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#### ABSTRACT

The museum and exhibition gallery's successful design depends on many aspects, particularly on the display method. The display method gives an impact on the decisions of the design. However, this study explores the method of display in the heritage museum and how it affects a visitor's experience. Malaysia's museums lack imagination and innovation in display methods. The display methods used are not appropriate corresponding to the current modern and technology era and only emphasize passive traditional display methods. Throughout the study, the questions arose were the methods and techniques used for the display, visitor's visit experience, and their most preferred type of display. Hence, the study was conducted to identify the types of display methods and investigate visitors' experience towards display methods in the Heritage Museum. In doing so, an on-site observation was held to identify the display's methods and technique on the selected Heritage Museum as a case study. Furthermore, the questionnaire was distributed to the past visitors of the case study museums, a total of one hundred and twenty-five respondents has completed the survey. Moreover, the respondents' data provided further evidence that the display methods affect a visitor's experience. Hopefully, this paper will give the client a better and more cost-effective financial planning, giving visitors the most explicit exhibition display methods, ambience, exploration, and wayfinding experience. Next, this paper might help students get some data for their academic purpose and last but not least as a partial guideline towards better planning museum design and consideration on display methods.

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