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Summer ArtVentures at the Biggs Museum
Summer 2009 Youth Programming



Dover, DE – What better way to spend your lazy summer days than with Bigsby the Bumblebee at the Biggs Museum! The Biggs Museum is pleased to present *Summer ArtVentures*: five unique half-day art adventures designed to inspire creativity by creating original works of art. Each *ArtVenture* is led by the Museum’s Educator and is held in the Museum for one day from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Practice your acting skills with puppets at the Act your “Art” Out, sculpt seashells at Bigsby’s Beach Party, or channel a hippie and tie dye a t-shirt at the Tie Dye Party!

ArtVenture Participants can register for one or all *ArtVentures*. The *Summer ArtVentures* program fee is \$25/*ArtVenture* for Family Members and \$30/*ArtVenture* for Not-Yet Family Members. All materials are provided for the *ArtVentures*. Pre-registration is required and can be completed on-line or by phone.

Event Quick-Stats

Event: Summer *ArtVentures*: Tie Dye Party!

Date: Tuesday, July 14

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Price: \$25 Family Members/\$30 Not-Yet Members, Children Ages 5-10

Description: A tie dye t-shirt is bright, vivid, and buckets of fun to make. Throw in some psychedelic cupcakes and we have a great excuse for a party! Participants will also create fun and funky swirl patterns on fabric with marbling techniques to cover a blank journal to take home.

Event: Summer *ArtVentures*: Act your “Art” Out

Date: Thursday, July 16

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Price: \$25 Family Members/\$30 Not-Yet Members, Children Ages 5-10

Description: After creating paper bag puppets, participants will help to decorate our own Biggs Puppet Theater and pop our own popcorn before performing their own puppet show.

Event: Summer *ArtVentures*: Butterflies and Bugs

Date: Tuesday, July 21

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Price: \$25 Family Members/\$30 Not-Yet Members, Children Ages 5-10

Description: Create flutter bug finger puppets, egg carton critters and a bug hotel. We will make butterfly cupcakes and ants on a log for snacks.

Event: Summer *ArtVentures*: Go Wild: Art on Safari

Date: Thursday, July 23

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Price: \$25 Family Members/\$30 Not-Yet Members, Children Ages 5-10

Description: Create a bottle cap snake, monkey pipe cleaners, and wild animal mask. We will make “cups of dirt” and trail mix to keep our energy up during our safari.

Event: Summer *ArtVentures*: Beach Party

Date: Tuesday, July 28

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Price: \$25 Family Members/\$30 Not-Yet Members, Children Ages 5-10

Description: Dive into clay as we focus on sculpting seashells and marine life before discovering the joy of metal and creating beach sculptures with wire. Make fun beach pudding and star fish sandwiches.

Registration Information

All events and programs are held at the Biggs Museum. Pre-registration and prepayment (where applicable) are required for all programs and events (including *Biggs Kids* and *Mini-Masters*). Pre-registration can be completed by:

Phone: (302)674-2111, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

On-Line: visit the Gift Shop at www.biggsmuseum.org. Visit the Education Section to register for *Biggs Kids* and *Mini-Masters*.

Pre-registration for *First Friday* programs are accepted only by phone.

About the Museum

The Biggs Museum seeks to serve a diverse public as a regional museum of fine and decorative arts, made from 1700 to present, representing the State of Delaware and the surrounding Mid-Atlantic region. The Biggs Museum engages audiences through a compelling program of temporary exhibitions and programming. The Biggs Museum encourages the development of creativity and an appreciation for art by offering a

comprehensive slate of educational programming for all ages. The Biggs Museum of American Art is a private, non-profit 501(c) (3) organization.

Hours of Operation: Tuesday through Saturday; 9:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Sunday; 1:30 p.m. until 4: 30 p.m.

Admission: Biggs Museum is free to the public year-round. Fees may apply to certain programs and special events.

The Biggs Museum of American Art

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