

Bal Harbour's Fashion Project Returns This October

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exhibits explore the history of fashion and Bal Harbour Shops.

The next two can't miss

It's a big year for Bal Harbour! The luxury mall celebrates its 50th birthday and to celebrate, Fashion Project, a series of cultural programs at the mall, is launching 50 + 50: A Century of Fashion, which will look at the past 100 years of fashion history, design, and consumption. Two phases of Fashion Project were released earlier this year, and the next

two explore "The Past" and "The Anniversary."

To recap, the first phase, dubbed "The Exhibition," focused on fashion exploration (think remote control dresses) and the second phase, "Morphing," explored new ways to use those same fashion pieces.

So then the next exhibit, "The Past" explores pivotal moments in fashion over the past 50 years (from 1915 to 1965) to answer the question, "Why does the past matter?" 1915 and 1965 are very different periods in fashion history (Victorial blouses vs. the dawn of bellbottoms), so it's going to be an interesting conversation. This exhibit will run from October 8th through November 5th.

"The Anniversary," which launches on November 12th and will run through January 20th, 2016, celebrates; you guessed it, the past 50 years of Bal Harbour, which is important. It was the first all-luxury fashion center to be built, let alone with an outdoor courtyard filled with foliate, so this exhibit will showcase examples of fashion design inspired by nature.

Fashion Project's 50 + 50: A Century of Fashion culminates with a four-day film festival, which will feature film screenings and talks that explore cinema's fascination with dress.