

## HERITAGE SCENT DESIGN BRIEF





This worksheet is part of a sequence of worksheets to assist the development and creation of a heritage scent for the use of olfactory storytelling.

## PART 1 Heritage Scent Design Brief

PART 2 Heritage Scent Development Report

PART 1 The Heritage Scent Design Brief is a form that assists cultural heritage professionals, historians, and researchers in the process of making a scent for the use of olfactory storytelling. It outlines all the information necessary for a scent designer/perfumer to make a scent interpretation intended for the use of olfactory storytelling.

This document is to be filled out by the cultural heritage professional, historian, or researcher who is co-developing/commissioning the scent for its use. A Heritage Scent Design Brief should be created for *every heritage scent created*, regardless if the smell is among several.

Note: This document may be adapted for individual use.

## **PROJECT DETAILS**

DESCRIPTION OF THE EXHIBITION/ PROJECT/EVENT:	
TITLE OF EXHIBITION/PROJECT/ EVENT FOR WHICH THE SMELL IS INTENDED:	
INSTITUTION:	
LOCATION:	
PROJECTED TEST TOUR DATE:	
PROJECTED OPENING DATE:	
TOTAL NUMBER OF SMELLS:	
SCENT DISTRIBUTION METHOD(S):	
PERSON OF CONTACT:	

## (HISTORICAL) BACKGROUND INFORMATION

<ol> <li>What artwork, artefact, text, or space is the smell representing or referring to?</li> <li>(where applicable, include a visual representation and description)</li> </ol>				
RESPONSE: [INSERT IMAGE/ARTWORK/ARTEFACT AND CAPTION HERE]				
2. How does the smell relate to the artwork, artefact, text, or space? (e.g. a detail in a painting, the inherent smell of an apothecary cabinet)  RESPONSE:				
3. Intended function of the smell (e.g. educational, emotional, crossmodal etc.): RESPONSE:				
4. How will the public engage with this smell/how is the smell presented and/or delivered? (e.g. on a blotter with a tour guide's verbal description)  RESPONSE:				

5. Context and/or (art) historical background: RESPONSE:								
INFORMATION ON INTENDED HERITAGE SCENT CREATION								
6. Hedonic tone (pleasant, neutral, unpleasant perception): Is the smell creation a malodour or a fragrance?¹On the scale below, choose the desired level of hedonic perception. Then include a couple of sentences that would help the scent designer understand why this tone was chosen in the 'Notes.'								
	SCORE	PERCEIVED HEDONIC TONE		SCORE	PERCEIVED HEDONIC TONE			
	+4	VERY PLEASANT		-1	MILDLY UNPLEASANT			
	+3	PLEASANT		-2	MODERATELY UNPLEASANT			
	+2	MODERATELY PLEASANT		-3	UNPLEASANT			
	+1	MILDLY PLEASANT		-4	VERY UNPLEASANT			
	0	NEUTRAL ODOUR/NO ODOUR						
NOTE:								
<ul><li>7. Proposed materials/notes for the smell creation:</li><li>a. Is this a single ingredient representation or composition?</li></ul>								
b. Proposed materials (e.g. cloves, rose):								

<sup>1</sup> For a detailed explanation of these categories, see The Olfactory Storytelling Toolkit section 2, chapter 1 on 'How to find the appropriate smells for olfactory storytelling.'



a. Course information.
c. Source information:
8. Creative liberty of perfumer (especially if using a historic recipe in #4): Indicate here how closely the perfumer should follow the materials listed above. You are welcome to circle one of the following indicators of authenticity below: <sup>2</sup> Materially Informed Reconstruction / Historically Informed Interpretation / Artistic Translation
RESPONSE:
9. Additional notes:
This heritage scent is proposed by:
NAME(S)
DATE
Next steps:  Provide a copy of this document to the scent designer along with Part 2: Heritage Scent
Development Report, to be filled out by the scent designer.
Plan a meeting with the involved scent designer where you review the document together.  Upon receiving the scents, make sure you receive (1) a completed <i>Part 2: Heritage Scent</i>
Development Report; and (2) the safety sheet.
Note: account time for at least one evaluation round.

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