



2019 SUMMER CAMPS



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AT THE MILWAUKEE PUBLIC MUSEUM



From the Streets of Old Milwaukee to the prehistoric world, MPM's summer camp programs take you to extraordinary places. Kids will become astronomy experts, dinosaur explorers, geologists, or junior curators! MPM campers explore exhibits, get behind-the-scenes access to real artifacts and collections, and participate in a variety of fun, engaging activities! Give your child an unforgettable summer of fun and learning at MPM's summer camps.

EARLY EXPLORERS CAMPS

For: Campers entering K4 and K5 in Fall 2019

Cost per camp: \$25, \$20 members

When: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday (various days) from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Campers will:

- Experience exhibit explorations.
- Engage in hands-on activities stimulating all of their senses.
- Make a Museum-related activity to take home.

CURIOSITY CREW CAMPS

For: Campers entering grades 1 - 4 in 2019

Cost per camp: \$85, \$75 members

When: Monday-Tuesday & Wednesday-Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Campers will:

- Explore exhibits while investigating their camp topic.
- Engage in hands-on activities and demonstrations.
- Meet Museum experts.
- Enjoy a Planetarium program or Dome Theater show.



EARLY EXPLORERS CAMPS

MPM offers a variety of early learning camps for children entering K4 or K5 in Fall 2019. Butterflies, dinosaurs, jungle animals, and stars are just a few of the exciting topics our early explorers will discover. These one-day morning camps provide ample opportunities for our campers to have fun and be creative while learning about their world.

When: Tuesday-Friday (days/times vary on weekly basis) from 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Cost per camp: \$25, \$20 members. Fee covers both child and adult, and includes general admission for the entire day.

Who can come: Parents or adult chaperones are welcome, but not required, to join their child for these sessions at no additional cost. Unregistered children are not allowed to attend, including siblings and infants.

NOTE: Camps are structured specifically for stated grade range. Campers must be entering K4 or K5 at the time of their registered camps. No exceptions.

JUNE CAMPS

Registration Deadline: May 15

Bugs Alive

June 18

Campers will learn why bugs are so important to our environment, how they defend themselves, what they eat, and where they live. There will be lots to learn as we get up close and personal with live bugs from around the world!

Geology Rocks

June 19

Junior geologists will discover how to compare and classify many different types of rocks and minerals. Each child will be sent home with the start of a rock collection that can be added to for years to come.

Dinosaurs 101

June 25

This camp will introduce the Museum's family of prehistoric creatures and discover where they were found, what life was like when they roamed the Earth, and the important roles of scientists doing the digging! If your child loves the *Third Planet* exhibit, this camp will be a hit!

Rainforest Habitats

June 26

The four layers of the rainforest each provide different habitats for different animals. We'll learn about the familiar and the unique, from the frogs to the vultures, as we explore and create. Museum Summer Camps 2019

JULY CAMPS

Registration Deadline: June 15

Ocean Explorer

July 9

The ocean is one of the most interesting places on Earth! Campers will learn about our amazing ocean ecosystems, dive deep into ocean activities, and visit our undersea exhibitions to discover the secrets of the depths.

Secrets of the Museum

July 10

If your child is a fan of MPM, this camp will provide information about exhibits that not many people know! We're willing to share our stories and provide a tool for each child to take home and be the expert on their next visit.

Amazing Animals of Africa

July 12

We will use all of our senses as we listen for animal growls and calls, feel furs and hides, and search for the best camouflaged animals in Africa. Which is the king of the savannah? What can we find at the watering hole? Find out the answers in this camp!

World Music

July 16

The Museum is filled with different instruments and traditions from around the world. Let's travel around the globe to learn how instruments and music changed. We'll create music of our own from instruments from our collection!

Geology Rocks (repeated)

July 17

Junior geologists will discover how to compare and classify many different types of rocks and minerals. Each child will be sent home with the start of a rock collection that can be added to for years to come.

Paleontology

July 19

Paleontologists face a lot of questions in the field. We will look at the tools and techniques used to plot a dinosaur dig and ways to answer all those questions! Through digging into discovery, we will learn about some of our Museum's oldest occupants. (Some content will be the same as Dinosaurs 101.)

EARLY EXPLORERS CAMPS *continued*

All About Astronomy: Special Saturday Camp!

Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Apollo 11
Moon Landing

July 20

3... 2... 1... BLAST OFF! We'll visit MPM's Planetarium together to learn about our solar system! We'll be able to see moons and constellations and learn about what makes our Earth special and different. Afterwards, we'll travel to other parts of the world to hear the stories different cultures passed down about the constellations they saw in the sky.

Secrets of the Museum (repeated)

July 23

If your child is a fan of MPM, this camp will provide information about exhibits that not many people know! We're willing to share our stories and provide a tool for each child to take home and be the expert on their next visit.

Butterflies

July 24

There is nothing quite like the elegance of a flying butterfly! We will learn all about this beautiful insect through stories, an interactive metamorphosis activity, and projects. Of course the day wouldn't be complete without a visit to our *Butterfly Vivarium* where dozens of live butterflies will fly around us as we celebrate all we learned.

Streets of Old Milwaukee

July 26

All aboard the Milwaukee Public Museum's streetcar to travel back in time to the *Streets of Old Milwaukee*! We'll compare what life was like a long time ago to today as we learn about daily life, visit the stores and homes in the *Streets* exhibit, and handle some real artifacts that people long ago used in work and play.

Bugs Alive (repeated)

July 30

Campers will learn why bugs are so important to our environment, how they defend themselves, what they eat, and where they live. There will be lots to learn as we get up close and personal with live bugs from around the world!

Dinosaurs 101 (repeated)

July 31

This camp will introduce the Museum's family of prehistoric creatures and discover where they were found, what life was like when they roamed the Earth, and the important roles of scientists doing the digging! If your child loves the *Third Planet* exhibit, this camp will be a hit!

AUGUST CAMPS

Registration Deadline: July 15

Ocean Explorer (repeated)

August 2

The ocean is one of the most interesting places on Earth! Campers will learn about our amazing ocean ecosystems, dive deep into ocean activities, and visit our undersea exhibitions to discover the secrets of the depths.

All About Astronomy (repeated)

August 13

3... 2... 1... BLAST OFF! We'll visit MPM's Planetarium together to learn about our solar system! We'll be able to see moons and constellations and learn about what makes our Earth special and different. Afterwards, we'll travel to other parts of the world to hear the stories different cultures passed down about the constellations they saw in the sky.

Amazing Animals of Africa (repeated)

August 14

We will use all of our senses as we listen for animal growls and calls, feel furs and hides, and search for the best camouflaged animals in Africa. Which is the king of the savannah? What can we find at the watering hole? Find out the answers in this camp!

CURIOSITY CREW CAMPS

When: Monday – Tuesday or Wednesday – Thursday from 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Cost per camp: \$85, \$75 members

What to bring: Please provide your child's lunch and drink each day in an insulated bag labeled with their name.

Who can come: Camps can only be attended by registered campers. Chaperones, unregistered siblings, or friends are not permitted to attend.

NOTE: Camps are structured specifically for the stated grade levels. Campers must be entering the grade levels specific to a camp in Fall 2019. No exceptions.

JUNE CAMPS

Registration Deadline: May 15

Discovering Dinos

Monday & Tuesday, June 17-18

Grades 1 and 2

Discover new and rediscover old favorites from the wonderful world of dinosaurs! Examine real dinosaur fossils, think like a paleontologist, and learn how these amazing reptiles lived.

Prehistoric Planet

Wednesday & Thursday, June 19-20

Grades 1 and 2

Not every prehistoric animal was a dinosaur! Discover animals that lived before, during, and after the time of the dinosaurs by investigating their fossils.

Dig into Dinosaurs

Monday & Tuesday, June 24-25

Grades 3 and 4

Spend your camp days with MPM Educators and scientists learning about the science of dinosaurs and paleontology. Conduct a Museum Dino Dig, investigate how geology informs us about the past, and dig into the relationships between the extinct dinosaurs and creatures still living today. We'll research prehistoric timelines and create your very own set of fossils!

Mummy Madness

Monday & Tuesday, June 26-27

Grades 3 and 4

Got mummies? We do! Join us for Mummy Madness as we use the Museum's exhibit, *Crossroads of Civilization: Ancient Worlds of the Near East and Mediterranean*, as our research lab. Campers will investigate the science of mummification by wrapping a replica mummy, match wits with the Museum's famous Mummy Trivia Quiz, and get up close and personal with the Museum's two Egyptian mummies, Djed-Hor and Padi-Heru.

AUGUST CAMPS

Registration Deadline: July 15

Buzz, Flutter, & Fly

Monday & Tuesday, August 5-6

Grades 1 and 2

Get up close to real live insects from around the world in this camp! Learn what insects eat, where they live, and the important jobs they have in our environment.





Eco Expedition

Wednesday & Thursday, August 7-8

Grades 3 and 4

Our beautiful planet has so many interesting and intricate ecosystems, and the Milwaukee Public Museum brings them right into our community! Come along for a close look at worldwide plants, animals, and humans, and the ways in which these systems are different, the same, but still connected.

DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP PROCEDURES

-  Early Explorers classroom
-  Curiosity Crew classroom
-  All campers check-in
-  Curiosity Crew check-out



EARLY EXPLORER CAMPS

Students entering K4 and K5

Where and when do I check in?

The check-in table is located near the MPM Café (see map). Check-in begins at 9:30 a.m., but please be prepared to stay with your child until camp begins at 10:00 a.m. Activities will be provided during this time and it's an ideal time to address bathroom needs. At 10:00 a.m. the group will proceed to the Early Explorers classroom. You may stay and participate at no additional cost, or leave and return at pick-up time. Unregistered children are not allowed to attend camp (this includes siblings and/or infants).

Where do I pick up my child(ren)?

Pick-up is located in the Early Explorer classroom (see map) at 11:30 a.m. sharp. There is no early drop-off or late pick-up for the Early Explorer campers.

CURIOSITY CREW CAMPS

Students entering 1st through 4th grades

Where and when do I check in?

The check-in table is located near the MPM Café (see map). Early care check-in begins at 8:00 a.m. and regular check-in begins at 9:15 a.m. You must accompany your child into the building and check in with camp staff by 9:25 a.m. During check-in we will verify emergency contact information and any health or medical information. If you arrive after 9:30 a.m., please check in at the Visitor Services desk.

Where do I pick up my child(ren)?

Check-out is at 3:30 p.m. sharp in area off of concourse (see map). Notify the camp teacher and sign your child out. Camp teachers will wait with children until 3:45 p.m. Those arriving after 3:45 p.m. will be charged \$5 (cash) per every 5 minutes they are late. Anyone picking up your child must present an ID and must be listed on your camp registration forms.

How do I sign up for early care?

Please sign up for early care when you register. The cost is a \$10 flat fee for 2-day morning care. There is no late care available.

CAMP TIMELINES

EARLY EXPLORERS

- 9:30 a.m. Check-in begins
- 10 a.m. Camp begins in Early Explorer classroom
- 11:30 a.m. Camp ends, pick up in Early Explorer classroom

CURIOSITY CREW

- 8 a.m. Paid early care session begins
- 9:15 a.m. Check-in begins
- 9:30 a.m. Camp begins in Curiosity Crew classroom
- 12 p.m. Lunch
- 12:30 p.m. Outdoor recess (weather permitting)
- 3:30 p.m. Camp ends, pick-up begins

CAMP POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Sunscreen: Campers must be wearing sunscreen when they arrive at camp, even on rainy or cloudy days. If a reapplication is needed, they must be able to do this themselves, as our camp teachers are not permitted to apply sunscreen to campers. Waterproof and sweat-proof sunscreens are recommended. Please send your camper with sunscreen labeled with his or her name each day, and camp staff will remind campers to reapply before heading outside.

Lost or stolen items: MPM is not liable for lost or stolen items. The Museum will keep lost and found items for 3 business days from the end of each week of camp, and then dispose of them. Check with the Public Programs Coordinator if you have lost something.

CONTACTS

For specific, non-registration questions contact:

Early Explorers Camp:
Early Childhood Coordinator at 414-278-6943

Curiosity Crew Camp:
Public Programs Coordinator at 414-278-2715

Accessibility:

If you have questions about accessibility at the Milwaukee Public Museum, please contact Dawn Kocaja, Accessibility Coordinator, at access@mpm.edu or 414-278-6943.

What to Bring

Please Label All Items with Camper's Name

- Backpack
- Water bottle
- Bagged lunch
- Sunscreen

What NOT to Bring

- Cell phones, iPads, or other electronic devices
- Toys or trading cards
- Food (separate from lunch) or gum
- Artifacts or specimens

What to Wear

- Comfortable clothing
- Close-toed shoes
- Light sweatshirt (Education classroom and Museum are air-conditioned)
- Sunscreen

Sick Child or Running Late?

If your child will not be attending camp for any reason, please call our Public Programs Coordinator and leave a voicemail prior to 8:45 a.m. at 414-278-2715, or MPM reservations at 414-278-2728 after 8:45 a.m.

CAMP FAQs

How Do I Register?

New this year! All camps are available for purchase online.

Full payment is due at the time of registration.

Once you purchase your camp(s), a link will be sent to you to complete all required paperwork.

No internet access?

Call 414-278-2728 if you are unable to purchase online. A copy of required forms will be mailed to you to fill out and return.

Registration deadlines are listed with each camp description.

Do you offer refunds or exchanges?

Camp reservations are non-refundable and non-exchangeable, except in the following situations:

If arrangements are made three weeks prior to your original program date, enrollment may be transferred to a new date and time if there is room in that program.

If MPM cancels the camp due to low enrollment, you will receive a full refund or the option to exchange for a different camp providing there is room.

Do you offer scholarships?

We do not offer camp scholarships, but MPM members receive a discount on camp registration.

What is included with camp fees?

All activities, workshops and materials, Museum admission, and theater programming. Drawstring bags and daily snacks are given to all Curiosity Crew campers. If your child attends multiple camps, he/she will receive one bag.

Who teaches the camps?

MPM's trained Educators lead all camp programs.

What if my child requires medication?

MPM staff are not permitted to administer medication to any children at camp. Please make arrangements with camp staff if an adult is needed to come in to administer medication during camp sessions.

Can I bring my child early, or pick them up late?

Early care sessions are available for Curiosity Crew campers. The cost is \$10 for two-day camp sessions. There is no p.m. care available and campers must be picked up promptly at the end of camp sessions.

Do you provide snacks and lunch?

We provide a morning snack for Curiosity Crew campers. You must send your child with a labeled bag lunch each day. Campers are welcomed to bring their own snack as well if desired. Early Explorers campers will not have snacks or lunch.

What are behavioral expectations?

All campers are expected to be respectful of their fellow campers, staff, visitors, and the Museum. This includes following directions, using appropriate language, and not hurting others or Museum property. MPM reserves the right, upon notification of parents, to dismiss any student during any session for conduct that camp administrative staff deems detrimental to the well-being of other students, staff, or to the overall operation of the camp.

Can I become a MPM member to receive a discount when I register?

Yes! Members receive a \$10 discount on Curiosity Crew two-day camps, and a \$5 discount on Early Explorer camps.