

## **FASHION IN MOTION: Inspired by Gabrielle Chanel**

Friday 17 November, 15:00, 17:00 & 20:00 @V and A/#FashionInMotion

Free tickets available on Tuesday 7 November at 10am

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To coincide with the V&A's exhibition *Gabrielle Chanel: Fashion Manifesto*, V&A Fashion in Motion will present *Inspired by Gabrielle Chanel*. On Friday 17 November three free presentations will showcase a unique selection of outfits created by 2<sup>nd</sup> year students of the Central Saint Martins BA Fashion Design Womenswear course, in response to one of the 20<sup>th</sup> century's most influential designers.

The students have taken inspiration from French couturière, Gabrielle 'Coco' Chanel's pioneering approach to fashion design, which paved the way for a new elegance and continues to influence the way women dress today. A selection of 22 of these outfits inspired by Gabrielle Chanel's innovative approach to fabric, silhouette and construction have been chosen to be displayed as part of the V&A Fashion in Motion programme.

Fashion in Motion: Inspired by Gabrielle Chanel is brought to you as part of the Fashion in Motion series. Featuring some of the greatest fashion designers of our time, Fashion in Motion makes the live catwalk experience accessible to a wide audience, against the backdrop of the V&A's unique Raphael Gallery.

For further PRESS information about Fashion in Motion: Inspired by Gabrielle Chanel, please contact press.office@vam.ac.uk/ +44 (0)20 7942 2502 (not for publication). A selection of press images is available to download free of charge from pressimages.vam.ac.uk

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## **About Fashion in Motion**

For over 20 years the V&A's Fashion in Motion series has brought free-to-attend catwalk shows to the public, enabling anyone to take a seat on the front row. The only fashion series of its kind, it allows people to experience a professional fashion event in the truly unique setting of the museum. Previous designers featured in the series include Alexander McQueen, Ashish, Christian Lacroix, Harris Reed, Christopher Raeburn, Erdem, Gareth Pugh, Giles Deacon, Grace Wales Bonner, Holly Fulton, Jean Paul Gaultier, Jenny Packham, Kansai Yamamoto, Yohji Yamamoto, Kenzo, Ma Ke, Missoni, Molly Goddard, Roksanda Ilincic and Vivienne Westwood, among other global names in fashion.

## Fashion at the V&A

The V&A's fashion collection is designated as the UK's National Collection and is one of the largest and most comprehensive collections of dress in the world. Many of the pieces in the V&A's fashion collection are unique to the V&A and most of the iconic looks of the last four centuries are represented. The collections have been a source of inspiration for numerous fashion designers from Zandra Rhodes to the late Alexander McQueen, as well as students and researchers.