

**MEDIA RELEASE**



**Oyez! Oyez! Madame Tussauds London will be safely delivered of a future  
Duchess...**

*Meghan Markle figure to be revealed ahead of spring wedding at Madame Tussauds London  
and New York*

**21 March 2018:** Today, Madame Tussauds London announced it will be welcoming a new arrival to the world famous attraction – the soon to be royal bride, Meghan Markle.

Giving Meghan the royal welcome she deserves, the official notice of Ms Markle's imminent arrival was placed on a golden easel outside Buckingham Palace, confirming the news she will join the rest of the Royal Family at the attraction in time for her upcoming nuptials to Prince Harry.

Among the crowd that gathered to celebrate the news was Royalist and self-proclaimed 'unofficial' Town Crier, Anthony Appleton. The infamous 81 year old announced the glad tidings with a bell and a bellow.

With the finished figure due to be unveiled in early May the details, including Her Royal Likeness' chosen outfit and stance, remain a tightly guarded secret. The choice will reflect an iconic moment in Meghan's royal journey so far and fans will have to keep their eyes peeled.

Madame Tussauds London's General Manager Edward Fuller, said: "Excitement for the royal couple's wedding reaches across the globe so it will come as no surprise that we've been secretly working away on a Meghan Markle figure since news of the royal engagement broke.

"It's clear that the public has already taken Meghan to their hearts. One half of arguably the most famous couple in the world right now she's already made her own mark as a humanitarian and role model. We're excited to give guests the chance to 'meet' her in attraction later this year."

The news of Meghan's upcoming arrival marks the start of a right royal summer of celebrations at Madame Tussauds London with further regal announcements expected in the coming weeks.

Meanwhile, as excitement for the wedding continues to build across the Atlantic, Madame Tussauds New York will also announce it is set to launch its own Meghan Markle figure this summer – marking the first time a U.S. citizen will join the British Royal Family in 80 years.

Ticket prices for Madame Tussauds London start from £29. To pre-book online, visit [www.madame-tussauds.com/London](http://www.madame-tussauds.com/London).

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- Madame Tussauds has attractions in London, New York, Las Vegas, Washington DC, San Francisco, Amsterdam, Shanghai, Hong Kong, Tokyo, Wuhan, Beijing, Berlin, Hollywood, Bangkok, Vienna, Blackpool, Sydney, Singapore, Orlando, Chongqing, Istanbul, Nashville and Delhi with experiences built around fame and celebrity. In London, guests can get up close and personal with more than 300 lifelike wax figures of today's biggest stars; take a time-travelling taxi ride through 400 years of amazing London history; enjoy the exclusive Marvel Super Heroes 4D movie experience; and come face-to-face with 18 of the biggest heroes and villains from the *Star Wars* universe in 12 scenes recreating some of the most iconic moments in film history.
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