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MUSEO SOUMAYA

Mexico City, Mexico

Named for the late wife of its millionaire owner Carlos Slim, the Museo Soumaya is the shimmering highlight in Mexico City's vast art gallery collection.

While it's predominantly recognizable for its unique and striking architecture, the art collections housed in the jaw-dropping buildings that make up this museum are just as extraordinary. Iconic from the moment it was opened in 1994, Museo Soumaya is actually a catch all term for two separate buildings both designed by famed architect Fernando Romero.

In total, Museo Soumaya houses a large private collection of over 66,000 pieces of art which range from Mesoamerica to the modern day. Having said that, if you're looking for cutting edge modern art, you'd be better off heading to some galleries in La Roma! Of the 66,000 pieces, which have an alleged value of over \$700 million, the majority are European works from the 15th-20th centuries, including several stand-out pieces from Old Masters, French artist Auguste Rodin and more present-day artists like Dalí.¹

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¹ <https://theculturetrip.com/north-america/mexico/articles/why-museo-soumaya-is-a-mexico-city-must-see/>