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Popular bhangra exhibition to celebrate extension with full day of activities for families

(VANCOUVER, BC) — Following recognition by CBC’s Culture Days for its contribution to the community, the Museum of Vancouver is pleased to announce an extension of its unique, community-based exhibition, *Bhangra.me: Vancouver’s Bhangra Story*. To celebrate, the MOV will host a unique family-oriented day of interactive exhibition programming, food, and performances on Saturday, October 22, from 10am-4pm.

MOV’s family-oriented “Not Just Bhangra” festivities will appeal to all ages, featuring a Special Senior’s Lounge, photobooth, and guided mini-tours of *Bhangra.me* by co-curator Naveen Girn and board members from VIBC.

“The day’s activities will provide an opportunity that we seldom have—to bring grandparents and grandchildren, Bhangra professionals and amateurs, all in the same space talking, learning and exploring the culture of Bhangra,” says Manpal Rana, a performer, editor of *Chakdey.com* and member of VIBC’s Community Engagement Committee.

Lunch is included with admission, and will be provided by [Sutra Vancouver](#); admission includes access to the MOV’s history galleries, and its newest exhibition, [Neon Vancouver | Ugly Vancouver](#).

Space is limited, so advance purchase strongly encouraged. Tickets are online at <http://notjustbhanga.eventbrite.com>.

Bhangra.me tells a vibrant Canadian story as it traces the major moments in the local bhangra scene. In addition to early costumes, photos, rare videos and albums, the exhibition features interviews and memorabilia from international artists Jazzy B, Harbhajan Mann, Delhi 2 Dublin, En Karma, and many more.

Bhangra.me is co-presented by the MOV and the Vancouver International Bhangra Celebration Society. It was curated by the MOV’s Curator of Contemporary Issues, Viviane Gosselin, and Guest Curator, Naveen Girn. Designed by local designers, Propellor Studio, the exhibition was created from original interviews, archival video footage, personal photo albums, community consultations, and support from Vancouver’s bhangra community. Over 55 interviews and 100 hours of documentary footage were compiled for the exhibition.

Originally set to close October 23, *Bhangra.me* will now be open until January 1, 2012.

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