**PICKING UP THE THREADS. FASHION EXHIBITION TOUR IN POLAND, ŁÓDŹ**

**Monday & Tuesday, July 7-8, 2025**

**Central Museum of Textiles in Łódź**, ul. Piotrkowska 282, 93-034 Łódź

**Central Museum of Textiles in Łódź in association with ICOM Costume and ICOM Poland invites you to ‘**PICKING UP THE THREADS. FASHION EXHIBITION TOUR IN POLAND’ in ŁÓDŹ, 7-8 July 2025.

Join us in Poland to discover **Łódź** – a key centre of Polish fashion and the textile industry, as well as the home of the renowned **Feature Film Studio**, which earned the city the nickname **"HollyŁódź"**.
We invite you to explore three fashion exhibitions at the **Central Museum of Textiles in Łódź**, and an additional exhibition on the history of Polish cinema at the **National Centre for Film Culture (NCKF)**, featuring an extensive selection of film costumes.

**PROGRAM**

**DAY 1 Monday, 7 July, 2025**

**Central Museum of Textiles in Łódź**
(**Address:** ul. Piotrkowska 282, 93-034 Łódź, Poland; **Website:** [www.cmwl.pl?locale=en](https://www.cmwl.pl?locale=en)

* **12:30** – Welcome at the museum entrance
* **13:00–14:30** – Guided tour of the exhibition **"Arkadius. Powerful Emotions. Confrontations"** with designer **Arkadiusz Weremczuk ("Arkadius")** and curator **Marcin Różyc.** The exhibition presents the work of Arkadius, a Polish fashion designer active in London in the early 2000s, and one of the most influential Polish designers of the post-communist transformation era. It explores themes of identity, emotion, and political messaging in fashion.
* **14:30–16:00** – Lunch break (at participants’ own expense)
* **16:00–17:30** – Guided tour of the permanent exhibition **"CITY – FASHION – MACHINE"**,a historical overview of the textile industry in Łódź and its influence on urban development. The exhibition shows how clothing production evolved from craft to industrial scale.
* **17:30-18:30** – Coffee break at the museum
* **18:30** – Transfer and visit to the studio of contemporary fashion designer **Tomasz Armada** (**Address:** ul. Przędzalniana 67, 90-347 Łódź, Poland; **Website:** <https://www.tomaszarmada.com/>)

**DAY 2 Tuesday, 8 July, 2025**

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* **10:00-10:30** – Presentation of **Machines in Motion**, including six running looms from the turn of the 19th and 20th century and two looms from the 1970s.
* **10:30–12:00** – Guided tour of the exhibition **"The Fashion System: Clothes in Strategies of Violence and Survival Tactics in the Łódź Ghetto"** with curator **Karolina Sulej.**
* **12:00–13:30** – Networking reception at the museum
* **13:00** – Transfer to the **National Centre for Film Culture (NCKF)** (**Address:** ul. Targowa 1/3, 90-022 Łódź, Poland, **Website:** [ec1lodz.pl/narodowe-centrum-kultury-filmowej](https://ec1lodz.pl/narodowe-centrum-kultury-filmowej/))
* **14:00–15:00** – Guided tour of the exhibition **"Cinema Polonia"** at the **NCKF**, presenting the history of Polish cinema through a wide selection of original costumes and multimedia content

**Free event, register here**

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**Event free of charge upon registration only. Please note:**
All exhibition visits are **free of charge**, but participants are responsible for **their own meals and transportation** (except welcome coffee and networking reception).
Capacity is limited – **please register only if you are certain to attend**. If you are unable to participate, kindly notify us as soon as possible.

**General information**

**Transportation**

**Trains:**

For participants coming from **Kraków**, we recommend arriving one day earlier. There are direct Intercity train connections from **Kraków Główny** to **Łódź Kaliska** or **Łódź Widzew** stations.

On **Sunday**, we suggest:

* Train departing at **14:17**, arriving at **17:15** at **Łódź Widzew**
* Or train departing at **15:48**, arriving at **19:06** at **Łódź Kaliska**

On **Monday**, we recommend:

* Train departing at **9:22**, arriving at **12:14** at **Łódź Kaliska**

For those coming from **Warsaw**, there are many trains from **Warszawa Centralna** to **Łódź Fabryczna**. We suggest the following:

* Regional trains at **8:18** (arrival 9:49) and **9:48** (arrival 11:22)
* Intercity train at **9:14** (arrival 10:19)

On **Tuesday afternoon**, return trains from **Łódź Fabryczna** to **Warszawa Centralna** include regional trains departing at **15:32** and **16:34**, with other options available until **21:34**.

There are also two Intercity trains from **Łódź Kaliska** to **Kraków Główny**, departing at **15:52** and **19:26**.

**Attention:** Łódź has **three different railway stations**: Łódź Fabryczna, Łódź Kaliska, and Łódź Widzew. They are on **different routes**, so please double-check your train connections carefully to avoid confusion.

**Public transport in Łódź**

Public transport from any railway station to the **Central Museum of Textiles** takes about **30 minutes**. The **National Centre for Film Culture (NCKF)** is located near **Łódź Fabryczna** station.

**To the Central Museum of Textiles (Piotrkowska 282)**

* From Łódź Fabryczna:
Tram 8, 10, or 11 → Piotrkowska Centrum (~15 min), then 5 min walk.
Taxi: ~15 min, ~25 PLN.
* From Łódź Kaliska:
Tram 2, 3, 6, or 10 → Piotrkowska Centrum (~10–12 min), then 5 min walk.
Taxi: ~10–15 min, ~20 PLN.

To the National Centre for Film Culture (Targowa 1/3)

* From Łódź Fabryczna:
5 min walk (NCKF is next to the station).
* From Łódź Kaliska:
Tram 8 or 10 → Łódź Fabryczna (~15 min), then 5 min walk.
Taxi: ~15 min, ~30 PLN.