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Last Chance to See Hollywood Costumes at the Arts Center

Fashion and Film: Period Costumes for the Screen leaves July 12, 2008

(PUEBLO) Fashion in Film: Period Costumes for the Screen highlights 36 original costumes from popular period movies—many recognized by the Motion Picture Academy for costume design. This one-of-a-kind exhibit, on display at the Sangre de Cristo Arts Center, will be closing on July 12 and leaving Pueblo. This is your last chance to see this exquisite taste of Hollywood.

The featured costumes were created for beautiful films by award winning directors and filmmakers, and elegantly worn by the likes of Madonna, Anjelica Huston, Drew Barrymore and Gwyneth Paltrow. Some of the costumes featured are from *Titanic*, *Pride and Prejudice*, *Evita*, *Out of Africa*, *Gosford Park*, and *Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom*.

All featured costumes were created for period productions, from the 16th to the middle of the 20th centuries. Some costumes are from characters based on real-life history such as Elizabeth I, Thomas Jefferson and Eva Peron. Other costumes come from classic fictional characters, like *Sense and Sensibility*, *Hamlet* and *Murder on the Orient Express*. These amazingly beautiful pieces showcase detailed beadwork and delicate materials. Costumes include evening wear, day wear, wedding dresses, and fanciful outfits like the *Cinderella* character's dress in *Ever After* and the Maharajah's turban and tunic in *Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom*.

When the costumes, which originated with the London-based costume-house CosProp, arrived in Pueblo, each costume was delivered on a mannequin in a large wooden crate. The costumes also came with their own expert – Nancy Lawson. Lawson arrived to fluff and steam all of the pieces. She also shared her wealth of knowledge about the costumes, which we recorded for podcast.

These information podcasts are available on iPods in the gallery or for download on the Arts center's web site: www.sd-arts.org/podcasts.html. Lawson shares the evolution of fashion showcased in the costumes, behind-the-scenes information on the films featured, and through some of fashion's most memorable moments.

Admission to the Arts Center is \$4 for adults and \$3 for children and military. Members of the Arts Center to include Studio 210 members, receive free admission. For more information, please call 719-295-7200, stop by the Arts Center located at 210 N. Santa Fe Ave., just off of I-25, exit 98b, or visit us online at sd-arts.org.

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