

# Must-See Exhibition 'Machu Picchu and the Golden Empires of Peru' Is Bringing 134 Priceless Artefacts to Australia

The Australian Museum in Sydney is hosting the showcase's Aussie-exclusive season, which features jewels, masks and other treasures, from November 2024.

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Move over Egypt: this summer, visiting the Australian Museum means venturing to South America. After dedicating the end of 2023 and beginning of 2024 to blockbuster exhibition *Ramses and the Gold of the Pharaohs*, the Sydney institution is wrapping up this year and starting 2025 with another massive must-see blast from the past. In an Aussie-exclusive season, *Machu Picchu and the Golden Empires of Peru* will display 134 priceless artefacts and head back over 3000 years.

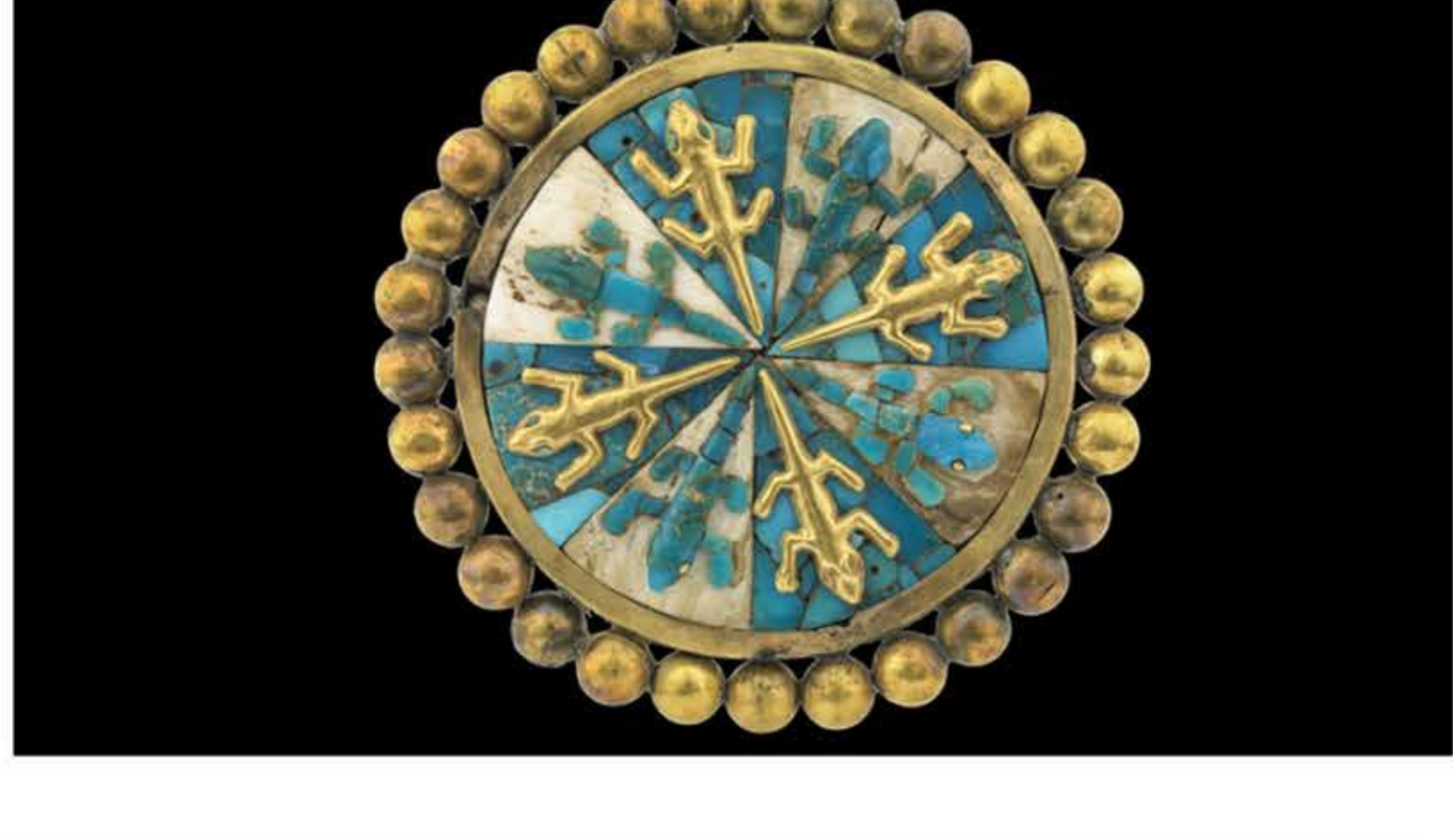
When it opens on Saturday, November 23, 2024, this historical showcase from Peru's Museo Larco and Museo de Sitio Manuel Chavez Ballon will feature jewels, masks and other treasures, some of which have been found in royal tombs. As the name makes plain, gold is a focus. In fact, *Machu Picchu and the Golden Empires of Peru* boasts the most-opulent collection of Andean gold that's ever left Peru.



"I'm delighted that the Australian Museum will be hosting this exhibition highlighting the rich history and culture of ancient Peru, enabling the people of NSW and beyond to experience Machu Picchu and all our country has to offer," added Consul-General of Peru Mr José Alberto Ortiz.

"Through the representation and interpretation of the myths and rituals of Andean civilisations and their rediscovery and reappraisal in the 21st century, it seems possible to reconstruct the foundational images of modern Peru."

"I know the public will be captivated by our unique culture dating back more than 3000 years and will be fascinated by the stories of five empires which are still present in our country today," Ortiz continued.



Sydney is just the fourth place in the world to welcome *Machu Picchu and the Golden Empires of Peru*, after the exhibition's stops in Boca Raton in the US, Paris in France and Milan in Italy.

Expect the Australian season to be busy, given the nation's love of historical exhibitions at the Australian Museum — breaking attendance records, *Ramses and the Gold of the Pharaohs*, which was also produced by Neon Global, sold more than 508,000 tickets.



*Machu Picchu and the Golden Empires of Peru* opens at the Australian Museum, 1 William Street, Sydney, from Saturday, November 23, 2024 — head to [the exhibition website](#) for further details, and tickets from Tuesday, October 8, 2024.

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