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Hats Off: Highlights from the NUMU Permanent History Collection

In the spirit of celebrating our local history and its connection to global customs, trends and cultural production, New Museum Los Gatos is proud to present Hats Off: Highlights from the NUMU Permanent History Collection.

Over the years NUMU has amassed a collection of head coverings, fashion and ceremonial hats in an effort to preserve our shared history. In collaboration with Wayne Wichern Millinery and History San Jose, Hats Off will feature highlights from several hat collections and explore the history of headwear and its place in our culture.

In today’s world of mass production, look into the rare world of a millinery studio. Examine how hats are made, learn about the styles, functions and symbolism of hats and see the tools of the trade. Associated exhibit programming will include artist talks and hat making demos.

New Museum Los Gatos (NUMU) is located at the Los Gatos Civic Center in downtown Los Gatos. Engaging community at the intersection of art, history and education through innovative, locally connected and globally relevant exhibits, programs and experiences.

Hats Off is made possible by the generous support of our partners, lenders and sponsors: The Town of Los Gatos, Wayne Wichern Millinery, Teri Lyn, Jean Cannon, History San Jose, and Donors to NUMU’s Annual Campaign.

Museum Hours: Wednesday 1pm-5pm, Thursday 11am-8pm, and Friday - Sunday 11am-5pm. Admission is $9 and free for members and visitors under 18 years of age.