

The Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera Exhibition

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World-class exhibitions come and go. They spotlight the diversity in the art realm and have the ability to inspire us. We get to see what we might not have access to otherwise. Seeing a special exhibit is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity that should not be missed--especially when we have one right here in the Valley. Get a rare opportunity to see the most famous paintings by the legendary art master of the 20th century, Frida Kahlo. The iconic self-portrait painter's art will have a five-month residency in Phoenix at the Heard Museum.

Known for her unique unibrow and ornamentation in her hair, Kahlo began painting after she was involved in an accident on a school bus. While being immobile, she began painting to occupy her time. She married Diego Rivera twice in 1929 and 1940. Rivera, also an artist whose work granted him the title of being a muralist. The exhibit will feature more than 30 works of art. You can see her iconic paintings from "Diego on My Mind," "Self-Portrait with Monkeys" and "Calla Lily Vendor." Seventy photographs will also be on view. The photos are taken by Kahlo's father Guillermo Kahlo, Lola Alvarez Bravo and Edward Weston. The photographs highlight both the artists' lives and give viewers a glimpse into the couples uproarious relationship.



The exhibition also has a supplemental interactive experience for the kids. It's Your Turn: Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera features various activities, like writing a poem or letter. You can even color and create a vintage paper doll. Create a sunflower that you can take home along with a wish or a promise.

This limited viewing is a rarity. It is brought to Phoenix through the sponsorship of Bank of America. The Jacques and Natasha Gelman Collection of Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera will be in the Virginia G. Piper Charitable Trust Grand Gallery.

The Heard Museum in Phoenix is the only museum to host the exhibition for its only stop in the US. The exhibit will be on display through August 20, 2017. Tickets are \$7 to view this exhibition along with general admission fee. For more information, visit the Heard Museum Web site heard.org or call 602.252.8840.