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THE LOST WORLD OF DRAGONS

May 25 — September 8, 2024



From *Game of Thrones* to *How to Train Your Dragon*, there is no denying that people of all ages love these magical creatures. Now you can experience them in an all-new way when you visit *The Lost World of Dragons*. Opening at RPM on May 25, 2024, this exhibit explores the histories of these legendary beasts and some of the cultures around the world that celebrate them.

The exhibition will feature a unique, custom, and interactive experience for guests of all ages. Visitors will

be immersed in the stories and mythology of dragons — exploring the lore and history of dragons in nearly every region and culture from Norway to ancient China. Hands-on displays and photo opportunities deeply engage visitors in the amazing world of dragons. *The Lost World of Dragons* celebrates and explores both the history of and science behind how the dragon myth has grown through ages and cultures.



Exploring the tales and tails of these ancient mythical beasts, *The Lost World of Dragons* is sure to breathe new fire into your imagination!

The Lost World of Dragons® was created by Stage 9 Exhibits and is distributed by Exhibits Development Group.



Scales of Gold, Wings of Jade: The Dragon in Art

May 25 — September 8, 2024

Celebrating the Year of the Dragon (2024), this exhibition explores the artistic theme of the dragon from the East to the West. Dragons and other mythical beasts have captured the imagination of artists and craftsmen for centuries, and historic narratives such as; Saint George and the Dragon; explore the dual nature of the fearsome yet revered creatures. In some cultures, dragons are a threatening symbol of evil, while in others, they are perceived as symbols of strength and wisdom. Drawn from The Museum's rich Permanent Collection, the exhibit complements *The Lost World of Dragons*, which runs concurrently. More than twenty works that feature dragon imagery including ceramics, ivory, sculpture, etchings, engravings, posters, and paintings from the seventeenth through the twentieth century will be on view.



Chinese (c. 1850), Antefix (Quilin-form Roof Tile), glazed earthenware, 10¾ x 4½ x 7½ inches, Museum Purchase, 1929.216.1.

The Amazing Castle

May 18 — September 8, 2024



Travel back in time to a fanciful, medieval village filled with opportunities for problem-solving, storytelling, and imaginative play. Plant and harvest your own vegetables in the garden then build a chair or make your own design in the carpenters' workshop. Use a metal patch to fix a hole in the blacksmith workshop, and dress in costumes to role-play as lords, ladies, and castle villagers.

Visitors to *The Amazing Castle*, a bilingual hands-on exhibit, are transported to a magical place and time. Inside the castle's stone walls lies a happy and peaceful little community where every citizen has a special job to do.

As visitors explore *The Amazing Castle* and its eight themed areas, they will encounter graphic panels introducing seven citizens who are part of the castle community. As they move through the castle, visitors can playfully explore ideas related to community life. Children will experience the interconnectedness of individuals as they interact with friends, family, and other visitors. *The Amazing Castle* is designed for visitors of all ages.

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Modern Visions: A Century of Master Prints

June 1 — September 2, 2024

Featuring over thirty iconic prints by modern masters and drawn entirely from the Reading Public Museum's collection, this engaging exhibit includes works by some of the most influential artists of the past one hundred years. Lithographs, monotypes, screenprints, color woodcuts, and etchings by Wassily Kandinsky, Joan Miró, Henri Matisse, Rene Magritte, Andre Masson, Henry Moore, Raphael Soyer, Andy Warhol, Robert Indiana, Louise Nevelson, Jim Dine, and Keith Haring, among others, are highlighted in this engaging show on view in The Museum's Works on Paper Gallery. Some of the key movements of twentieth-century art will be explored, including Expressionism, Surrealism, Social Realism, Abstraction, Pop and Op, Photo Realism, and more. The show examines diverse artistic voices and demonstrates how each printmaker pushed the boundaries of the medium in their own unique way.



John Von Wicht (American (born in Germany), 1888—1970), *Spring*, lithograph, 22½ x 27½, Gift, Douglas Berman and Peter Daferner, 2004.174.



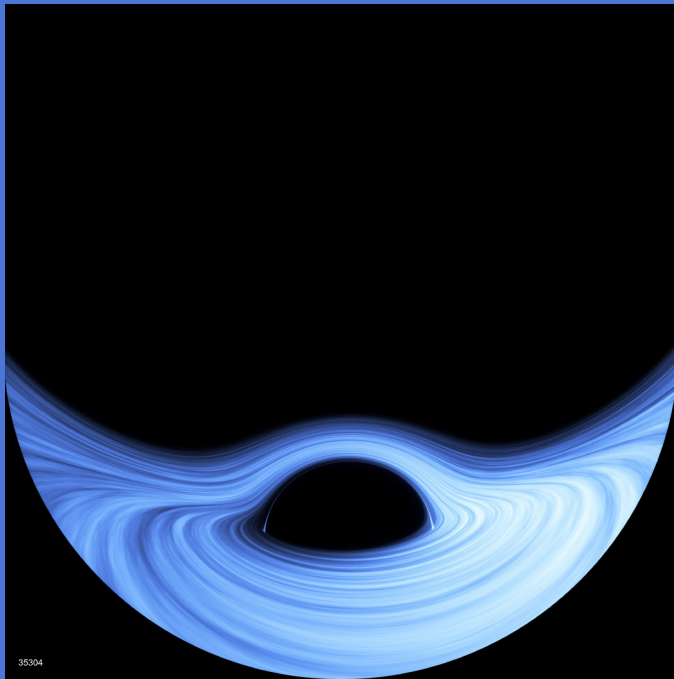
Dogs & Brews 2024

Get ready to unleash the hounds and tap into some fun! We are counting down the days until this year's Dogs & Brews, coming up on Sunday, May 26 from 12 to 4pm under the Stone Terrace Tent in front of The Museum. This event brings together our great community of people and furry friends to support The Museum with a fun day including:

- A meet-and-greet-with adoptable rescue pups
- Beer samples from local breweries
- Wine samples from local wineries
- Live music
- Food trucks
- Lawn games
- Raffle prizes
- Interactions with local pet rescues, organizations, and vendors

This event is fun for the whole family, including dogs! Souvenir tasting glasses will be available first come, first served. Information on ticket options and pricing, registration, and becoming a sponsor or vendor can be found on our website, or by emailing Sydney at sydney.ernst@readingpublicmuseum.org.

New Shows at the Neag Planetarium!



Supermassive Black Holes: Uncovering the Invisible

Weekdays and Sundays at 3pm
Recommended for ages 12 and up

Black holes are some of the most bizarre and fascinating objects in the cosmos. Astronomers want to study them, but there's one big problem – black holes are invisible! Since they don't emit any light, it's pretty tough to find them lurking in the inky void of space. Fortunately, there are a few different ways we can “see” black holes indirectly by watching how they affect their surroundings.

Leading scientists in observational and theoretical studies of black holes and galaxies, and professionals in science dissemination have been brought together

to set up research projects which will combine the latest state-of-the-art observations, numerical simulations and innovative analytic tools to compare theory with observation, and shed light on the physics of black hole formation in the context of galaxy evolution. This planetarium show will present the environments of black holes in an impressive and understandable way for all.

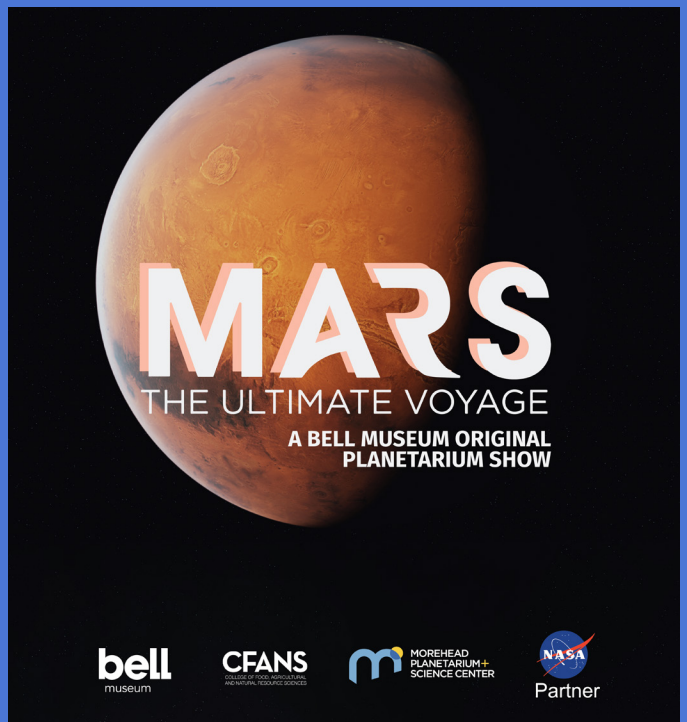
MARS: The Ultimate Voyage

Weekdays and Sundays at 4pm
Recommended for ages 12 and up

Ever wondered what it will take for astronauts to travel to the Moon, Mars, and beyond? On this long journey, what challenges will astronauts face? How will they stay motivated and healthy on their spacecraft so far away from Earth? The new, Bell original planetarium show *Mars: The Ultimate Voyage*, explores these questions and more!

On a two year journey to Mars, astronauts will face extraordinary challenges—long distances, a closed environment, isolation, altered gravity, and radiation. What will it take to get astronauts to Mars—and back—safely? This new, animated planetarium production highlights NASA research and training initiatives that are preparing the next generation of astronauts who will head to Mars. The film shows how creativity, collaboration, communication, and expertise in a diverse number of fields are key for the success of deep space travel—while also inspiring the next generation of STEM professionals! Witness what it takes to embark on the first human mission beyond Earth's orbit.

The Bell Museum collaborated with NASA and the UNC Morehead Planetarium and Science Center to create this new show. The work was funded by a NASA Teams Engaging Affiliated Museums and Informal Institutions (TEAM II) Award to the Bell Museum through the Regents of the University of Minnesota.



SPRING 2024 EDUCATION CALENDAR

Adult Programming

Questions - Contact Wendy at wendy.koller@readingpublicmuseum.org

Senior Series | 1pm

You are never too old to learn! Come to The Museum for this senior-friendly program, running on the 4th Friday of the month unless otherwise noted. All documentaries will be shown in The Neag Planetarium. Guests of all ages welcome. Registration is suggested. This program is FREE for Members and FREE with Museum admission.

- April 12 | Special presentation by Senior NASA Earth Science Education Specialist, Brian Campbell
- May 3 | Artist Talk – Ayana Ross
- June 21 | Topic TBD



Arboretum Education | 10am

Join us in the Arboretum for a variety of learning opportunities presented by Master Gardeners, avid horticulturists, and other industry specialists. Registration is suggested. FREE for Members and Arboretum Assistants and FREE with Museum admission or a \$5 donation to The Museum.

- April 23 | Small Space Gardening – Presenter TBD
- May 21 | Tool Sharpening and Safety – Presented by Joe Berish
- June 18 | Garden Party in the Pollinator Garden – Presented by Vicki Friedman and Pat Buzzard

YOGA in The Neag Planetarium | 5:30–6:30pm Tuesday Evenings

Led by a certified instructor, these yoga sessions in The Neag Planetarium provide gentle yoga relaxation under the stars.

- Spring Series 3 | May 7 to June 11

Registration is required. Pricing per series is \$30 for Museum Members and \$48 for Non-Members.

Bus Trips

Check website for updates. Cost includes transportation, museum admission, and lunch. To reserve your space please contact Wendy by email at wendy.koller@readingpublicmuseum.org or 610-371-5850 x223. Book both trips and save \$10!

National Museum of African American History & Culture

April 30, Bus departs at 7:30am

Join The Reading Public Museum as we discover the profound legacy of African Americans at the National Museum of African American History & Culture in Washington, D.C. Our day will begin with a special lunch followed by a self-guided visit to the National Museum of African American History & Culture. Through immersive exhibits, visitors are invited to explore the resilience, creativity, and contributions of African Americans throughout history. Delve into the struggles and triumphs of the Civil Rights Movement, engage with thought-provoking displays on race and social justice, and celebrate the cultural expressions that define African American identity. From the powerful rhythms of jazz to the artistic brilliance of luminaries like Langston Hughes and Maya Angelou, the museum offers a transformative journey that illuminates the enduring spirit of the human experience in America.

Pricing: \$200 for Museum Members, \$220 for Non-Members.

Reservations required by April 15.

Mary Cassatt at Work - Philadelphia Museum of Art

June 6, Bus departs at 8:45am

Join the Reading Public Museum as we travel to the Philadelphia Museum of Art to view the special exhibition *Mary Cassatt at Work*. Mary Cassatt, hailing from Pennsylvania, defied the conventional norms expected by Philadelphia's elite. While she gained recognition during her lifetime for her intimate portrayals of women and children, Cassatt's deeper exploration of gender and labor realities remains underappreciated. Her depiction of traditionally feminine activities such as embroidery, reading, and social appearances reveals her serious engagement with these themes. *Mary Cassatt at Work* will showcase over 130 diverse works that trace the artist's evolving practice and highlight her dedication to the profound aspects of art making. The exhibition will unveil new insights into Cassatt's choice of materials and innovative processes, which were ahead of her time. This coincides with a detailed technical study of the significant Cassatt holdings at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Following our tour, we will enjoy a casual lunch at the nearby Jack's Firehouse: Restaurant, Bar, & Grill before returning to the PMA to view the rest of the museum at your leisure.

Pricing: \$180 for Museum Members, \$200 for Non-Members.

Reservations required by May 15.

Family Programming

Questions - Contact Becky at becky.ruth@readingpublicmuseum.org

Sensory Inclusive Hours

The Reading Public Museum strives to be a place of life-long learning and enjoyment for guests of all ages and abilities. As a result, we will be hosting special sensory inclusive hours for guests and their caretakers who require a quieter atmosphere to explore The Museum. Guests who choose to pre-register will receive a pre-visit packet with information to share with their dependent. Registration is suggested. This program is FREE for Members and FREE with Museum admission.

- April 13 | 10-11am
- April 24 | 5-6pm
- May 8 | 5-6pm
- May 18 | 10-11am
- June 6 | 5-6pm
- June 8 | 10-11am

Private sensory hours can be scheduled by contacting Becky becky.ruth@readingpublicmuseum.org. Private sensory hours must be scheduled at least 2 weeks in advance and will be an additional \$50/hr. fee with a maximum attendance of 8 guests.

Homeschool Days | 9-11am

Join educators from The Museum for an exciting morning filled with special tours and hands-on projects that the whole family can enjoy! Programs are designed for elementary school age students (younger and older siblings welcome to participate). Check our website for themes!

- April 10
- April 24
- May 8
- May 22

Registration is required. Email Mary to register at mary.johnson@readingpublicmuseum.org. Deadline to register is the Monday prior to each program.

Pricing: \$15 for Members (includes 1 adult and 1 child), \$5 for each additional adult or child. \$20 for Non-Members (includes 1 adult and 1 child), \$7 for each additional adult or child. Includes Museum Admission for the day of the program. Pre-register for 6 classes and get the 7th free! Payment due at time of registration.



Subs and Science – Check our website for Summer dates!

Come to The Museum for some lunch and learning! This program is geared toward children PreK-8 years old and their grown-ups. The day will include a pre-ordered boxed lunch provided by Subway, hands-on crafts and activities, and free time to explore The Museum.

Pricing: \$25 for Members (1 adult and 1 child); \$11 for each additional child or adult (Subway boxed lunch is included in price). \$32 for Non-Members (1 adult and 1 child); \$11 for each additional child or adult (Subway boxed lunch is included in price).

The Lost World of Dragons Member Preview

• May 25 | 9–11am

Calling all Museum Members! Save the date for our members-only preview of our latest exhibit, *The Lost World of Dragons*. During this early access, visitors can explore the exhibit and make some fun crafts to take home. Please check our website for more details and information as it becomes available. Walk-ins welcome, crafts available while supplies last. This event is for Museum Members only and is FREE.

Knights & Princesses Family Brunch

• May 25 | 11am–1pm

Hear ye! Hear ye! In honor of RPM's featured summer exhibitions, all guests of The Museum realm are invited to a Knights & Princesses Family Brunch. Children will get to meet some members of the royal court in addition to receiving a fun craft to take home. Thank you to Body Zone Sports & Wellness Complex for being our event sponsor, and to Kathryn's Katering for providing the delicious food. This event is for Members and Non-Members.

Pricing: Adults-\$15; Children-\$20; Children 3 & under-FREE.

Slow Art Day

• April 13 | 11am–5pm

Visit The Museum to slow down and take in some of the wonderful art in our galleries. The Slow Art Day movement was started in 2010 to “help more people discover for themselves the joy of looking at and loving art.” Guided resources will be provided for attendees to help them relax and take in the featured artworks of the day. Registration is not required for this event, and it is FREE with Museum Admission.

Honoring Earth—An Earth Day Celebration

• April 22 | 3–5pm

Join Museum Educators for a celebration of our home in space, Planet Earth! Guests will be able to enjoy some fun activities while taking in and learning about the natural world around us. To register for this event, email Becky at becky.ruth@readingpublicmuseum.org. Registration is preferred for this event. The event is FREE, donations are appreciated!



Remake Learning Days | 11am–3pm

• May 4 – **Science Facts in Fiction at The Neag Planetarium**
Join Museum Educators and the S.P.A.R.K.S Foundation for a day of learning inspired by a world of space in a galaxy far, far away. Attendees can make crafts and projects while also engaging in fun experiments and activities. Snacks and drinks will also be provided. Registration for this event is required. Cost of admission is FREE, but we ask that you consider donating what you feel you can so that we can continue to provide these types of events in the future.

• May 11 – **A Journey into Nature's Neighborhoods**

Learners (and nature lovers) of all ages are invited to The Reading Public Museum to join Museum Educators and Berks

Nature to learn about our local natural neighborhoods and what we can do to preserve, support, and celebrate them. Registration is not required for this event. For questions, email Becky at becky.ruth@readingpublicmuseum.org. The event is FREE, donations are appreciated!

Pay What You Wish Days at RPM

In an effort to be accessible to everyone in our community, RPM has scheduled special Pay What You Wish Days. On these days, Museum general admission and Public Star Shows will be free. We ask that visitors who are able consider making a donation, no matter how big or small, so that we can continue these days in the future.

- May 18 | In participation with the International Council on Museums' Free Museum Day
- June 24 | In celebration of The National Day of Play

Nature All Around Us Family Programming with Berks Nature

- April 20 | 10am-2pm

Explore Citizen Science at The Reading Public Museum! This public event will fuel your inner scientist as you participate in global Citizen Scientist projects such as The Great Sunflower Project. Learn how bees pollinate and what kind of macroinvertebrates live in the protected waters of the Wyomissing Creek. This program will be presented by The Reading Public Museum and Berks Nature, as well as other community partners. FREE to attend and participate.

Scout and Camp Programming

See website for details and registration or contact Rebeka at rebeka.birch@readingpublicmuseum.org. In addition to the scheduled workshops listed here, we also offer an extensive selection of private scout programs.

Girl Scout Days at RPM!

- April 20 | 3-6pm – Citizen Scientists Activate! Workshop at RPM
- May 5 | 9am-12pm – Junior: Gardener (GSEP register through GSEP, all other councils through RPM)

Cub/Boy Scout Day at RPM

- May 7 | 5-8pm – WEBELO: Into the Woods

Museum Discovery Camp 2024

Keep your child learning while having fun this summer! Museum Discovery Camp is for children entering grades 1-5 in the fall of 2024. Camp days are from 9am-4pm.

- Week 1: June 10–14 - Space Out for Summer
- Week 2: June 17–21 - Backyard Scientist
- Week 3: June 24–28 - Catapults, Castles, and Creativity
- No camp the week of July 4th
- Week 4: July 8–12 - Fun with Forensics
- Week 5: July 15–19 - Medieval Time Traveler
- Week 6: July 22–26 - Gross Weird Science
- Week 7: July 29–August 2 - Craft that Culture
- Week 8: August 5–9 - Masterpiece Maker
- Week 9: August 12–16 - It's a Mystery
- Week 10: August 19–23 - Art into Autumn

Pricing:

- Member Early Bird – March 1 – April 30 - \$155.00/week/camper
- Non-Member Early Bird – April 1 – April 30 - \$185.00/week/camper
- Member Regular – May 1 – Close - \$180.00/week/camper
- Non-Member Regular – May 1 – Close - \$205.00/week/camper



*All campers must be preregistered. Registration closes the Monday prior to the start of the camp week. All monies and completed forms must be submitted by that time and confirmed or registration cannot be guaranteed. Contact Rebeka Birch for details or to register at rebeka.birch@readingpublicmuseum.org.

Another Hole-in-One at Golfin' in the Galleries!



RPM kicked off the year with our fantastic signature event and fundraiser, Golfin' in the Galleries. On February 16, Museum Members and supporters roamed the galleries and explored The Museum's collection while playing 18 holes of mini golf. The event raised funds to help RPM continue its mission of education, engagement, and enlightenment in our community. Thank you to everyone who participated in the event through donations and sponsorships: The Stevens & Lee Companies, Berkshire Systems Group Inc., Masano Bradley, Tompkins

Community Bank, Burkey Construction, The Haverford Trust Company, Athletico/PIVOT Physical Therapy, Barley Snyder, Securitas, Laughing Rock Technologies, Herbein, U.S. Digestive Health, Brentwood Industries, RKL, Berks Fire Water Inc., Pagoda Electrical, Suzy Rae Designs, and Zerbe Photography.

Letter from the Director

I am extremely excited to be settling into my new home in Berks County, and equally as excited to begin my tenure at The Reading Public Museum. With such a rich collection and incredible educational offerings, I look forward to learning more and more about all we do for our community.

With that said, I want to delve into a bit of what is currently going on at The Museum. As some of you may have seen on your daily walks through The Arboretum, we just completed the installation of a new sculpture by Arizona artist John Tuomisto-Bell. A wonderfully abstracted depiction of a horse and rider, it is sure to draw your attention with its bronze finish and vibrant coloring. Tuomisto-Bell is based out of Phoenix, where he operates his own foundry, working in the lost wax casting method. In addition to having works housed in several museum collections, such as the Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art, he has also had works commissioned for public spaces in Arizona, including the city of Tempe.



Geoffrey K. Fleming

In terms of new exhibitions, I would draw your attention to two in particular, *Danny Lyon: Memories of the Southern Civil Rights Movement* and *Ayana Ross: Whence You Came*. The former, organized by art2art Circulating Exhibitions, features iconic images from the American Civil Rights Movement, and encapsulates the difficult struggles faced by African Americans that continue to this day. Danny Lyon, who took these images between 1962 and 1964, served as a staff photographer for the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), and traveled across the south and mid-Atlantic region documenting the actions of all those that supported the cause for freedom and equality.

In the latter, figurative painter Ayana Ross has created works in a realist style that address social issues through historical references rooted in the long and turbulent history of the American south. Rich in color and detail, these beautifully painted works remind me of the Dutch masters, with all that beauty hinting at hidden meanings that are woven delicately into the paintings. It should be no surprise that Ross has studied at important institutions, including the University of North Carolina (Greensboro) and the Savannah College of Art and Design, and has taught both publicly and privately in addition to her contributions to the fashion industry. Her works have been exhibited widely, including at the Arnot Museum of Art, Bo Bartlett Center, and the Muskegon Museum of Art. Do not miss either of these wonderful installations!

In addition to our exhibitions, the season will soon be upon us when our Arboretum springs to life, and color and greenery will soon envelop and surround us at The Museum, so please come visit us and enjoy everything we have to offer!

Events

Family programming in RED
Adult programming in BLUE
Scout and Camp programming in GREEN
* = Requires registration/tickets

For more information visit our website or call the Education Department at 610-371-5850 x255.

Nature All Around Us Reception*

• April 4 | 5:30-7pm
Price: \$10 for Museum and Berks Nature Members, \$20 for Non-Members.
Email sydney.ernst@readingpublicmuseum.org to RSVP.

Ayana Ross: Whence You Came Reception*

• May 3 | 5:30-7:30pm
Artist Ayana Ross will be in attendance.
Price: \$10 for Museum Members \$20 for Non-Members.
Email sydney.ernst@readingpublicmuseum.org to RSVP.

Dogs & Brews*

• May 26 | 12-4pm
Details on page 4.

Dinner Series featuring The Lost World of Dragons*

• June 20 | 5:30-9pm
All dinners begin with cocktail hour at 5:30pm. Dinner starts at 6:30pm. Catering by Devour Catering & Event Design. Visit website for pricing. Email sydney.ernst@readingpublicmuseum.org to RSVP. Seats are limited.



More programs listed on back page.
For details on events and updates to the calendar, visit: readingpublicmuseum.org

What's new at The Museum? Easily bookmark our website using the upper right hand corner on your browser for quick access to The Museum's website and stay up-to-date on any pop-up programs or event changes.

Visit: readingpublicmuseum.org

Join Your Museum Today!

The Reading Public Museum is dynamic and ever-changing, offering diverse exhibitions all year long! Temporary exhibitions featuring science and art combine with our permanent galleries to offer you an engaging experience every time you visit. As a Member, every visit to The Museum and Neag Planetarium is FREE! Plus, there are even more benefits.

Please visit readingpublicmuseum.org and click on "Join and Support" for complete details and to join securely online.

The Museum Shop

Looking for a unique gift? You'll find handmade gifts, toys and games for children, exquisite jewelry, and more. Our stock is always changing, so stop in often to see our new items! Open during regular Museum hours (no admission required). Members receive 10% off every day!

Book a Group Visit

We're thrilled to welcome eager and attentive learners from Pre-K to Seniors on a daily basis. Group rates apply to 10 or more people. For more information or to book a group, contact wendy.koller@readingpublicmuseum.org.

Book Your Event

The Museum is home to Berks County's most treasured and distinctive wedding and event venues. Among our Fine Art Galleries, Neag Planetarium, and Stone Terrace Tent, we have a venue to accommodate every size and budget. For more information, please contact kara.seawell@readingpublicmuseum.org.

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Museum Hours

Daily: 11am to 5pm
For Holiday hours, please check our website.

Museum Admission

\$10 Adult (18-64); \$6 Seniors/Children/College Students (w/ID); Members and Children 3 and under are free.

Planetarium Hours

Sun 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6pm plus Weekday Shows at 2, 3, 4 & 5pm (Mon-Fri with some exceptions).

Show prices (for each show):
\$8 Adults (18-64); \$6 Seniors/Children/College Students (w/ID); Members and Children 3 and under are free. Buy tickets at the Museum desk.

In the Neag Planetarium

Sunday Shows April-June

1pm - *The Zula Patrol: Down to Earth*
2pm - *Stars*
3pm - *Supermassive Black Holes: Uncovering the Invisible*
4pm - *MARS: The Ultimate Journey*
5pm - *The James Webb Telescope Show*
6pm - *Arqueoastronomía Mexicana (De idioma español)*

Weekday shows

2pm - *Stars*
3pm - *Supermassive Black Holes: Uncovering the Invisible*
4pm - *MARS: The Ultimate Journey*
5pm - *The James Webb Space Telescope Show*
(Wednesdays only)

Floyd Final Fridays:

4/26, 5/31, 6/28
7pm - *Pink Floyd: Wish You Were Here*
8pm - *Pink Floyd: Dark Side of the Moon*
9pm - *Pink Floyd: The Wall*

EXHIBIT CALENDAR

Natural Histories: 400 Years of Scientific Illustration
Through May 5, 2024

Danny Lyon: Memories of the Southern Civil Rights Movement
Through May 12, 2024

Nature All Around Us
Through May 12, 2024

Ayana Ross: Whence You Came
Through June 2, 2024

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APRIL

Solar Eclipse Extravaganza
• April 8 | 2-4pm

Homeschool Day*
• April 10 | 9-11am
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NASA at RPM/Senior Series*
• April 12 | 9am-1pm
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Sensory Inclusive Hours*
• April 13 | 10-11am
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Slow Art Day
• April 13 | 11am-5pm
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STEM Sunday*
• April 14 | 12-3pm

Explore Citizen Science at The Reading Public Museum
• April 20 | 10am-2pm
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Girl Scout Workshop – Citizen Scientist*
• April 20 | 3-6pm
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Honoring the Earth – Earth Day Celebration*
• April 22 | 3-5pm
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Arboretum Education*
• April 23 | 10-11am
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Homeschool Day*
• April 24 | 9-11am
Details on page 7.

Sensory Inclusive Hours*
• April 24 | 5-6pm
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Libraries in the Arboretum
• April 25 | 10am-12pm

Senior Series*
• April 26 | 1-2pm
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Bus Trip – Museum of African American History & Culture
• April 30 | 7:30am
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Senior Series*
• May 3 | 1-2pm
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Remake Learning Day
• May 4 | 11am-3pm
Topic: Science Facts in Fiction at The Neag Planetarium
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Girl Scout Workshop – Junior Gardener*
• May 5 | 9am-2pm
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Yoga Series 3 Begins*
• May 7 | 5:30-6:30pm
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Homeschool Day*
• May 8 | 9-11am
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Remake Learning Day
• May 11 | 11am-3pm
Topic: A Journey into Nature's Neighborhoods
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Sensory Inclusive Hours*
• May 18 | 5-6pm
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(ICOM) Pay What You Wish Day
• May 18 | 11am-5pm
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Knights and Princesses Family Brunch
• May 25 | 11am-1pm
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Arboretum Plant Sale
• May 26 | 9am-4pm

JUNE

Bus Trip – Philadelphia Museum of Art*
• June 6 | 8:45am
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Sensory Inclusive Hours*
• June 6 | 5-6pm
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Sensory Inclusive Hours*
• June 8 | 10-11am
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Summer Camp Week 1*
• June 10-14 | 9am-4pm
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Summer Camp Week 2*
• June 17-21 | 9am-4pm
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Arboretum Education*
• June 18 | 10-11am
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Summer Camp Week 3*
• June 24-28 | 9am-4pm
Details on page 9.

National Day of Play / Pay What You Wish Day
• June 24 | 11am-3pm
Details on page 9.

JULY

Sensory Inclusive Fireworks
• July 3 | 5-8pm

STEM Sunday*
• July 21 | 12-3pm
Theme: Reptiles on the Rocks

In Nature's Studio Performances presented by the Reading Theater Project
• July 21 | 4-7pm

Looking ahead: Save these dates in 2024 to attend our most popular annual events and programs!

Dogs and Brews 5/26 • Summer Camp weeks of 6/10 through 8/19, excluding the week of 7/1 • Dinner Series 6/20 and 10/24
Night at The Museum 9/21 • Trick or Treat 10/26 • Purchase Party 11/14 • Pictures with Santa 12/8

For details on events and updates to the calendar, visit: readingpublicmuseum.org