

LUTZ UP !?!



WE PUT LEARNING IN THE HANDS OF CHILDREN



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LUTZ NATURE CAMP



Camp starts on July 5th! Join us for one week or seven!

8:30am - 3:00pm

Ages 6 - 10

\$300/week members

\$350/week non-members

Oak Grove Nature Center

269 Oak Grove Street

Our nature camp takes place on a 52-acre natural preserve just 1.5 miles from the museum with trails, a pond, and a teaching building. Each week of camp is a different fun theme. All weeks include swimming, nature activities, inquiry based learning, and a Friday field trip. Spots are filling up fast, so call the museum to register.

Connecticut Open House Day

House Day

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Truck Day at the Museum

Connecticut Open House Day means free admission inside the museum and Big Trucks outside the museum.

Come for an afternoon of fun!

June 11, 2022; 12:00pm - 3:00pm

Please remember reservations are still required for play inside the museum.



Egg Hunt!

Who let the chickens lay all these eggs?

Just kidding! Robin and Starling can't lay as many eggs as we have for this hunt.

The eggs we're going to hide are filled with chocolate, prizes, and even a few museum memberships.



April 10, 2022; 1:00pm; ages 5 & under

2:00pm; ages 6 - 10

Donations welcome.

Pre-School Programs

Stories with Miss Laura

Join Miss Laura on the second Friday of the month at 2:30pm for a story.

*Dates: April 8, May 13, June 10
Free with museum admission.*

Friday Fun with Miss Jennifer

Join Miss Jennifer for crafts, games, and a story Friday mornings from 9:00am to 12:00pm.

Free with museum admission.

Birding 101

We're teaming up with The Audubon Society for this pre-school program. Come discover what makes a bird a bird - with stories, crafts, and a visit with a live bird!

Date: April 8, 2022; 10:00am - 11:00am

Cost - \$10 advance registration

\$12 at the door

Call to register (860) 643-0949

Lutz Get a Pet!

Is your little one fascinated with animals? Does he or she want a dog, cat, rabbit or fish? Come for this introduction to pets (geared towards ages 4-5) and help your child learn all about pet ownership!

Date: June 10, 2022; 10:00am - 11:00am

Cost - \$10 advance registration

\$12 at the door

Call to register (860) 643-0949

Family Paint Night

Join artist Karen Israel for a family night! Karen's work has been included in a traveling exhibit at the Lyman Allyn Museum, the New Haven Museum, and the Connecticut River Museum. It is part of the permanent collection New Haven Paint and Clay. All materials and instruction will be provided to make an acrylic masterpiece.

May 21, 2022; 5:00pm - 6:30pm

Ages 9 and up

Cost - \$45/person, family of 1-2 people

\$40/person, family of 3 people

\$35/person, family of 4 or more

Call to register (860) 643-0949

Lutz Rock! Summer Concert Series

Join us for music on the lawn! The Lutz Museum is excited to welcome Family Friendly artists throughout the summer for Sunday afternoon concerts. Bring chairs or a blanket, something to eat, and come enjoy music and sunshine!

Bobby Beetcut

Bobby Beetcut is a peace educating "Family Roots Musician" who creates a fun and funky blend of uplifting and inspiring music that resonates with kids and their parents alike. His new release entitled, "Up In A Tree!" tours a range of musical styles from Funk to Folk, Groovy Pop Rock to Rocking Rhythm and Blues.

Date: June 26, 2022; 4:00pm

Still Kickin' with the Big City Horns

Still Kickin' with the Big City Horns is a rockin' nine piece band paying tribute to the great 60's 70's and 80's Horn Bands. Enjoy a powerhouse rhythm and horn section delivering a variety of Classic Rock, R & B, Blues, Soul and Funk, with a touch of Country to keep you movin'!

Date: July 24, 2022; 4:00pm

Donations welcome.

August date TBA, watch our social media and the next edition of Lutz Up?!

Go Birding with us on "National Go Birding Day"!

Join us at the Oak Grove Nature Center for a morning of birding. Our 52-acre preserve has lots of trails and is perfect for working on your "Life List". An educator from the museum will be guiding you and helping you identify the species you spot.

April 30, 2022; 9:00am - 10:30am

Oak Grove Nature Center, 269 Oak Grove St.

Cost - \$10 advance registration

\$12 at the door

Open to all ages, please dress appropriately, and bring water and binoculars.

School Age Programs

Junior Keepers

Do you have a future animal care specialist at home? Let them get an up close and personal look at how we care for our animals at the Lutz Children's Museum.

Participants will assist an animal care specialist with tasks such as feeding, watering, and enriching animals. They will also have the opportunity for a special animal interaction.

Sessions are limited to five participants each to ensure lots of interaction and time for questions. Please note, because of the nature of animal work, we cannot guarantee any specific activities or animal interactions.

*Ages 7-10, \$200 per session (4 days)
April 20, 27, May 4, 11, 2022; 3:15pm - 4:00pm
Call to register (860) 643-0949*

Animal Enrichment Workshops

Enrichment is a big part of our animal's lives here at the Lutz Children's Museum.

All our animals love toys, and we'd love for you to come help us make some! Join us for an Enrichment making workshop. We'll provide the materials and show you how we make our animals toys, you provide the creativity! At the end of the workshop, we'll distribute toys to our residents**

**Please note, distributing toys is contingent upon Animal Care staff deeming them safe.

*Cost: \$10
Dates (reoccurring event): April 14, May 13,
June 10, 2022; 3:00pm - 4:00pm
Call to register (860) 643-0949*

Community Read

Watch our Social Media for our new partnership with Connecticut Humanities, Barnes and Noble, and the Shoppes at Buckland Hills! Join us this spring for three author lead community reads!

School Age Programs

Lutz Museum "Pet Owner Certification"

Parents, is your child *begging* for a pet? We can help!

Introducing the Lutz Museum "Pet Owner Certification". Kids 8-12 are eligible for this "certification" class, a collaboration between our education and animal care departments.

This program will include both hands on animal care experience with a variety of animals and traditional instruction. We will address proper food and nutrition, veterinary care and grooming, cleanliness, play, and training. In addition, program participants will learn how to research future questions about their pets.

Register your children at your own risk! Once they finish our class, you may be out of reasons to not get that dog!

*Ages 8-12, \$300 per session (6 - hour sessions,
plus one Sunday afternoon)
May 5, 12, 19, 26, June 2, 9; 3:00pm - 4:00pm
June 12, 2022; 1:00pm - 4:00pm
Call to register (860) 643-0949*

Memorial Day Flag Garden

Honor those who died while fighting in the U.S. Armed Forces by planting an American flag on the front lawn of the museum in our Memorial Day Flag Garden.

Date: May 29, 2022

Flag Day

America's Flag Day marks the Second Continental Congress's adoption of the first flag on June 14, 1777. Visit the Lutz to learn more about our very own 13 star flag – a true treasure from the Lutz archive.



Date: June 14, 2022



INVERTEBRATE INSANITY

Did you know June 17 - 24 is Cephalopod Week, and June 20 - 26 is Insect Week?

We're not quite sure how anyone is designating a "week" here, but we don't really care because we LOVE invertebrates and we're going to celebrate! All programs are \$10 advance registration or \$12 at the door. Call (860) 643-0949 to register.

Ladybug Tea

Join us for Tea and Cookies and Ladybugs! Learn about these neat insects and do a fun craft.

Grades: PK

June 17, 2022; 10:00am - 10:30am

Are you smarter than an octopus?

Cephalopods are super smart! Come learn about these amazing animals and what they can do.

Grades: 3-5

June 22, 2022; 3:00pm - 3:45pm

Squid Dissection

Get a chance to find out what's in a squid during this hands on class. Thanks to City Fish for donating the squid!

Grades: 4-6

June 25, 2022; 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Who Would Win? Ultimate Bug Rumble

Join a Lutz Educator for a invertebrate face off! Can you guess who will be the champion?

Grades: 3-5

June 19, 2022; 3:00pm - 3:45pm

MAY THE FOURTH BE WITH YOU

The Force is an all-encompassing power flowing through every living being. Visit the Lutz for a day of Star Wars family fun that includes Star Wars characters, crafts, games, and lots of photo opportunities!

Our Animal Ambassadors will receive special treats and there will be scheduled Animal Meet-and-Greets throughout the day.

All visitors are encouraged to come dressed in Star Wars attire/costume.

The first 25 children ages 11 & under in Star Wars costume will receive a gift certificate for future free admission to the museum.

May 4, 2022
Free with museum admission.

VIRTUAL ANIMAL FUN!

Can't make it to the museum? You can still celebrate with us!

Watch our Facebook and Instagram for activities and contests on these wacky animal days. We will challenge you to post a story, video, or photo. There will be prizes for the most "likes"!

April 30 - Adopt a Shelter Pet Day

May 20 - Endangered Species Day

June 4 - Hug Your Cat Day

June 22 - World Rainforest Day

Celebrate parents at Lutz
Children's Museum!
Free admission for Moms on
Mothers Day and Dads on
Fathers Day.

EARTH DAY

Join us at Oak Grove Nature Center for a celebration of the Planet! Our 52-Acre Nature Preserve needs some spring cleaning! We'll spend time on the trails picking up trash and making sure things are safe for the summer season. Afterwards, join us for snacks, a program, and an animal meet and greet!

April 23, 2022; 12:00pm - 3:00pm clean up
3:00pm - 3:45pm program

KICK OFF TO SUMMER

Glenbrooke Sports Center is excited to welcome members of the Lutz Children's Museum free of charge for a day of fun!

Splash in the Outdoor Pool, play carnival games, and participate in fun activities.

429 Oak Street, East Hartford
Free to Lutz Museum Members.
June 18, 2022; 1:00pm - 5:00pm

Join us for the Lutz Lectures

Learn while the kids play!

Register for one lecture, a series of three lectures on a topic, or a "series sampler" and pick one lecture from each series!

All Lutz Lectures will take place at the Lutz Children's Museum at 7:30pm and last an hour. The gallery area will be open for free play for attendees' children (please call in advance if you are planning on bringing a child).

Education Series

Creativity: Basics, Benefits, and Tips April 9, 2022
James C. Kaufman, Neag School of Education, University of Connecticut

Emotional Intelligence: What it is & Why it Matters for Parents & Kids May 14, 2022
Zorana Ivcevic Pringle, Yale Center for Emotional Intelligence, Yale University

Developing Interests in Children July 16, 2022
Joe Renzulli and Sally Reis,
Neag School of Education, University of Connecticut

Animals Series

How do Dogs Chose their Human Friends? Apr 2, 2022
Zachary Silver, Yale University

Black Bears in Connecticut June 4, 2022
Paul Colburn, Master Wildlife Conservationist, Connecticut DEEP

Marine Mammals and Sea Turtles of Long Island Sound Aug 6, 2022
Education Department, Mystic Aquarium

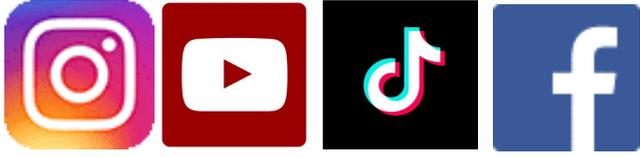
History Series

The Podunk: Manchester's Indigenous Peoples Apr 23, 2022
Diane Hoover, Historical Society of Glastonbury

Changes in Manchester Over the Years June 25, 2022
Bob Kanehl, Manchester Historical Society

Art and Ingenuity in Early America Aug 27, 2022
Peter Millett, Manchester Historical Society

Purchase tickets online at <https://lutzmuseum.org/visit/lutz-lectures/>



Volunteer at the Lutz Children's Museum!

Help us keep Hazel Lutz's dream alive!

Calling all high school and college students, retirees, young professionals and corporate & non-profit groups.

The Museum needs volunteers to help clean and reset our exhibits, assist staff with programs and animal care, work on administrative projects and work on special events. Check www.lutzmuseum.org for an application!

Spring/Summer Hours

(reservations required, see www.lutzmuseum.org)

Monday
Closed

Closed Easter Sunday

Tuesday - Friday
9:00am - 12:00pm
1:00pm - 4:00pm

Saturday & Sunday
12:00pm - 4:00pm



Birthday Parties



Celebrate your birthday at the Lutz Children's Museum!

Saturdays and Sundays
9:45am - 11:45am

What's included:

- ◆ Party room & use of refrigerator for two hours
- ◆ Access to museum for entire day
- ◆ Choice of party activity (30 minutes)
- ◆ Admission for 15 kids PLUS the birthday child
- ◆ Chaperones attend FREE
- ◆ Invitations to send your guests

Cost:

Members: \$300

Non-Members: \$350

Additional Options

Additional guests + \$12/per child

Extra animal presentation + \$25

Goody bags + \$5/each

Deluxe party (cake, juice, paper goods) + \$75

For best availability book at least 3 weeks in advance. For more information or to reserve your party call 860-643-0949 or email frontdesk@lutzmuseum.org

Rehearsal Space and Private Rentals

The Museum is the perfect place to book rehearsal space on our stage or regular club/corporate meetings in our community room.

Let our staff take care of all the details. Catering options available upon request. Non-profit rates available.

Contact Laura Rice at 860-643-0949 or lrice@lutzmuseum.org for more details.

Are you an Educator?

Let's talk! The Lutz Children's Museum has outreach programs which come to you and field trips to bring your students to us!

Contact Clare J. Mazur at cmazur@lutzmuseum.org

Community Calendar

Manchester Gem Club
3rd Wednesday of the Month, 6:00pm

Shoppes at Buckland Hills Animal Encounter
May 22, June 19, July 23, 2022; 11:00am and 1:00pm

Manchester Early Learning Fair
Northwest Park, Manchester
April 23, 2022; 9:00am

Manchester Town Butterfly Stroll
May 14, 2022

