




NEW JERSEY
STATE MUSEUM

2022-2023

FIELD TRIP GUIDE

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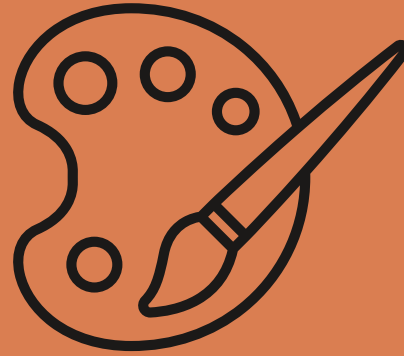
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WELCOME



OUR MISSION

The New Jersey State Museum is a center for the exploration of science, history and the arts. We preserve and share stories that inspire curiosity and creativity for the enrichment of our communities.

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RULES & RESERVATIONS

When you call or email our reservation line, please have the following information ready:

- Desired date of visit & one alternate
- Number of students and adults attending
- Arrival and departure times
- Programs you are interested in. If you aren't sure, we can help create your day!
- Here during lunch? Reserve an indoor eating space for your group.

Programs & Payments:

- Reservations for programs must be made at least two weeks in advance.
 - Groups will receive a confirmation at their time of booking, followed by an invoice.
- Full payment is due two weeks before the program date.
 - Please confirm final head count at time of payment.
 - We accept credit cards, confirmed POs and checks made out to "Treasurer, State of New Jersey."
 - Trenton Public School District and Title 1 schools receive a 20% discount.

Things to know:

- We require at least one chaperone for every 10 students.
- We suggest arriving 15 minutes BEFORE your first activity to drop off lunches, use the restroom and be ready! Groups arriving late will be accommodated to the best of our ability. However, we are unable to offer refunds for programs missed due to lateness.

From adventures on Mars
to the ancient Maya, we
have shows for all age
groups and interests!

Cost

\$5 per person,
including teachers
and chaperones.

**Payment due two
weeks in advance**



PLANETARIUM

Showtimes: 10 AM, 11 AM and 1 PM, Tuesday - Friday

- Shows begin promptly at the scheduled time. We are unable to issue refunds for late arrivals.
- Group Size: Our planetarium seats 140 people; larger groups will be scheduled for two or more shows. The minimum group size is 15 attendees.
- Visit the **LEARN** tab on our website for a complete list of shows and trailers. Shows are 25-45 minutes long. Most shows also include a Sky Talk about the New Jersey night sky.

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WORKSHOPS

Examine real fossils, engineer a home or express your artistry! Enhance your field trip with these hands-on experiences, designed around New Jersey's curriculum standards.

- Workshops are 45 minutes long.
- Group Size: 15-30 students per workshop session. Minimum group size is 15 attendees. Groups larger than 30 will be divided into multiple sessions. At this time, we cannot accommodate groups larger than 200 students.

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Wide World of Weather

(Grades K-4)

Explore Earth's dynamic weather and climate patterns, and experiment with an electrifying weather phenomenon!



Junior Paleontologist

(Grades 2-8)

New Jersey is a fantastic place to find fossils! We'll explore the state's fossil record through games and examine real fossils - some hundreds of millions of years old.



Hearth & Home

(Grades 4-8)

Looking to the Lenape for inspiration, student teams construct home models designed to combat the climate challenges of North American ecosystems.



Lenape Artistic Traditions

(Grades K-5)

Delve into Lenape art and cultural expression to connect with New Jersey's first people, past and present.

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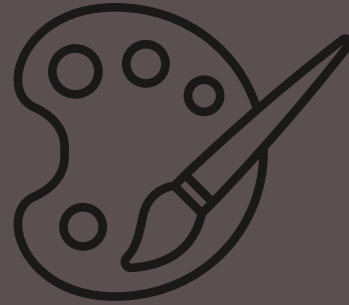
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Exploring science, art and history with PreK & Kindergarten through creative play, crafts and storytelling.

Cost

\$4 per student

Payment due two weeks in advance



EARLY LEARNING

- Workshops are 45 minutes long.
- Group Size: 15-20 students per workshop session. Minimum group size is 15 attendees. Groups larger than 20 will be divided into multiple sessions.

Paint Me a Story

Art and storytelling go hand in hand as we discover how the art on display tells stories and engages our minds and bodies.

Stars & Shapes Forever

Meet our favorite star and the planets that orbit in our solar system. Then design your own special planet!

Dino Motion

Discover how dinosaurs and prehistoric reptiles moved through their environments as we combine science, imaginative play and detective work.

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ASK THE EXPERTS

Meet the Museum's scientists –
and bring your toughest questions!

- Live science talks are 45 minutes long, best for grades 3-12.
- Group Size: Up to 150 students per session. Minimum group size is 15 attendees.
- Virtual options available - Zoom our expert into YOUR classroom! For better student participation, groups larger than 50 students may wish to split into multiple virtual sessions.



Cost

\$5 per student

**Payment due two
weeks in advance**



Fossil Hunters of New Jersey

New Jersey abounds with fossils! Paleontologist Dr. Dana Ehret shares exciting fossil discoveries from throughout the state, what fossils tell us about ancient ecosystems, and the challenges paleontologists face in this adventurous field.

People of the Past: Archaeology in NJ

How do artifacts help archaeologists understand the lives of prehistoric humans? Archaeologist Dr. Gregory Lattanzi leads this exploration of the unique artifacts found here, and what they tell us about the lifestyle of New Jersey's first people.



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Bring the Museum to you with three incredible kits for distance learning!

Each kit features a gallery tour*, hands-on craft project, and three classroom-ready worksheets.

VIRTUAL FIELD TRIPS



Fantastic Fossils

Meet our favorite prehistoric New Jersey creatures and the science of digging them up.



Art & Inspiration

Discover modern and contemporary art at the museum and all around you!



Lenape Artistry

Explore the cultural heritage and rich artistic traditions of New Jersey's Lenape people.

*Pre-recorded, interactive tours use Google Classroom..
Tour content may differ based on grade level.

Cost

\$75 per kit of 25 projects

\$30/box shipping,
or FREE in-person
pick up

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Choose your adventure:
Explore on your own with
gallery activities or join an
expert docent for an
insightful tour!

EXHIBITIONS & TOURS

- We offer printed guides and activity sheets for both Pre-K and older students in our Archaeology, Cultural History, Natural History and Fine Art galleries to help your students engage and explore.
- Reserve a guided tour of the gallery of your choice, led by our expert docent corps, to prompt deeper connections.
- Group size for tours: Groups larger than 30 students may be split into multiple tours. The minimum group size is 15 attendees.

Cost

Tours are **FREE**
and must be
reserved two
weeks in advance

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LIVE THEATRE

Returning for the 2022-2023
school year with two performances
in the spring!

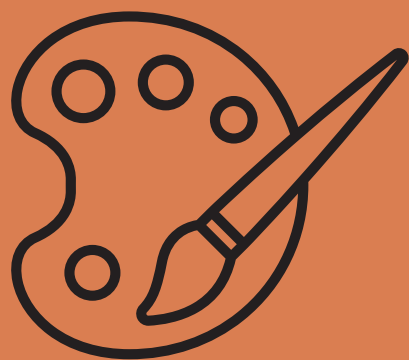
- Group Size: Large groups are easily accommodated in our 384-seat auditorium. Minimum group size is 15 attendees.
- Watch our website, social media and teacher newsletters for show announcements!



Cost

\$5 per person

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HOMESCHOOLS

Join us for shows, in person or virtual
programs, and tours!

- Groups of 15 students or more are invited to reserve any of our programs and presentations.

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Your safety is our priority, following the State of New Jersey's guidelines.

SAFETY GUIDELINES

- As of the date of this guide, September 2022, we follow masking recommendations based on the CDC's Community Level data for Mercer County, New Jersey.
- Masks will be available to both students and chaperones upon request, free of charge.
- During your visit, we will also provide protection against attacks by prehistoric marine reptiles, such as *Mosasaurus maximus*.

Please Note:

All programs are subject to change. We reserve the option to reschedule or cancel programs if we are unable to serve you.

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