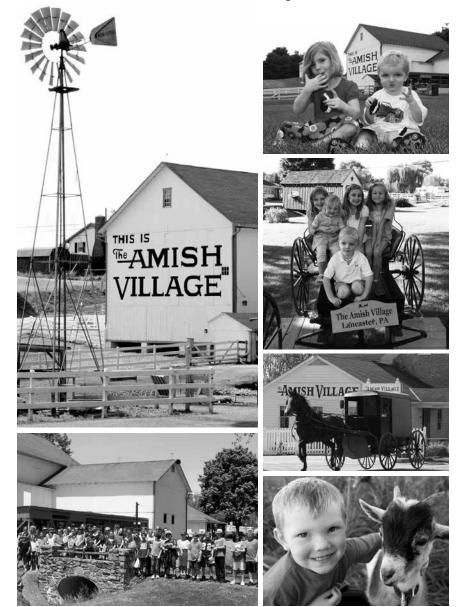
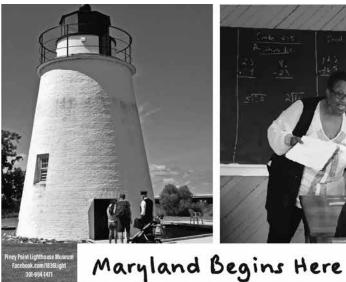
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St. Marys County Museums

Contact each museum for more information regarding our educational programming throughout the year.



Set a course for St. Mary's County in beautiful Southern Maryland and discover fascinating stories of Maryland's birth and more. Take a boat ride to the island where Maryland began, climb the oldest lighthouse on the Potomac and learn more about oystering, find out the inspiring stories of freedom seekers at the Old Jail Museum as they attempted escape on the Underground Railroad, or hear firsthand accounts of segregated education at a preserved African American Schoolhouse.

museums.stmarvsmd.com

St. Mary's County Museum Division, Department of Recreation & Parks - 38370 Point Breeze Road , Colton's Point, MD 20626 - 301-769-2222

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After the farmhouse tour, the students can explore the 12-acre property and outbuildings on their own and see how different buildings are used, and more.

Among the sites:

- A barnyard full of friendly animals to pet and feed
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- The Marketplace for Amish jams, apple butter, whoopie pies, and even a few samples for tasting
- · The Blacksmith Shop
- · A covered bridge, windmill, & water wheel
- A variety of buggies used today by the Amish

For those who enjoy traveling the backroads of Amish Country, sign-up for the 90-minute Backroads Bus Tour for a one-of-a-kind sightseeing experience. As you travel past working farms and along country roads where buggies roll along and farmers work their fields, your guide will share informative and educational stories about the Amish Community in Lancaster County. You'll even stop at an Amish roadside business where you can purchase handmade goods and talk to the Amish business owner one-on-one.

Learn more by clicking on the Tour button at **AmishVillage.com** or by calling **717-687-8511**

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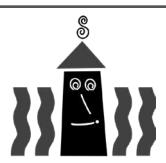
Now booking workshops and tours!

Children in grades Pre-K through 5 can explore the science of light and uncover fossils in our exhibits. STEAM-powered virtual and in-person workshops led by experienced educators are also available.

Visit our website or call for details steppingstonesmuseum.org/groups 203 899 0606, ext. 208



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Stepping Stones Museum for Children

FULL S.T.E.A.M AHEAD!

It's full STEAM ahead as Stepping Stones Museum for Children, an award-winning children's museum based in Norwalk, CT, introduces 22 S.T.E.A.M.-infused workshops. For homeschool families and groups of all ages and sizes, Stepping Stones provides unique, play-based learning opportunities as children explore the museum's multidisciplinary, hands-on exhibits and investigate during educator-guided activities. Plus, the museum provides a location for homeschool groups in the area to meet and connect.

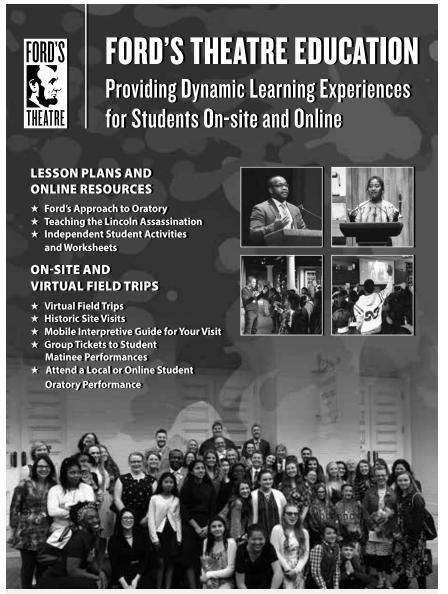
Registration is now open for guided museum tours, where our experienced Museum Educators will engage children in discussions and help them uncover the many content layers of learning opportunities. Self-guided tours options are available for those who want to learn and play at their own pace. Enjoy hours of fun at the museum, including exploring our engaging exhibits, exciting programming, spacious outdoor spaces and delicious fare from the Healthyville® Café.

In addition to your field trip, homeschool groups can enhance topics being explored with fun, interactive workshops led by a Museum Educator. Can't make it to the museum? Our STEAM-infused learning is accessible to anyone, anywhere! Our Museum Educators can bring our traveling workshops to local groups or you can access our exciting lineup of livestreamed, virtual workshops. All workshops fulfill state and national standards to ensure an experience chock-full of brain-building fun.

Receive a 10% discount if you book ahead with four or more experiences at once for the entire school year!

Visit our website, **www.steppingstonesmuseum.org/groups** for more information. If you have questions or would like to discuss a special program or workshop you'd like us to create, please contact Carolyn Volz at 203 899 0606, ext. 208 or email **carolyn.volz@steppingstonesmuseum.org**. Our talented education team is happy to work with you to create a one-of-a-kind experience.

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For more information, scan the **QR** code or email education@fords.org.

Ford's Theatre education programs are supported by Cornelia T. Bailey Foundation, Bloomberg Philanthropies, BP America, D.C. Commission on the Arts and Humanities, The Hearst Foundations, National Park Service, PwC, Southern Company and Visa Inc. with additional support from United Airlines.

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Learn about the American experience from America's Theatre!

Ford's Theatre provides enriching museum-based and performing arts learning experiences for students of all ages. Our programs and online resources promote civic discourse and critical thinking, empower young people to engage with our democracy and encourage them to stand up and be heard. We reflect on the legacies of our shared history, and how words have power to impact the world around us.

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VIRTUAL FIELD TRIPS

See history through the eyes of people who lived it. Join us on a live, interactive virtual field trip. Our FREE virtual field trips explore a range of topics such as Lincoln's life in Washington and assassination in Ford's Theatre, and what happened to the theatre after 1865. Investigate the Lincoln Assassination conspiracy in our popular Investigation: Detective McDevitt. Schedule an online field trip for your students today! https://fords.org/teaching-and-learning/education-programs/virtual-field-trips/

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Plan a historic site visit to learn about the events of April 14, 1865, and the lasting impact of Lincoln's assassination on our nation.

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ONLINE LEARNING RESOURCES

Explore more resources on our website. Ford's education maintains a robust online presence to extend learning opportunities to students, teachers and the historically curious around the world. We provide in-depth engagement for students by localizing and personalizing the story of Lincoln's assassination and his living legacy through lesson plans and self-guided activities.

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MARYLAND



CURATED PROGRAMS AVAILABLE FOR ALL GRADE LEVELS, PREK-12TH
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Bring Your Homeschool Group to the B&O Railroad Museum!

The B&O Railroad Museum is offering engaging, educational programming made just for homeschool students! These curated programs are available for all grade levels, PreK -12th grade.

Spend the day at the Birthplace of American Railroading with special activities that explore subjects such as Railroad Technology, Railroad Safety, The Civil War, Commerce on the Railroad, Environmental Impact of the Railroad, Global Conflict and the B&O, and Maryland History on the B&O.

Students will also be able to learn about **The Underground**Railroad and the Legacy of African American Railroading
through the Museum's new, immersive exhibit – The Underground
Railroad: Freedom Seekers on the B&O Railroad.

Homeschool groups of all sizes can participate in our **Homeschool Days** throughout the year. Visit the Museum for any of the Homeschool Days offered on our calendar or book a field trip with 10 or more students on a day that fits your schedule.

While you're here, climb aboard the **Mile One Express** and take a ride on the first mile of commercial railroad in the nation – offered as an add-on available during select Homeschool Days.

The B&O Railroad Museum also has a gorgeous 15,000 sq ft outdoor pavilion area to enjoy meals under. There is also indoor space available to reserve for lunch for a fee.

In support of our neurodivergent visitors, the B&O also offers **sensory-friendly resources** on site. **Free, gated parking** is available for all guests as well.

For more information to schedule your trip, visit horail.info/homeschool



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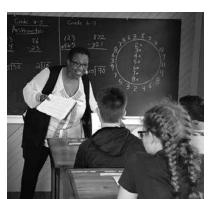
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The St. Mary's County Museum
Division, located in beautiful
Southern Maryland at the
confluence of the Potomac River
and Chesapeake Bay, oversees
4 significant museums and
historic sites throughout this
scenic Maryland destination.
These include the St. Clement's
Island Museum, Piney Point



Lighthouse Museum, Old Jail Museum and the Drayden African American Schoolhouse. The Division is part of the St. Mary's County Department of Recreation & Parks, and most sites are situated in lovely waterside parks or other picturesque locations, like in the charming Town of Leonardtown.









St. Clement's Island Museum recounts the history of an island nestled in the Potomac River and birthplace of Maryland. Piney Point Lighthouse Museum is home to the oldest lighthouse on the Potomac and military and maritime history. The Old Jail Museum tells the history of jails throughout the last 400 years, the oldest Sherriff's Office in the nation and stories on the Underground Railroad. Drayden is one of the only restored African American schools in Maryland and talks about segregated schooling in St. Mary's County in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

Along with many events, tours and other happenings occurring at each museum throughout the year, the Division offers guided educational programs for homeschool and other school groups – both public and private – at each location.

Some programs include: Second Saturdays, a nature and outdoor immersion for all ages where children can play and create with natural items, while teens and adults can learn outdoor skills such as knot tying. Conversation & A Cruise occurs once a month and allows families to explore different outdoor topics with a cruise. Another program is

Outdoor Adventure at Piney Point Lighthouse, which is a week-long outdoor STEAM program.

Guided programs and tours are available for various school ages. Programs may be tailored to focus on subjects covered in the classroom. For more details or to set up programing, visit Museums. StMarysMD.com and contact each museum directly.



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American Heritage Museum

Greetings from the American Heritage Museum! We hope the year is filled with rich educational experiences for you and your home-schooled children. To that end, the education staff at American Heritage Museum is ready to serve as a valued History and Social Science resource for you and your student.

The Museum opened in May 2019 and features an extraordinary collection of historical artifacts, military vehicles and rare aircraft displayed in chronological order from the Revolutionary War to the present time. Our country's history is displayed through a series of dioramas and immersive exhibits within our 67,000





square-foot facility. Each exhibit has reader rails and other forms of media designed to engage, educate, and inspire.

The American Heritage Museum's exhibits are aligned to over 26 lesson plans within the Massachusetts History and Social Science Framework. A large portion of the museum focuses on WWI and WWII. We have an extensive range of subject matter pertaining to US History I. For example, students can explore themes and events surrounding the Treaty of Versailles, President Wilson's Fourteen Points, and frustrated efforts at post-war diplomacy including the establishment of the League of Nations (USII.6-USII.7 and WHII.18).

With the anniversary of Pearl Harbor approaching in December, the Museum can offer your students a timely learning experience that remains critically relevant today. Explore how it all began: the rise of fascism in Europe and Asia, the Battle of Britain, FDR's "Lend-Lease" program and the "America First" isolationist movement that dissolved after the December 7, 1941 surprise attack on Pearl Harbor (WHII.24). AHM offers limitless connections to the history lessons you are teaching in your home!

The American Heritage Museum is open Wednesday to Sunday, 10 AM to 5 PM. Located at 568 Main Street, Hudson, MA. For more information visit: www.AmericanHeritageMuseum.org or call (978) 562-9182.

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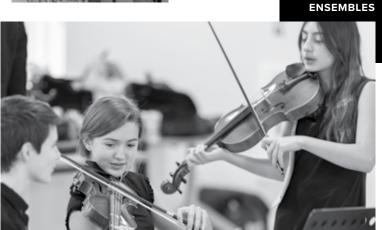
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"Music Makes You Smarter" is much more than a bumper sticker slogan. Did you know that playing a musical instrument uses more cognitive functions than most activities? It's true! Your brain has to read and understand the written music, control gross and fine motor skills with accurate hand-eye coordination, and make creative decisions about how loud, soft, fast, or slow to play the notes.

If you are playing with other musicians, you need strong listening and non-verbal communication skills in order to coordinate your sounds with theirs. For singers, your bodies are your instruments, so you require a deep knowledge of breathing and vocal production anatomy. For dancers, who interpret music through movement, many of the same skills apply.

Once students begin to gain proficiency in the language of music, they are able to explore creating their own music through improvisation and composition.

Beyond the music, these students develop self-confidence, discipline, and cooperative learning skills as they adhere to practice schedules, study one-on-one with instructors, and work together in ensembles toward the common goal of sharing their music with the community. The most wonderful part of this process is that it's fun!

The arts provide a critical and vital component to a student's education. All students, regardless of age or ability, benefit from developing creative thinking skills, which apply to all aspects of learning.

At the Cape Symphony, we are dedicated to inspiring joy through music and dance education. We are eager to work with homeschool families to provide and create opportunities for you to incorporate music and dance into your curricula. To learn more about how we can work together to bring the joy of music and dance to your students, call **508.362.2772** or email **education@capesymphony.org**.

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EXPLORE THE PAST LIKE NEVER BEFORE!

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Become a History Detective or play the past when you register for Plimoth Patuxet Summer Camp. Make history happen when you join us for a volunteer service project...and there's so much more to explore! **Learn more at plimoth.org/events.**



PLIMOTH PATUXET

Experience History in a New Light!

At Plimoth Patuxet Museums, we recover and preserve lost stories of the past in order to understand our shared human history. We give voice to forgotten 17th-century lives and honor the ancestors by studying and representing their experiences as accurately as possible. When homeschoolers and their families visit Plimoth Patuxet's living history exhibits, they will explore interwoven communities, investigate changing landscapes, and discover the past in new ways through immersive, hands-on experiences.

We offer exclusive pricing for homeschool groups in addition to a wide variety of educational offerings to enhance your learning including guided tours, historic meals, hands-on workshops, and overnight experiences. Choose from a variety of ticket package options. For more information, visit www.plimoth.org/events, email groupsales@plimoth.org, or call (508) 746-1622 x8358.

For smaller homeschool groups, we offer Homeschool Day programs with discounted admission and special opportunities curated just for homeschoolers and their families. You might spend a week at Plimoth Patxuet Summer Camp, participate in a poetry slam, meet our rare and heirloom breed animals, discover watercraft of the 1600s, lend your hand to a 17th-century building project, or cook a traditional holiday treat.

Can't visit with us in person? Visit with us virtually! Our suite of virtual education programs and teacher tools bring the 17th-century worlds of Plimoth and Patuxet to your homeschoolers wherever you are. Visit our Teacher Tools website and explore free, comprehensive multimedia resources including our new online game, *You are the Historian: Investigating the First Thanksgiving*, to enliven and support your in classroom lessons. For more information about our hands-on educational offerings, email programs@plimoth.org or call (508) 746-1622 x8359.

We hope you have a great time in another time!

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Homeschool and Preschool STEAM Day programs run monthly, according to schedule and feature exciting and immersive instruction that varies by discipline monthly. Homeschool Discovery Day and Preschool STEAM Day programming is affordable and includes admission to the Air Zoo's 200,000+ square feet of exhibit space. Admission for parents and siblings can be purchased upon arrival at a discounted rate; Air Zoo members are free.

Beyond the scheduled programs listed above, student groups can book field trips, class time, and overnights. Seasonal camps and exciting Community Access programs are also a great way to expose your child to hands-on learning, feeding their imagination while creating a strong foundation for their future STEAM success. Check out all the educational programs offered by the Air Zoo at airzoo.org/education and contact a Group & Events team member today for help registering or to schedule your homeschool groups overnight adventure. Come imagine, explore, and discover, at the Air Zoo!

The Air Zoo is a world-class, Smithsonian-affiliated aerospace and science center located just one mile south of I-94 off Exit 78. With more than 100+ rare and unique aircraft and spacecraft, hands-on learning stations, and indoor flight-based, amusement style rides and simulators, the Air Zoo is southwest Michigan's premiere science education center.

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GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC MUSEUM

Unlocking Boundless Learning: Museum Memberships for Homeschool Families

Homeschooling provides a unique opportunity to customize education, creating an engaging, dynamic learning experience. A museum membership, like the one offered by the Grand Rapids Public Museum, is a valuable resource for homeschooling families.

Affordable Adventures

One of the most significant perks of a GRPM membership for homeschool families is free parking in the GRPM Parking Ramp, which makes trips to the museum convenient and budget-friendly.

Additionally, the membership offers 50% off Chaffee Planetarium tickets, reducing the cost of exploring the cosmos.

Learning Opportunities Abound

Your membership doesn't just grant access to exhibits but also opens doors to dynamic learning experiences. Members receive a 10% discount at the Curiosity Shop and Museum Cafe, offering savings on educational resources and the chance to refuel during museum visits.

Additionally, member events provide unique opportunities for homeschoolers to learn and socialize, often focusing on specific educational themes that create a deeper connection to the subjects being studied at home.

A World of Exploration

A GRPM membership offers more than just local benefits. It's part of the ASTC Travel Passport Program, providing free general admission to over 300 museums nationwide. Imagine the possibilities for field trips, vacations, or exploring new horizons.

Moreover, the local reciprocal program allows your family to enjoy free admission to other cultural organizations in the area, broadening the range of educational experiences available.

From affordability to endless learning opportunities, a GRPM membership is an investment in education that pays dividends in both knowledge and fun. So, why not unlock the boundless world of learning with a museum membership? Your homeschooling adventure just got even more exciting!

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Meet our Historical Interpreters, who provide demonstrations of colonial trades and crafts such as printing or stone carving. On-site workshops are also available to school tours. For a souvenir of your trip through time, be sure to visit our gift shop!

Nearby is the Middlesex County Museum, located in the Cornelius Low House. This fully restored 1741 Georgian Mansion welcomes visitors to a variety of exhibits on local and NJ history that are perfect for all ages.

Location:

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Hours:

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Both sites are **FREE** of charge.

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Museum admission is free; fee for Planetarium shows and reserved programs.

Learn more & get showtimes at **statemuseum.nj.gov**.





Year-Round Learning, Exploration & Adventure

Inspire learning as you explore history, science and the arts at the New Jersey State Museum. Here, every visit is filled with engaging exhibitions, interesting artifacts and wonders from the past and the present. Discoveries are everywhere, from life-sized dinosaur casts to fossils in the Paleo Lab and diverse works of art created by some of the most acclaimed artists and craftspeople in the country.

Everyone likes to hang with the stars. And the Planetarium is the perfect place to do it. Zip through the solar system on a stellar journey with 360-degree views and reclining seats. Kick back and relax as star talks presenters deliver cool intergalactic facts to make your experience truly out of this world.

Get an up-close look at Archaeology/Ethnography, Cultural History, Fine Art and Natural History collections any time of year. A visit to the Museum is the perfect one-day getaway. It's also the ultimate interactive field trip – whether it's summer camp or a class. Groups of 15 or more can book a hands-on experience, tour or talk with a Museum expert. It's an adventure filled with discoveries for all – any age and any grade.

As always, admission to the Museum is free. There is a fee for Planetarium shows. Public Planetarium shows are held on weekends only from September through June. During the summer months, winter break and spring break, weekday shows are available to the public. Groups can reserve any time of year. To learn more, get showtimes or make reservations, visit **statemuseum.nj.gov**.

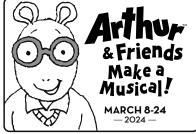
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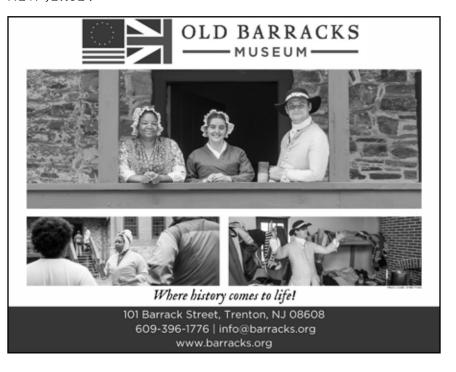
Throughout each season, we offer main stage productions, educational programs (Creative Arts Academy and Summer Arts Camp), plus our New Play-Reading Festival and Playwriting Festival for Young Writers.

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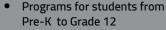
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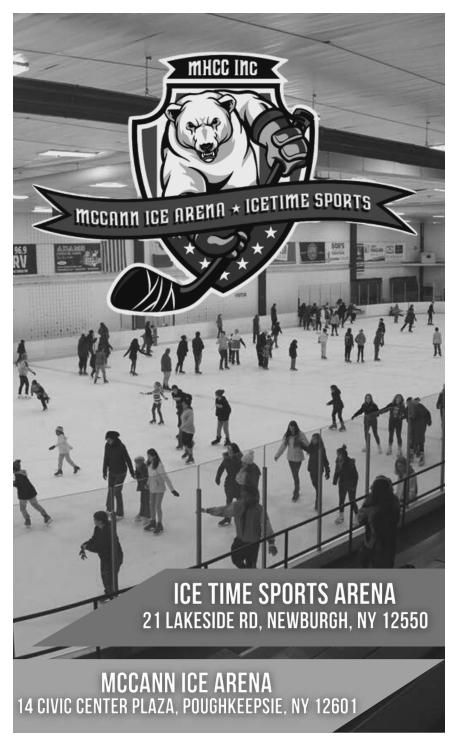


The Fenton History Center, located in Jamestown, New York, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The museum strives to preserve local heritage

by educating the public and students regarding the history of Jamestown. The historic house was owned by Governor Reuben E. Fenton: U.S. Congressman (1853-1864), New York State Governor (1864-1869) and U.S. Senator (1869-1875). Built in 1863, the Fenton Mansion and family home has served as the local history center in Southern Chautauqua County since 1963.

The museum houses several period rooms including the Drawing Room and Family Parlor, the Nanny and Children's Room, the Lookout Tower, and the Victorian Vestibule. It also features a Furniture Exhibition highlighting Jamestown manufacturers, the Underground Railroad in Chautauqua County Exhibit in collaboration with Heritage New York, a room dedicated to Jamestown daughter and celebrated comedienne Lucille Ball, a Children's Toy Exhibit, a Homespun Era cellar, a stairway devoted to industrialization in Jamestown, a Swedish Room, a Mourning Room (in memory of departed loved ones popular during Victorian times), and a Military Room displaying historical objects from the Civil War, World War I and World War II.

The Fenton History Center welcomes homeschoolers of all ages to the museum. It is open Mondays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (handicap accessible and service dog-friendly). Admission for children under 18 is free and adults are \$10. Our exhibits would complement homeschooling because they provide important historical information concerning not only Jamestown's history, but the museum also showcases artifacts from the Victorian Era, specifically during Governor Fenton's residence, and offers a glimpse into the past that can be shared by children and adults alike – families with multiple schedules unfettered by traditional school timetables. Therefore, the Fenton History Center is a desirable educational destination for homeschool groups.





McCann Ice Arena and Ice Time Sports Complex

We wanted to reach out to you and extend a warm invitation to visit us at our two ice rinks, McCann Ice Arena located in Poughkeepsie, and Ice Time Sports Complex in Newburgh.

We understand that being homeschooled provides you with unique opportunities to learn and explore the world beyond traditional classroom settings. Our ice rink offers a vibrant environment where you can engage in physical activities, enhance your coordination skills, and foster a sense of camaraderie with fellow skaters!

When you visit our ice rink, you'll have access to a variety of activities suited for skaters of all skill levels. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced skater, there's something for everyone. You can take advantage of open skating sessions, or if you prefer more structured activities, we offer lessons with experienced instructors who can guide you in perfecting your technique. Our rink is also home to ice hockey games and thrilling figure skating performances.

We can't wait to be a part of your homeschooling journey, and can't wait to have you join us on the ice!

Please feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions. For more information, including our operating hours and upcoming events, see our contact info below. Follow us on social media for exciting updates, contests, and exclusive offers @McCannlceTimeArenas.

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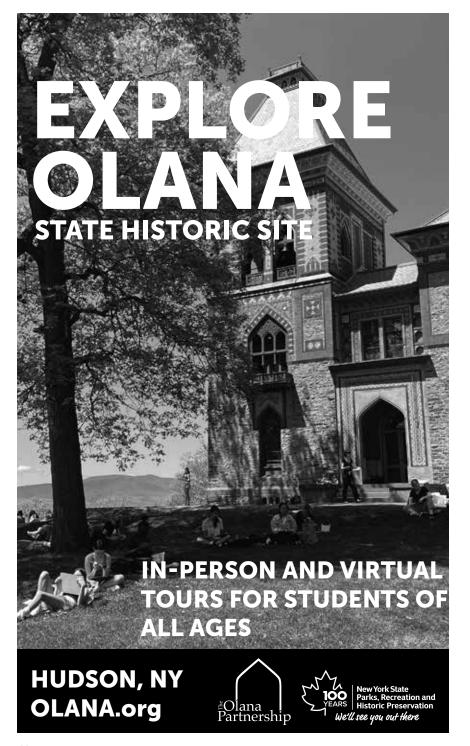


Get ready for an adrenaline-filled winter at Peek'n Peak Resort! Located in Clymer, New York, this resort is nestled in the snowbelt of Lake Erie, guaranteeing an abundance of Lake Effect Snow and perfect conditions for winter sports. From diverse trails to special perks for season pass holders, Peek'n Peak Resort is THE place to be for all the winter adventure seekers out there!

With 26 slopes and trails to choose from at Peek'n Peak, skiers and snowboarders of all levels are in for a treat. From our beginner-friendly bunny hill to adrenaline-pumping black diamond slopes and 5 terrain parks, there's something for everyone! Don't worry if you're new to skiing; our professional instructors are here to help you master the slopes. And if you're not quite ready to hit the slopes, come join us at the Tubing Hill for some winter excitement!

Ready to take your skills to the next level? Try out one (or all) of the terrain parks! The 180 Park offers a great starting point with lower boxes and rails, perfect for building confidence. For those seeking an extra thrill, the 360 & 540 Parks await, filled with intermediate jumps, rails, and boxes.

Take advantage of all Peek'n Peak has to offer with a Season Pass! The Resort offers several different pass variations to best fit any lifestyle or busy schedule. Have unlimited access to the slopes with the Infinity Pass. Our most popular option, The Edge Pass, allows you to ski or ride Monday – Friday and after 3PM Saturday – Sunday. Purchase the pass that works best for you at pknpk.com/season-passes/.







Field trips and virtual tours with The Olana Partnership at Olana State Historic Site are available for students PreK-12th grade and are designed to give children of all ages an opportunity to explore concepts around art, science, architecture, and civic engagement while making personal connections to artist Frederic Church's home and 250-acre creation, Olana.

Field trips can be booked year-round and include an exploration of the entire site, including a tour of the artist-designed landscape and historic house. Virtual tours include 3D tours of the main house and landscape, interactive live instruction, and activities led by expert art educators on the digital teaching platform of your choice. We can accommodate virtual tours via Zoom, Google Meet, Microsoft Teams and WebEx.

For in-person field trips, artmaking workshops can be added onto each field trip to provide opportunities for deeper exploration and discovery. During creative workshops, students leave with a completed work of art like a watercolor painting, architectural blueprint, personal poster, or sculpture.

All school programs focus on four specific themes including: "Place as Inspiration" which examines how Church and his fellow painters were inspired by the landscape in which they lived – the Hudson Valley; "Sketching As Seeing" which dives into Church's artistic process and explores how he used pencil sketches and studies to prepare to create final painted canvases; "Adventures In Architecture" which explores how global architectural traditions influenced Church's design of Olana's historic house and his handling of scale and design; and "Land As Canvas" which invites students to consider nature as a source of creativity and invention by observing patterns and structures in local flora and fauna.

All lessons connect to social studies, civics, art, language arts, science, and math. Field trips at Olana cost \$10/student for a tour of the historic house and landscape and visits with artmaking workshops cost \$15/student. Field trips that include the historic house and landscape last 2 hours and an optional art workshop adds 90 minutes to the visit. Virtual tours are \$5 per student and last one hour. All programs can be tailored to meet specific curriculum goals and student needs.



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Aullwood's professional naturalist educators and specially-trained volunteer naturalists provide learning opportunities that create awareness of the natural and agricultural world, teach natural history and agricultural topics and instill conservation stewardship.

During the school year, you can book a visit to Aullwood for a guided program OR a self-guided program. For the guided programs, we provide many options for unique hands-on programs such as Birds of Prey or from our list of programs. We provide some teaching materials before you come and, upon your arrival, a brief staff introduction.

SCHEDULING YOUR VISIT: Please go to https://aullwood.audubon.org/programs/education-programs and complete the request form on our Programs Page. Aullwood's guided program schedule fills quickly, so reserve your program early in the school year! Please contact Arras Wiedorn, Public Programs Manager, at arras.wiedorn@audubon.org or call Audubon at (937) 890-7360 ext. 217 to set up your visit. Guided programs are offered September – May unless otherwise noted and are scheduled Tuesday – Friday 9am – 4pm.

On the day of your program, an Aullwood staff member will greet your group, deliver a presentation and, if applicable, ask you to divide your students into a certain number of small groups for the rest of the guided program. When the guided program has concluded you may continue exploring Aullwood as a self-guided group. There is a minimum fee of \$75 for guided field trip experiences and \$50 for self-guided programs. Check out our Education Brochure on our website for specific program options. Fees are due on the day of the program. See you at Aullwood Audubon!



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The Ernest Warther Museum, located in Dover, Ohio is the home of an inspirational life-story of an artist and his works. It all started when Ernest Warther lost his father at the age of three, in 1888, forcing him to take his first job at the age of five. It was during that cow-herding job that Ernest earned the nickname "Mooney," Swiss for 'bull of the herd,' which stayed with him for life. But what ultimately changed the course of his life was when he found a pocketknife in the dirt road. He picked it up, started whittling, and never set it down for another 82 years. Although the knife changed over the years, Mooney's determination, ingenuity, and artistic ability never did. In those 82 years, he would hand-sculpt over sixty works focusing around the steam-engine. The result earned him the title of the World's Master Carver. The Ernest Warther Museum and Gardens is built around the original location of Ernest and his wife's home, his original workshop, and the first museum which opened on May 10th, 1936 in their backyard. Today, the Ernest Warther Museum is owned and operated by third and fourth generation family members whose mission is to share, educate, and delight visitors with the works compiled and created by both Ernest and Frieda Warther to invoke passion, determination, and admiration for the beauty of their art. We offer guided and self-guided tours for groups and families. Please visit our website, warthermuseum.com, for more information on tour times and booking a group tour or email Kristen at kristen@ thewarthermuseum.com. Our educational page has more information on student groups, activities, and grant opportunities. We look forward to having your student group here with us for an inspirational and memorable educational experience.



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- Archaeology School Day April 26, 2024. Students learn about
 the importance of archaeology, how it is conducted, and how it
 effects other fields of study. Activities include a mock archeological
 dig, educational presentations, museum tours and observing
 Revolutionary War artifacts.
- Revolutionary War Reenactment and Encampment July 13-14, 2024. British and Continental soldiers camp on the grounds and reenact key battles. The event includes artillery demos, musket drills and kid's games and crafts.

For more information, contact Fort Laurens at **330-874-2059** or visit **www.fortlaurensmuseum.org**.

Fort Laurens is Ohio's only Revolutionary War-era fort and features a museum, memorial, Tomb of the Unknown Patriot and visible outline of the original fort structure.

The site was considered a steppingstone across the West to stage an attack on the British at Fort Detroit during the American Revolution. Fundraising and plans are currently underway by the Friends of Fort Laurens Foundation to eventually rebuild the fort. Along with Historic Zoar Village, Fort Laurens is managed by the Zoar Community Association.









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- Tables and chairs are available within the hangar if groups want to bring lunch and eat during the visit.
- Contact Reed Kimball, Director of Education at 330-896-6332 or kimball.reed@mapsairmuseum.org for available dates, times and admission prices.



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Award Winning Zoar and the Presidents Day Returns Oct. 4

Students can meet U.S. presidents active during Zoar's communal settlement era from 1817 to 1898 at Zoar and the Presidents Day. This biannual event was recently named "Best in Education and Outreach" by the Ohio Museums Association. Experienced historical interpreters in period dress portray important figures like Abraham Lincoln, George Washington and Theodore Roosevelt. Presidential speeches, activities and games are held along with museum tours and demonstrations.

Cost is \$7 per student. Admission is free for one adult per group, with additional adult tickets at \$7 each. All proceeds go toward the preservation and educational efforts of Historic Zoar Village.

Getting children interested in history can sometimes be a challenge. Historic Zoar Village engages students through hands-on educational experiences like butter churning, bread baking, tinsmithing and more. Additionally, historical interpreters provide tours and share what life was like for the people of Zoar during the 1800s.



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Joe's Adventure Guide is a fun way to explore the estate. This 8-page activity-filled guide is available in admissions, and guests who complete this scavenger hunt may stop in Molly's Shop for a prize.

Two areas on the estate encourage children to climb up, down, and all around. Homes of Nature features six giant interactive animal habitats, including a beehive, spider web, bird's nest, bird house and critter's hollow. Nearby is Playgarden and the butterfly habitat. Playgarden features a 15-ft. tall Tudor revival-style playhouse, a sundial-shaped splash pad, musical features inspired by the Manor House organ, a 1929 Model A truck and more. From late June to early September, Butterflies of North America is a great place to learn about the life cycle of native butterflies.

Groups of 10 or more receive a 25% discount on admissions. Reservations are required 2 weeks in advance for groups. For more information, contact Group Sales at groupsales@stanhywet.org.

Stan Hywet is open to the public Tuesday-Sunday from April – December.

The estate is closed to the public on Mondays. For more information on hours of operation, tours, and admission, visit **stanhywet.org**

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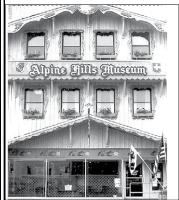
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This year's production will again be enhanced by live music, The Southside Sinfonietta, conducted by Darin Lewis, as well as a choir, composed of Lehigh Valley school students. The performances for school students are 10:00 am, Wednesday, December 13 through Friday, December 15. Performances for the public are 1:00 & 4:30 pm on Saturday, December 16 and Sunday, December 17.

A School Performance Guide is available for educators to use to prepare their students ahead of time about *The Nutcracker* ballet, music, and the arts. The guide includes ideas for classes studying this ballet, the history and storyline of the ballet (based on the tale by E.T.A. Hoffman), an article about Tchaikovsky's music, and many other interesting features. The students are encouraged to draw and write about what they see at the performance. We have countless numbers of thank you notes and drawings that students have sent to us. For some children, this may be the only opportunity they have to see a ballet production of this type. To receive a Nutcracker School Performance Guide, please email our office pyb@rcn.com.

The Ballet Guild operates its school at 556 Main Street in Bethlehem, where classes in two divisions – Pre-Professional and Community - emphasize the proper development of ballet skills. Classes are held from September through May, as well as a six-week summer program for all ages, including a day intensive for the serious student.

For more information about our organization, e-mail **pyb@rcn.com**, or call our office at **610-865-0353**. Visit our website **www.bglv.org** to find out more!

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When it comes to education, homeschooling families have a unique advantage – the ability to customize their children's learning experiences. One way to supplement your homeschooling curriculum is by embarking on a field trip to Carnegie Science Center.

One of the most significant advantages of visiting the Science Center is the hands-on learning opportunities it provides. Your child will not just read about science concepts; they will see, touch, and interact with them. From exploring interactive exhibits like *Mars: The Next Giant Leap* to witnessing live science demonstrations, the Science Center makes complex subjects come alive.

Carnegie Science Center's programs are designed to foster a love for STEM. Homeschool students can participate in monthly SciTech Days, partake in 3D-printed maker workshops, or dive into special themed learning experiences with STEM Adventures. Whether your child is captivated by space exploration, the human body, or biology, there is something for everyone.

Moreover, field trips to the Science Center offer a chance for homeschooling families to connect with like-minded individuals. Your child can build friendships, share their interests, and learn from their peers in a supportive environment.

Starting Oct. 21, homeschooling families can also journey back in time to April 1912 as they explore the enthralling TITANIC: The Artifact Exhibition. Families can relive the grandeur through full-scale room re-creations and authentic artifacts that weave the intricate tapestry of the *Titanic*, shedding light on the lives of its passengers and crew. The exhibition is on display for a limited time in Carnegie Science Center's PPG SCIENCE PAVILION®.

In essence, Carnegie Science Center field trips provide an enriching, inspiring, and flexible opportunity for homeschooling families to enhance their children's STEM education. To learn more, visit **CarnegieScienceCenter.org** or call Carnegie Science Center's Reservations Team at **412.237.3400**. The team is available **Monday–Friday**, **9** am–**5** pm.

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Explore Gettysburgwith Your Homeschooler

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The Gettysburg National Military Park Museum & Visitor Center is the official start to your visit.



Begin your visit here. Start with the introductory film A New Birth of Freedom, produced by the History Channel and narrated by Morgan Freeman. Experience the Gettysburg Cyclorama, the massive 360-degree painting depicting Pickett's Charge. Explore the museum's interactive

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Gettysburg Foundation offers homeschoolers and families engaging, interactive experiences in historic Gettysburg. This popular homeschool field trip and family vacation destination is perfect for exploring history, sharing lessons and making lasting memories together. Plan your visit by calling 877-874-2478 or visiting GettysburgFoundation.org, and explore Gettysburg with us.

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Traveling and Digital Programs (On-site starting March 2024)

Medieval Life Program (traveling) | Grades K-8

Get up close with art and objects from the Middle Ages. Explore what they can tell us about the lives, religious beliefs, and practices of the people who lived during that period!

Ancient Cultures Program (traveling) | Grades 3-10

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Stained Glass Program (digital) | Grades K-12

Explore one of the most visually stunning features of Glencairn Museum in this guided, interactive stained-glass program.

Craftsmanship at Glencairn Program (digital) | Grades 4-10

Students become the experts as they discover and share the lives and work of five craftspeople who contributed their skill and talent to create Glencairn in stone, wood, metal, and glass.

Coming March 2024! Sacred Adornment Program | Grades 6-12

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Visit **GlencairnMuseum.org** or contact Amy Glenn, Educational Programs Manager, at **amy.glenn@glencairnmuseum.org** or **267.502.2962**.

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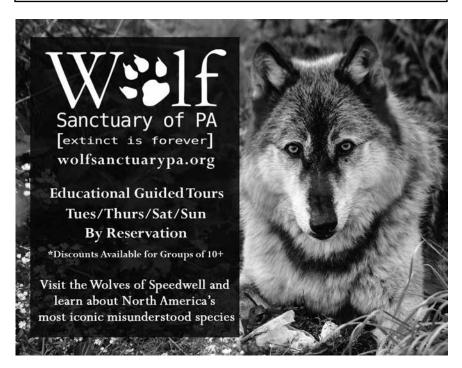


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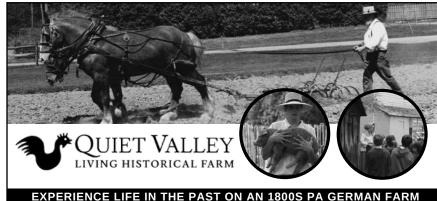
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All museum buildings are handicap accessible. The Museum has a picnic area and a lodge that can be reserved for various events. There is ample parking for buses and large crowds. Our gift shop has new and vintage items for sale, many under \$10.00! We can handle groups of any size and offer group discounts.

For more information or to see what events we have coming, you can follow us on Facebook, visit us at our website www.isettheritagemuseum.com, or just give us a call at 814.643.9600.

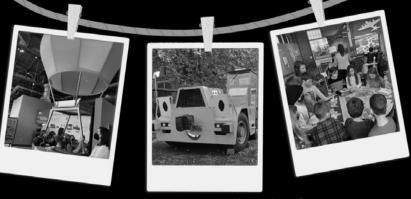
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National Museum *of* Industrial History *Offering*

- Virtual & In-person Field Trips
- Digital Resources
- Hands-on programming & workshops
- Free Family Sundays (youth 12 and under free when accompanied by a paid adult)



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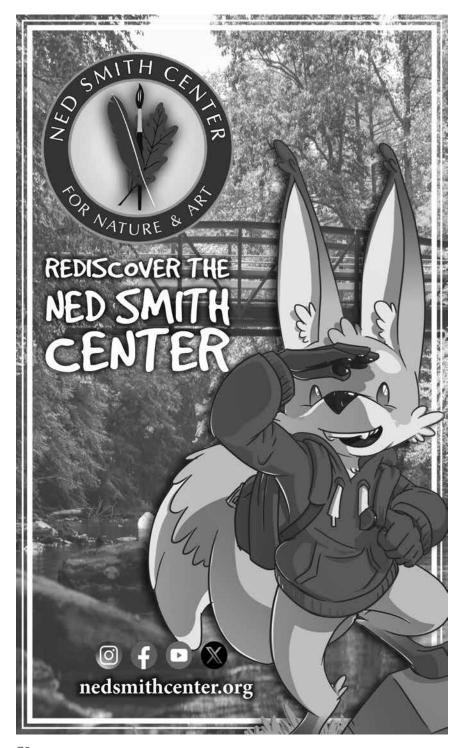


Searching for a fun and interactive way to learn about the history of technology, innovation, and industry? Look no further than the National Museum of Industrial History (NMIH) in Bethlehem, PA! Our hands-on learning experiences go beyond simply looking at exhibits, allowing visitors of all ages to engage with industrial history in a fun and interactive way.

Discover the power of machines and how they transform every aspect of our lives. Visit the 1876 Centennial, where Americans ate bananas for the very first time. Learn how steel was made and try your hand at being an architect or structural engineer! Fight for your right to go to school, as you learn about the Fair Labor Act and its connections to the silk and textile industry. With our variety of exhibits and programs—there is something for everyone!

NMIH offers a variety of virtual and in-person youth educational programs including field trips, workshops, hands-on activities and digital resources. We seek to inspire students to tap into their inner engineers and entrepreneurs by using history and inquiry skills as catalysts for meaningful discussion and exploration. With programs for all ages and interests, NMIH offers a lasting learning experience by engaging with all types of learners. Admission discounts available for students, groups and EBT card holders. Youth 12 and under receive free admission when accompanied by an adult on Sundays. For full details, visit www.nmih. org/educate.

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"Seeing is more than merely looking, it involves noticing"

- Ned Smith

The mission of the Ned Smith Center for Nature & Art is to honor the legacy of Ned Smith by merging the arts and natural world through education, exhibition, and experiences. Rooted in the scenic Susquehanna Valley of Central Pennsylvania, The Ned Smith Center for Nature & Art, located in Millersburg, PA, strives to be the leading institution for the collection and dissemination of art and natural history knowledge, particularly when the two intersect and reinforce one another.

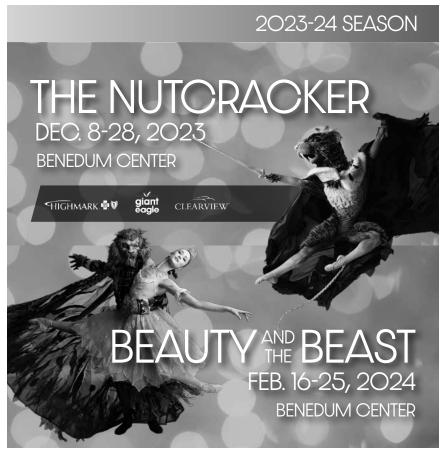
The NSCNA is the repository for the art, writings, and other work of the late Ned Smith, from whose life the Center takes its original inspiration. The center seeks to appeal to all ages, races, and genders across Pennsylvania and beyond. With the additions of a new gallery space, a beautiful bridge, an open-air amphitheater and their Nature's Discovery Play Area, there is always something to see and do at the NSCNA! The NSCNA's goal is to be viewed as a vibrant cornerstone to the cultural, economic, social, and environmental life of communities near and far.

It's with that mindset, the NSCNA introduced Homeschool Days at the Ned Smith Center for Nature and Art! Homeschool families are invited to join educators at the Ned Smith Center for a guided workshop, craft, or walk! Each month from September to March, the NSCNA will bring a new opportunity for learning and creativity with topics ranging from Spring wildflowers to Fall trees and everything in between. Registration will cost only five dollars which includes the student's admission as well as their parent or guardian.

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This year Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre (PBT) will offer *Nutcracker* experiences for children of all ages. Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre will be presenting the holiday classic at the Benedum Center in Pittsburgh from Dec. 8-28. PBT will offer a student matinee on Friday, December 8th at 11:00 a.m. so students can enjoy the magic of live theater as they Join Marie, her Nutcracker prince and hundreds of colorful characters for an unforgettable adventure through the Land of Enchantment. Tickets are available at a discounted price and bus funding is available with professional development workshop attendance. Also, please join us again for our Beauty and the Beast student matinee on Friday, February 23rd at 11:00 a.m. To purchase tickets, please contact the Group Sales department at **412-454-9101** or **groupsales@pittsburghballet.org**.

Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre will also provide a sensory-friendly performance of *The Nutcracker* for children (and adults) with autism spectrum disorder, sensory sensitivities or other individualized needs. This special performance will take place on Sunday, December 17th at 4:30 p.m.

These are relaxed performances that are open to all. PBT recognizes that a theater performance can present a variety of barriers for many in the audience and is striving to change that. Our sensory-friendly performances are a step toward making the excitement and beauty of a ballet performance barrier-free, accessible and welcoming to everyone in our Pittsburgh community. It is a judgment-free zone where theater staff and patrons accept (and expect) extra sound or movement in the audience and where we celebrate the myriad ways audience members can experience a live stage performance. Questions about content or accommodations: accessibility@pittsburghballet.org. Tickets are available at https://www.pbt.org.

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Special Events

Railroad-related programs throughout the year highlight many fascinating aspects of our nation's transportation heritage.

Educational Tours

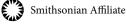
Guided, age-appropriate, educational tours focus on railroad workers, operations and innovations. Reduced admission rates for self-guided groups also available.

Reservations and Information

Contact Juliette O'Connor, Museum Educator, juoconnor@pa.gov, (717) 687-8628, ext 3025.











A Smithsonian affiliate, the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania is administered by the Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission, with the active support of the nonprofit Friends of the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania.

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Sordoni Art Gallery's K-12 Program provides age- and Different subject-adapted tours and Kind of hands-on workshops to encourage an appreciation of the arts and an understanding of its role in society through direct engagement.







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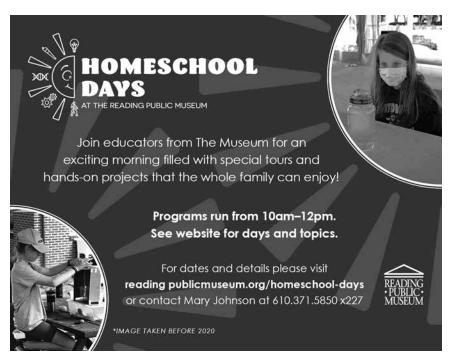
The Sordoni Art Gallery (SAG) is a different kind of classroom. Located on the Wilkes University campus on South Main St. in Wilkes Barre, SAG collaborates, supports, and serves arts and cultural initiatives in the Northeast Pennsylvania region. Education and exhibition are central to the Gallery's public service mission.

SAG's redesigned K-12 Program provides age- and subject-adapted tours and hands-on workshops to encourage an appreciation of the arts and an understanding of its role in society through direct engagement. Our programming is based on the Visual Art Curriculum Framework and The Standards Aligned System (SAS) developed by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

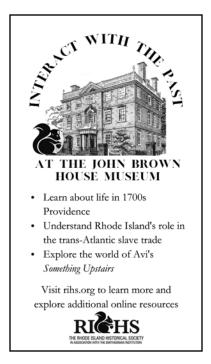
The K-12 program lasts approximately two hours and can be adapted to fit your time scale. A guided tour will introduce your students to the artists, technology, and historical events that shape the exhibition. Next, the class will view the exhibition independently to think critically about the work. Finally, we will apply our knowledge in a hands-on workshop that will allow your class to bring home their own masterpieces.

The arts serve as a foundational learning tool for students and community members of all ages. The visual arts have long been known to provide education, enrichment, and healing to participants and viewers. The Gallery is prepared and excited to bring these interpretive programs to the Wilkes-Barre community in the form of lectures, family programs, and public workshops. SAG strongly believes that these programs will fill the need for additional free arts programming in the community.

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The past is present on a field trip to the South County Museum

Founded in 1933, the South County Museum has been honoring Rhode Island's village communities that formed around agriculture, maritime activities, and millwork for nearly 90 years. Central to our mission is encouraging curious learners of all ages to explore, engage, and experience America's history.

Our beautiful eight-acre campus is located on a 174-acre town park that was once the 19th-century estate of Rhode Island's Civil War-era governor and postwar senator, William Sprague IV.

Take a tour of Metz Hall and learn about our local history through the museum's collection of South County artifacts. Museum staff and volunteers will offer interpretation appropriate to the visitor's age and interest level.

Learn about prevalent trades in early Rhode Island, and gain hands-on craft experience in our maker spaces. These spaces include a carpentry barn, a print shop, a blacksmith forge, and a fiber shed.

Workshops are currently available in blacksmithing and textile arts. Learn basic forging skills with our blacksmith or experiment with natural dyeing and sewing techniques in the fiber shed.

Find out more about the history of agriculture in Southern Rhode Island by visiting our living history farm. Meet the animals - including two heritage flocks of the official state bird, the Rhode Island Red, goats, and sheep.

Bring a bagged lunch to enjoy on-site before or after your tour. We have several picnic benches and can accommodate our guests inside the Metz building. As we are a campus-style museum, proper outdoor attire and insect repellent may be needed.

Our museum aims to provide students with an understanding and appreciation of Rhode Island's rich history.

Please visit https://www.southcountymuseum.org/ for details. To book a field trip email rebecca@southcountymuseum.org.

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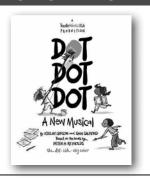
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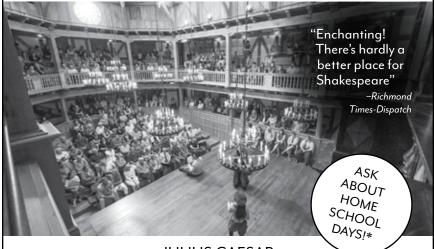
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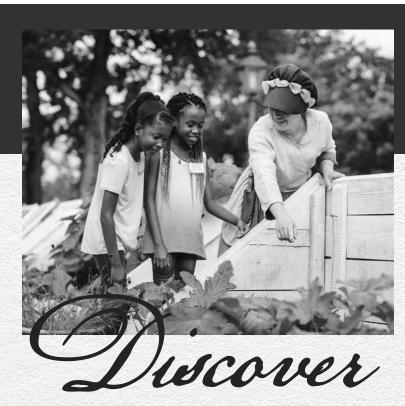
roles), and direct audience address (you may just have an actor pop onto the seat beside you or speak to you directly).

The ASC offers a HOME SCHOOL DAY each fall and spring semester. Homeschool Day includes a ticket to a student matinee, talk back with the actors, and a specialized workshop tied to the theme of that morning's performance. Home School Days performances begin at 10:30 am, with a live music intro at 10:15 am. In addition to dedicated Home School Days, you and your homeschool group are welcome at any scheduled Student Matinee performance—and there are weekend matinee and evening performances available throughout the year.

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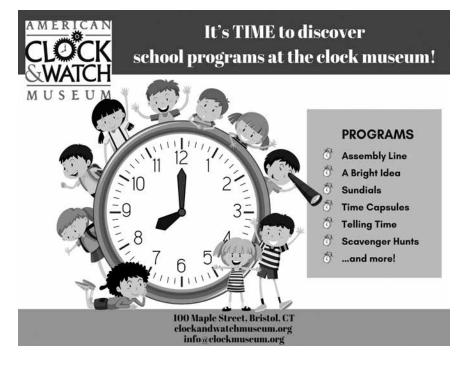
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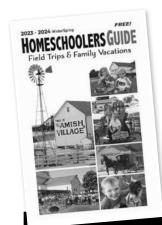
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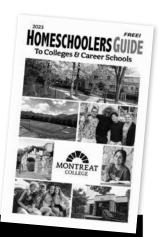




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