

Early Childhood Exploration



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CHILDREN'S LANDSCAPE 2017-2018 PROGRAMS

Children's Landscape is a self-directed hands-on exhibit for families and preschool groups filled with educational materials that support exploration, investigation, literacy, pretend play, social development, creative arts, math, and science. Parents and adult caregivers become the teachers, taking an active role in their child's education when fully engaged in this space. For the safety of babies, toddlers, and preschoolers, children older than five must be actively engaged with a younger sibling in an age-appropriate way. Families with children older than 7 are encouraged to check out the more appropriate exhibits throughout the Museum.

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

Let's Play Music

Play a variety of instruments, learn about music, practice counting, and explore rhymes, songs, and movement.

JANUARY/FEBRUARY

Once Upon a Time

Discover kings, queens, knights, and dragons from nursery rhymes and fairy tales.



2017-2018 PROGRAMS CONTINUED

MARCH/APRIL Colors, Shapes, & Numbers

Lots of puzzles, games, toys, and activities focused on the educational basics.

MAY/JUNE

Alphabet from A to Z

Twenty-six activities, each related to a letter in the alphabet. Plus, a wide variety of toddler- and preschool-related toys, games, and more.

JULY/AUGUST

Animal Homes

Explore animal puppets in their environments, from the forest to the arctic to our homes.

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

Time to Move!

Start moving with individual and team sports from dance to football to biking.

PLANETARIUM SHOWS FOR PRESCHOOLERS

Planetarium shows can be booked for groups. The cost is \$3 per student, with a minimum fee of \$45 per group (15 students). Chaperones attend free of charge. Call to register today!

In My Backyard (45 minutes)

With songs and stories, children's entertainer Fred Penner helps children see the universe from their own backyards.

One World, One Sky: Big Bird's Adventure (27 minutes)

From China to America, a brilliant spectacle of light and color! Sesame Street's Big Bird, Elmo, and their friend Hu Hu Zhu explore the night sky!



Check kalamazoomuseum.org for new programs appropriate for young children.

CIRCLE TIME PROGRAMS

These 20-minute programs are free of charge to families and preschool groups. Literacy-based programs may include musical activities, games, and an art project. Programs take place Monday through Friday at 10 a.m., and Saturdays at 11 a.m. Programs are designed for preschool children ages 3-5.



CHILDREN'S LANDSCAPE HOURS

Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday 1 -5 p.m.

Closed September 4-7, 2018, for yearly maintenance

Extended hours and limited program times during holiday breaks

Registration

Preschool groups coming for a self-guided visit or a program should register at least two weeks in advance of the visit. Please call (269) 373-7965 or (800) 772-3370, or email ebarker@kvcc.edu. One adult for every six children must accompany the group. Large preschool groups may be asked to break into smaller groups for programs. Please arrive 15 minutes in advance for a class. Programs will not be delayed for late arrivals. Nametags are greatly appreciated. Kindergarten groups will enjoy more age-appropriate exhibits elsewhere in the Museum; please leave Children's Landscape for preschool-only groups. Parking is available at Central City Parking, ramp #4 on Eleanor Street. Call Central City Parking at 269.342.6383 prior to your visit to arrange for bus parking.

FREE GENERAL ADMISSION

Monday-Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Art Hop Fridays 9 a.m.-8 p.m.

Sunday + Holidays 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

*Closed: Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve,
 Christmas Day, and Easter*

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