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| 11 | **Introduction** | **Localise** | Despite its medieval heritage, Avignon is far more than simply a sprawling museum. The town has a dynamic cultural scene that reaches its peak every July during the annual theater festival. Outside the festival season, Avignon offers plays, concerts, art exhibitions, and street performances to keep you entertained. |  |
| 12 | **Body** | **Localise** | <h3>  Festival d'Avignon  </h3>  <p>  </p>  The brainchild of actor and director Jean Vilar, Avignon's first festival was held in 1947, when it consisted of 3 plays and a contemporary art exhibition. Now it's an international celebration that integrates technology, supports literature, and gives a platform to the performing arts. If you visit Avignon in July and attend the festivities, you'll leave with a head full of new ideas.  <p>  </p>  <em>  Festival d'Avignon  </em>  <p>  </p>  Dancers, filmmakers, actors, musicians, and other creative performers come to Avignon each summer to perform and entertain. The festival takes place in venues all around the city.  <p>  </p>  CloÃ®tre Saint-Louis, 20 rue du Portail Boquier, 84000 Avignon. Tel: +33 4 90 27 66 50  <p>  </p>  <a href="http://www.festival-avignon.com/en//" target="\_blank">  Festival d'Avignon website  </a> | <h3>  </h3>  <p>  </p>  <p>  </p>  <em>  </em>  <p>  </p>  <p>  </p>  <p>  </p>  <a href="http://www.festival-avignon.com/en//" target="\_blank">  </a> |
| 13 | **Body 2** | **Localise** | <h3>  Theater and comedy  </h3>  <p>  </p>  Theater buffs may flock to Avignon for the summer festival, but there's plenty to keep lovers of the performing arts happy all year round. Whether you're in the mood for classic drama, an operatic masterpiece, or an evening of cabaret and comedy, there's a venue and an event for you.  <p>  </p>  <em>  OpÃ©ra Grand Avignon  </em>  <p>  </p>  Housed in an ancient building, this grand theater hosts works from diverse genres. You might see a conductor direct an orchestra one night, then watch Shakespeare's plots unfold on stage another.  <p>  </p>  1 Rue Racine, 84000 Avignon. Tel: +33 4 90 14 26 00  <p>  </p>  <a href="http://operagrandavignon.fr/en/saison-20142015//"target="\_blank">  OpÃ©ra Grand Avignon website  </a>  <p>  </p>  <em>  ThÃ©Ã¢tre des Halles  </em>  <p>  </p>  Art and science cohabit in this unassuming, stone-walled venue hidden on a narrow side street. Scientific lectures and debates share the program with dance productions and puppet shows.  <p>  </p>  Rue du Roi RenÃ©, 84000 Avignon. Tel: +33 4 32 76 24 51  <p>  </p>  <a href="http://www.theatredeshalles.com/"target="\_blank">  ThÃ©Ã¢tre des Halles website  </a>  <p>  </p>  <h3>  Avignon's best museums  </h3>  <p>  </p>  Touring Avignon's museums will give you an insight into the city's cultural history, from its medieval heyday, through the Renaissance, to the present day. At art museums like MusÃ©e Calvet, MusÃ©e Angladon, and MusÃ©e du Petit Palais, you can enjoy permanent and temporary exhibitions of important paintings and sculptures. More specialized institutions include MusÃ©e du Vin and MusÃ©e de la Lavande, which exhibit wine and lavender respectively.  <p>  </p>  <em>  MusÃ©e Calvet  </em>  <p>  </p>  This ornate mansion is home to the city's most important fine art collection. Egyptian and Greek objects are on display, as well as ancient coins and carved ivory, but paintings by the likes of Jacques-Louis David are the main attraction.  <p>  </p>  65 Rue Joseph Vernet, 84000 Avignon. Tel: +33 4 90 86 33 84  <p>  </p>  <a href="http://www.musee-calvet-avignon.com/"target="\_blank">  MusÃ©e Calvet website  </a>  <p>  </p>  <em>  MusÃ©e du Petit Palais  </em>  <p>  </p>  Housed in a grand medieval palace overlooking Place du Palais des Papes, this museum exhibits paintings by French and Italian artists of the early Renaissance.  <p>  </p>  Place du Palais des Papes, 84000 Avignon. Tel: +33 4 90 86 33 58  <p>  </p>  <a href="http://www.petit-palais.org/"target="\_blank">  MusÃ©e du Petit Palais website  </a> | <h3>  </h3>  <p>  </p>  <p>  </p>  <em>  </em>  <p>  </p>  <p>  </p>  <p>  </p>  <a href="http://operagrandavignon.fr/en/saison-20142015//"target="\_blank">  </a>  <p>  </p>  <em>  </em>  <p>  </p>  <p>  </p>  <p>  </p>  <a href="http://www.theatredeshalles.com/"target="\_blank">  </a>  <p>  </p>  <h3>  </h3>  <p>  </p>  <p>  </p>  <em>  </em>  <p>  </p>  <p>  </p>  <p>  </p>  <a href="http://www.musee-calvet-avignon.com/"target="\_blank">  </a>  <p>  </p>  <em>  </em>  <p>  </p>  <p>  </p>  <p>  </p>  <a href="http://www.petit-palais.org/"target="\_blank">  </a> |
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