASSO:

"Art is not chaste, it should be forbidden to ignorant innocents. Never get those who are not sufficiently prepared in touch with it. Yes, art is dangerous. If it is chaste, it is no art". Pablo Picasso (1881-1973). Room dedicated to Malaga's genius and the eroticism, one of the key issues of his artistic work. In the exhibition, two original engravings of Suite 347.



#### PIN UP CULTURE AND MARILYN MONROE:

History of PIN UP culture (late nineteenth century – early twentieth century) and collection of the first erotic magazines banned in Europe. On display, the first issue of "Playboy" (1953) with the famous Marilyn Monroe's nude ("Golden Dreams" by Tom Kelly).

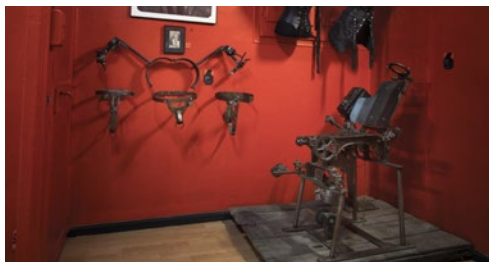


#### EROTIC DALÍ:

"The only thing the world will never get tired of is exaggeration", said Salvador Dalí (1904-1989). Room dedicated to one of the most prolific and erotic artists of the twentieth century. In the exhibition, a series of limited edition glazed porcelain ("The Seven Arts" - 1980) and the engraving "Venus and Love" (1971).

#### WORLD'S SEXUAL RECORDS:

The most amazing sexual and erotic records in history.

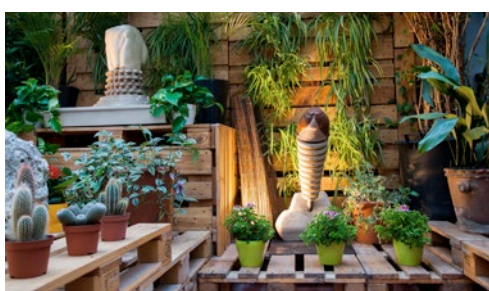


#### RED ROOM:

Journey through the history of Fetishism and Sadoomasochism. Erotic photographs of Gary & Pierre Silva and Joe Hamar. On permanent display, "The pleasure chair" (Yves Fedou, 1998).

#### CONTEMPORARY ART:

Works of contemporary authors such as Richard Fand. On display, "The Erotic Family" (in collaboration with Basilica Perfume Gallery -2014) and "Who cares if you come from heaven or hell? Oh, Beauty!" (Archangel Soul -2013).



## SPACES

#### THE MEB'S EROTIC GARDEN:

New benchmark space in the city where trends are shown and experiences created. A secret garden, the best place to relax having a drink or enjoy temporary exhibitions and multiple scheduled activities - from concerts to literary gatherings.



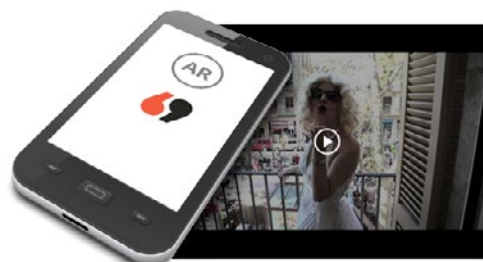
## INNOVATION

#### AUGMENTED REALITY:





The MEB wishes to offer new interactive experiences to visitors, the reason why it has its own Augmented Reality app. Visitors can interact with impressive and funny 3D models in the Room dedicated to the most amazing sexual Records.





#### TOURS GUIDED BY MEB'S MARILYN MONROE:

The MEB offers without the slightest doubt the most original guided tours in Barcelona. And the fact is that Marilyn Monroe is not a common guide ...



## SERVICES:

-  Audio guided visit.
-  Cloakroom
-  Shop
-  Augmented Reality

-  Coffee and drinks
-  Accessible tourism
-  Free Wi-Fi Internet connection
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