

JOIN US FOR HOME SCHOOL DAY

MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2015

How it works: There are 2 time slots in the morning with different age-appropriate classes offered in each time slot. In the afternoon, the museum will be open for families to explore, socialize, and engage in self-guided learning with our Family Activity Sheets.

Cost: Each workshop is \$5 per student. The fee for parents is \$4 for the day. Parents must remain in the building at all times.

Pre-registration required: Please call Rebecca Gross at (860) 236-5621 x232 or email education_assistant@chs.org to register.

10:00–10:45:

CHOOSE ONE WORKSHOP PER CHILD

Ages 5–8

COLONIAL HOUSE

Explore the colonial period in Connecticut by looking at what daily life was like in a colonial house. Children examine differences in clothing, learn about daily chores, and try out colonial toys.

Ages 5–8

MUSEUM ADVENTURE!

What makes a museum a different kind of place to learn? Students will put on their “discovery hats” to explore the museum and find some answers to that question.

Ages 9–12

PRIMARY SOURCE WORKSHOP: IMMIGRATION IN CONNECTICUT

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CITY LIFE

This program examines urban planning and city life in Connecticut. Students explore the temporary exhibition, *(Re)Building Hartford*, and examine Hartford as an urban case study of change over time and the effects of the built environment.

Ages 13+

INTRODUCTION TO FAMILY HISTORY PART I

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Ages 3–4

FREE PLAY

Join us in the auditorium for some toys and crafts geared towards our youngest learners!

11:00–11:45:

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Ages 5–8

MAKING A COMMUNITY

Learn about community engagement and what it means to be a citizen. Students will get a chance to actively participate in a “town hall” discussion and learn how everyone can make a difference in their community.

Ages 5–8

ALL ABOUT BUILDINGS

Take a look at the history of building in Connecticut. See how many different kinds of buildings you can find in our *(Re)Building Hartford* exhibit and work together in teams to build your own brick structure.

Ages 9–12

STARTING WITH THE SHEEP: AN INTRODUCTION TO HANDSPINNING FOR KIDS

Discover the traditional craft of handspinning in this hands-on workshop. Try your hand at carding wool before spinning yarn with a drop spindle. Students will take home a drop spindle and some wool so that they can practice their new skill.

Ages 9–12

THREE BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT

Come see what it's like to be a part of the state government! Students will explore how laws are made in the Connecticut General Assembly. They will then have the chance to play Senators as they debate a bill and decide whether it should pass into law.

Ages 13+

INTRODUCTION TO FAMILY HISTORY PART II

(Participation in Part I is required). Working in the CHS Research Center, students will be introduced to the first steps in genealogical research. Students may bring in materials from home and will create an ancestry chart — the road map for their genealogical quest.

Ages 13+

TEXTILE SCIENCE: WHERE SCIENCE AND HISTORY MEET

Understanding the science of textiles plays a large role in preserving them for the future. Learn about fiber identification and the methods used to care for and protect historic textiles in this hands-on workshop that takes place behind the scenes.

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