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One million times its actual size, sculpted in glass

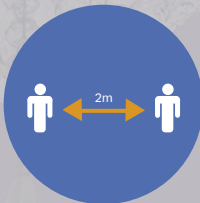
This stunning sculpture celebrates the remarkable story of the Oxford University researchers and their achievements in helping stop the spread of COVID-19.

We're all living this history in the making. Come and see the vaccine up close – and share your thoughts with us.

Single nanoparticle of Oxford AstraZeneca vaccine sculpted in glass © Luke Jerram



Wear your face covering



Keep a safe distance



Sanitise your hands



Please take photos (no flash)



No public toilets in the Museum

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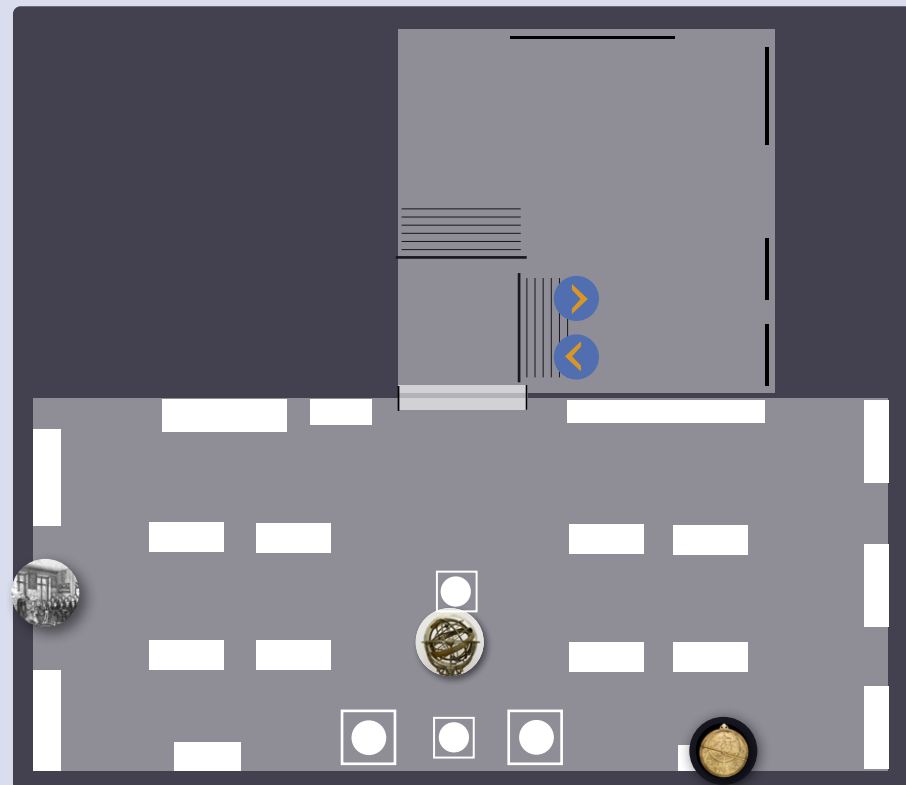


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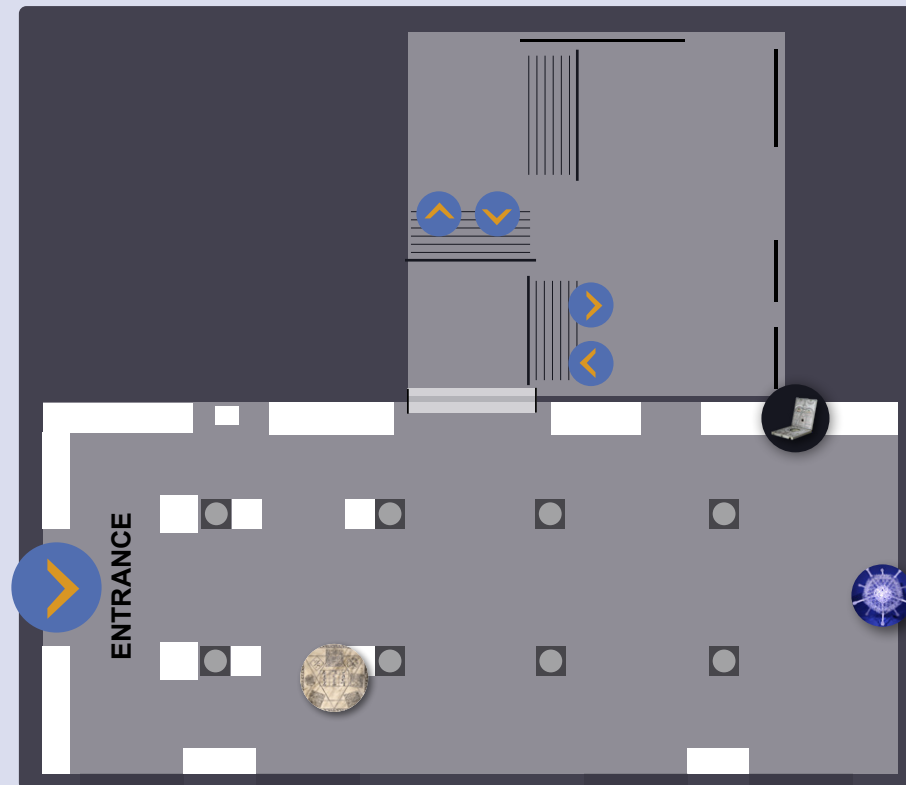
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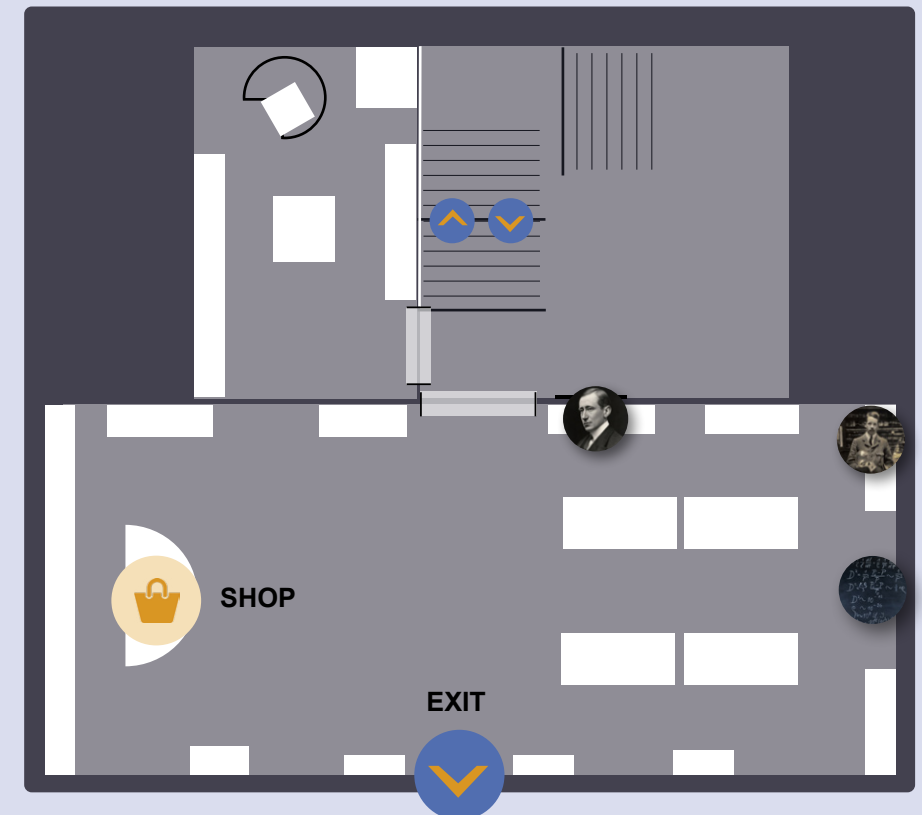
TOP GALLERY



ENTRANCE GALLERY



BASEMENT GALLERY



A remarkable building

You're standing in the world's first purpose-built public museum, completed in 1683 to display the Ashmolean collection. We opened here in 1924 as the History of Science Museum.



Fit for a Queen

Pick up an astrolabe and you hold the universe in your hand. Using the position of the sun and stars in our moving universe, astrolabes tell the time, do maths — even predict the future. This one was made in 1559 for Queen Elizabeth I.



Model Universe for a Wizard Earl

Enter the Top Gallery and you can't miss our model universe: the Armillary sphere — a stylish astronomical instrument with a tale to tell. Discover its gifted owner, the Wizard Earl, suspect in England's most notorious treason — the 1605 Gunpowder plot.



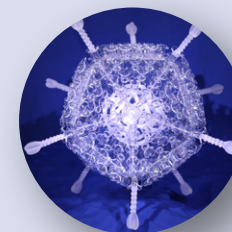
Talking to angels

This marble slab is an early copy of a wooden tablet made by John Dee in 1582. He used it to help explore the natural world by talking with angels.



Making time

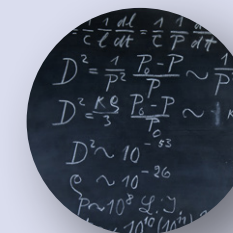
Before clocks and smartphones, we told the time using devices and dials to read the rhythm of the universe. Take a time trail through our founder's fascinating collection.



The beauty of science captured in art

Experience a single nanoparticle of the Oxford AstraZeneca vaccine, one million times its actual size, sculpted in glass. A stunning celebration of Oxford University researchers' remarkable achievements which are helping stop the spread of COVID-19.

Come and add your voice to this living archive of history in the making.



Einstein's blackboard

In 1931 Einstein visited Oxford and used this very blackboard to explain the age and size of the universe in his lecture. A must-see glimpse into the mind of a genius.



Wireless World

Marconi's ingenious inventions gave birth to a revolution: wireless technology. Discover how microwaves and modern broadcasting transformed our world.



The periodic table

Discover Henry Moseley's pioneering new approach to ordering the periodic table — and how we still use it today.



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