

# *MADAME TUSSAUDS MUSEUM*



It was based in 1835  
Location London

**MARIA TUSSAUDS**  
(1761 — 1850)



Maria Tussauds a maiden name Groskholts, was born in Strasbourg, her mother worked as the housekeeper for doctor Phillip Curtis who was engaged in wax models. It trained Maria Tussauds in art on work with wax.

The first exhibition of wax works of Phillip Curtis took place in 1770 and had big success. In 1776 the exhibition took place in Pale-Royal in Paris. The following exhibition in du Tامل's boulevard in 1782 was the predecessor of the Office of horrors.

In 1777 Maria Tussauds creates the first wax figure (Voltaire), and then followed Jean-Jacques Rousseau, Benjamin Franklin. During the French revolution it made posthumous masks of a royal surname. After death in 1794 of Phillip Curtis his collection passes to Maria Tussauds.

In 1802 Maria Tussauds moves to London. Due to the Anglo-French war Maria Tussauds and her collection can't return to France and she was compelled to travel across Great Britain and Ireland. In 1835 the first constant exhibition on Baker Street in London was founded.



