

MAJOR TAYLOR

>>> **FASTEST CYCLIST IN THE WORLD**
SOCIAL NARRATIVE



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MAJOR TAYLOR: FASTEST CYCLIST IN THE WORLD

NOW THROUGH OCTOBER 23, 2022.

Discover the life and career of champion bicycle racer and Indianapolis native Marshall “Major” Taylor. In this interactive experience, venture into the training room to learn how Taylor developed his speed and agility through a strict regimen of exercise and diet. Discover the pervasive racism that Taylor battled—from his competitors and in his hometown—and hear from great contemporary cyclists about how Taylor’s story has inspired a new generation of Black riders. See Taylor’s bicycle and many artifacts from the museum collection, plus learn about bicycle safety and design, tinker with bikes and bike parts, test your skills and times on stationary bikes and more!

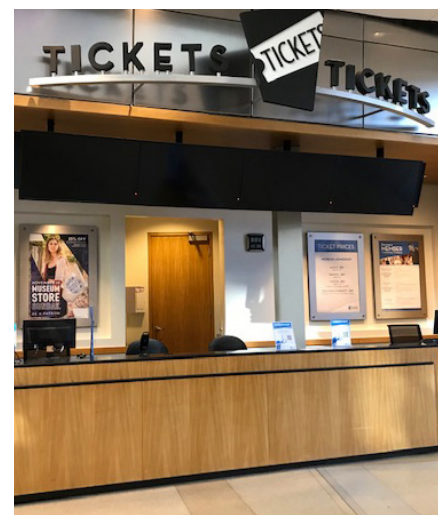
LEVEL 1:

Please Note

- Overhead music will be playing in the Great Hall upon your arrival.
- If you’re searching for a quiet time to visit, late afternoons Wednesday through Sunday from 3-5pm is a good time to come.
- Bathrooms are located behind the ticket counter, and by the grand staircase.
- Major Taylor: Fastest Cyclist in the World is on the 3rd floor and can be accessed by elevator or stairs.

Museum Ticket Counter

- Stop by the ticket counter to get your museum admission wristbands. Adults can hold on to children’s wristbands if they don’t want to wear them.





LEVEL 2:

Please Note

- A Quiet Room/Mom's Room is located on the 2nd floor outside the 2nd floor gallery exit; ask a staff in a blue shirt for assistance.
- Bathrooms are located down the hallway between the elevators and the Tea Room.



LEVEL 3:

Please Note

- Overhead music can be heard on the third-floor bridges.
- Bathrooms are located near the King Bridge Gallery.
- Major Taylor: Fastest Cyclist in the World is located in the South Gallery located across the 3rd floor bridge.

Major Taylor: Fastest Cyclist in the World

- Overhead music and spoken word poetry will be playing in the entrance of the exhibit.
- Lighting can be low in some areas.
- Move a bike pedal to see how the chains move the wheels, and ring the bike bell.
- Listen to stories of community cyclists through video and audio clips.
- Test your skill at changing a tire. You might need help from an adult.
- Sit down with your family and play a tabletop card game recreating a bicycle race.
- Open a locker door to listen to Major Taylor's opponents and critics and hear the language and attitudes expressed toward him on and off the track.
- Flip through a reproduction of Taylor's scrapbook to see how he tracked his racing career.
- Test your racing speed against Taylor on a stationary bike.





- Take a photo with a life-sized image of Major Taylor.
- Take a break and read a book in the reading area.
- Explore a world map and follow Taylor's travels through postcards.
- Hear an actor, portraying Taylor, read some of his postcards and letters to his family.
- See Taylor's original 1903 track bike and trophies.
- Children can ride a pre-made bike on the bike track. There are three different sizes. You might need to wait in line to ride a bike. Helmets are available.

