



# Field Trip Guide



**EXPLORE**  
inspires inquiry

**PLAY**  
engages imagination

**CREATE**  
fosters individuality

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## Field Trips - Aug-May

Group sizes of 10 students or more, up to 2 classrooms with a workshop, are welcome to schedule a museum visit with a workshop on weekdays, Monday - Friday, starting as early as 10 am. Workshops meet appropriate standards and are led by a Museum Educator.



### Field Trips Include:

- an orientation upon arrival
- 2 hour field trip including a workshop of your choice
  - online option for social story and/or scavenger hunt guide to the museum
- a reserved lunch/snack space upon request

## Group Visits

Any group of 10 or more may schedule a museum visit during Museum hours at least one week in advance.

### Group Visits Include:

- an orientation upon arrival
- up to 2 hour self-guided museum visit
- online option for social story and/or scavenger hunt guide to the museum
- a reserved lunch/snack space upon request

## Cost of Field Trips & Group Visits

**FIELD TRIPS** - discount rate of **\$6 per child**, regardless of membership  
**GROUP VISITS** - discount rate of **\$5 per child**, regardless of membership

Adult chaperone - suggested 1 per 5 children - **FREE**

Payment due same day of visit.

We accept cash, purchase orders, and credit/debit payments

# Museum Etiquette:

To ensure that your students have a safe and fun time, we ask that you review the following before your visit:

- Use walking feet
- Use indoor voices
- Provide active adult supervision
- Demonstrate respect & sharing
- Help keep the Museum tidy & treat toys and exhibits gently
- Have FUN!



## Weather Policy:

In the event of school closure, the Children's Museum is happy to reschedule booked visits.

## Parking Policy

Our parking lot entrance is located on 5th Avenue between Cushman and Barnette.

**This is where busses should drop off and pick up students.**

# Welcome Field Trip Chaperone!

As you will find, learning at the Museum looks a lot like playing. Kids know just what to do here! The students' inquisitive nature emerges and their creativity and imagination flourishes as they naturally role play, make observations, question what they see and experience, and test and share their own ideas.

## How you can help ensure a successful and fun visit:

- Engage with students and provide active adult supervision
- Help students follow museum play guidelines and stay safe
- Assist in workshops and end of visit museum tidy.
- Ensure food and drink stay at snack table or classrooms

The best part of watching children play is discovering how capable they are! Before you stop a child from doing something, watch them. Or ask any staff member in an apron how something should be used.

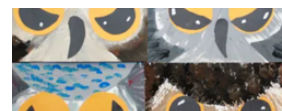
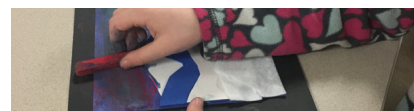
Engaged parent chaperones are essential for a successful visit to our hands-on museum!

**Thank you!**



# Workshops at a Glance

- 1 What Makes an Insect?**  
**Appropriate Grade Level: K-4** **art • science**  
Learn about what makes insects unique. Use recyclables to create and build an insect to take home. 50-60 min
- 2 What a Hoot!**  
**Appropriate Grade Level: K-3** **art • science**  
Students will create their own owl portrait to take home after learning about owls and their unique characteristics. 50-60 min
- 3 Yup'ik Patterns - Math in a Cultural Context**  
**Appropriate Grade Level 2-5** **art • math**  
Explore math through pattern making with a cultural twist. Here, students will learn from elders how to make a perfect square and create a pattern fit for a beautiful parka in this lesson adapted from the math in a cultural context series. 50-60 min
- 4 Space Travelers**  
**Appropriate Grade Level 1-3** **Physics - science**  
Blast off into space centers through theatrical play and exploration of science station provided and created by the NISE Network. 30-40 min
- 5 Up in the Clouds**  
**Appropriate Grade Level K-3** **art- Science**  
Learn about cloud types, how clouds form, and why they are important. Use cotton balls, chalk, and shaving cream paint to make 6 different types of clouds that can go home 35-45 min
- 6 Mammoth Toothpaste**  
**Appropriate Grade Level PK-3** **SEL • science**  
Here your students will learn about lab safety while sharpening their observation skills. They will participate in the joys of mixing ingredients and watching chemicals react in this foamy experiment. 45- 55 min
- 7 Magnificent Machines**  
**Appropriate Grade Level 1-4** **STEAM • physics**  
Explore stations about simple machines while testing out different variables. Students will build, test, and take home a machine of their own! 45-55 min
- 8 Musical Masterpieces**  
**Appropriate Grade Level K-3** **art • music**  
Exploring **The Noisy Paint Box** (Barb Rosenstock), your students will not only delve into experimental watercolor play, but have melodious fun along the way as they make a creation of their own. 30- 40 min
- 9 Oh, the Ways That We Go**  
**Appropriate Grade Level 1-2** **art • AK History**  
Travel through time and explore how humans have traveled in Alaska. Create a multimedia art piece inspired by bush plane travel and the scenery around us. 45-50 min



# Workshops

## 1 What Makes an Insect

### **Appropriate Grade Levels: K-4**

Students will be guided through a workshop to explore the parts that make insects unique. The book *How to build an Insect* by Roberta Gibson & Anne Lambelet will be shared. Students will then be released to create their own insects using a of a wide variety of recyclables and other craft materials.

### **Alaska Essential State Standards:**

Art: VA:CR2a-K/1/2/3, VA:CR2b-K/1/2/3  
Science: K-LS1-1, 1-LS1-1, 2-LS4-1, 3-LS1-1, 3-LS3-2

## 2 What a Hoot!

### **Appropriate Grade Levels: K-3**

Your students will step into the role of bird watchers, learning the noticeable features of owls: beaks, wings, feathers, shape of body, and different species. Students will also create their own owl friend to take home. [Literature, Art, Drama, Science]

### **Alaska Essential State Standards:**

Art: VA:CR2a (K/1/2/3), VA:CR2b (K/1/2/3)  
Science: K-ESS3-1, 1-LS1-2, 2-LS4-1, 3-LS3-2

## 3 Yup'ik Patterns

### **Appropriate Grade Levels: 2-5**

Yupik people have been making clothes and designing patterns without using modern measuring devices for generations. In this workshop, students will learn how to make a square from scrap paper, learn the basics of parka patterns, and make a pattern they can take home.

### **Alaska Essential State Standards:**

Art: VA:CR1a-K/1/2/3, VA:CR2a-K/1/2/3  
Science: K-2-ETS1-1, 2-PS1-1, 3-PS2-3

## 4 Space Travelers

### **Appropriate Grade Levels: 1-3**

Space is one of the most exciting places for us to think about; there's so little we know and so much left to learn. In this workshop, students will explore the different parts of space (moons, planets, stars) and see what they're able to create. They will move around between stations and explore all that's out there!

### **Alaska Essential State Standards:**

Science: K-PS2-2, 1-ESS1-1, K-2-ETS1-2, 3-PS2-2  
Art: VA:CR1b-K/1/2/3, VA:CR2a-K/1/2/3

## 5 Up in the Clouds

### **Appropriate Grade Levels: 1-3**

Join us for some cirrus-ly fun lesson in weather and clouds! In this workshop, students will learn about cloud types and what makes clouds special through story, hands-on activities, and creating cloud art with different mediums.

### **Alaska Essential State Standards:**

Art: VA:CR1a-K/1/2/3, VA:CR2a-K/1/2/3  
Science: K-2-ETS1-1, 2-PS1-1, 3-PS2-3



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## Mammoth Toothpaste

**Appropriate Grade Levels: Pre-K-3**

Here your students will learn about lab safety while sharpening their observation skills. They will participate in the joys of mixing ingredients, watching chemicals react, colors change, and making a foamy creation of their own. [Science]

**Alaska Essential State Standards:**

Science: K-2-ETS1-2, 3-5-ETS1-3

Reading: SL1-K/1/2/3



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## Magnificent Machines

**Appropriate Grade Levels: K-4**

Machines impact nearly everything we do every day and simple machines are what started it all. Students will go through a series of stations that teach about these magnificent machines. They will have the opportunity to learn about how they can use these inventions to make life a little bit easier and they will also build a machine to take home.

**Alaska Essential State Standards:**

Science: K-PS2-1, K-PS2-2, 1-PS4-1, 2-PS1-1, 2-PS1-2, 3-PS2-1, 3-PS2-2

Math: MP1, MP4, MP5

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## Musical Masterpieces

**Appropriate Grade Levels: K-3**

Exploring **The Noisy Paint Box: The Colors and Sounds of Vasya Kandinsky's Abstract Art** (Barb Rosenstock), your students will not only delve into experimental watercolor techniques, but have melodious fun along the way as they share in the creation of musical artwork. [Art, Music, Literature]

**Alaska Essential State Standards:**

Art: MU:PR4a-K/1/2/3, VA:CR3a-K/1/2/3

Reading: RE1 (K/1/2/3), RE3 (K/1/2/3)



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## Oh, the Ways That We Go

**Appropriate Grade Levels: 1-2**

Alaska is a pretty unique place to live with unique travel restrictions such as snow or frozen ice in the winter. Students will learn about the history of travel in Interior Alaska and create art to showcase our landscape and some travel techniques we still use.

**Alaska Essential State Standards:**

History: A1, B1, C3, D6

Art: VA:CR2a-K/1/2/3, VA:CN10a-K/1/2/3



# FAQs

## **- My class is really young. Are there options for preschool ages? -**

Yes! We love our preschools groups! We would be happy to schedule a group visit for your students to enjoy a day of play at the museum.

We also have weekly Pre-K programming:

*Mess Makers - Wednesdays at 11am*

*Moving & Grooving - Thursdays at 11am*

*Pint-Size Science - Fridays at 11am*

## **- How long are field trips? -**

Field trips can last up to 2 hours including workshops and snack/lunch breaks. Workshops usually last between 45 and 55 minutes but some can be shorter at around 30 min

## **- Some of my students have memberships, can they use them for the field trip? -**

Children's Museum memberships do not apply to field trips or group visits. Groups are offered accommodations and staff support beyond the scope of normal Museum memberships.

## **- What is the attendance limit for group visits and workshops? -**

We allow groups of up to 2 classrooms (about 50 students). Workshops are taught to one classroom (about 25 students) at a time. Some groups may be split into 2 for workshops and may rotate from the museum exhibit space to the classroom. We do recommend booking on a Monday with 2 classrooms for a more private experience

## **- How many adults can attend as free chaperones? -**

1 free adult chaperone per 5 children is recommended.

## **Have a unique group size or different situation?**

Please feel free to contact us. We can usually make something work!

Mondays are often the days we can accomodate larger groups.

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