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**Museum**  
230 North Rose Street  
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# EARLY CHILDHOOD EXPLORATION

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## CHILDREN'S LANDSCAPE

### 2016-2017 PROGRAMS

Children's Landscape is a self-directed hands-on exhibit for families and preschool groups. Designed for children under 5, it is 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 the babies, toddlers, and preschoolers, children older than five must be actively engaged with their younger sibling in a safe way. Families with children older than 7 are encouraged to check out the more appropriate exhibits throughout the Museum.

#### OCTOBER / NOVEMBER

##### **Construction**

Build with all kinds of blocks and learn about tools.

#### DECEMBER / JANUARY

##### **Quilts and Clothes**

Learn how to dress from head to toe for cold weather. Explore quilt patterns, weaving, sewing, and more at a toddler/preschool level.

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by Kalamazoo Valley Community College  
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## 2016-2017 PROGRAMS CONTINUED

### FEBRUARY / MARCH

#### Once Upon a Story

Stories, puzzles, and educational toys focused on children from around the world.

### APRIL / MAY

#### Transportation

Cars, planes, and trains...oh my! Three full rooms of vehicle play.

### JUNE / JULY

#### Dinosaurs

Dinosaur environments, puzzles, toys, puppets, and music.

### AUGUST / SEPTEMBER

#### Sports

Get healthy and moving with individual and team sports, from dance to football.

## 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](http://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. Programs may include stories, musical activities, games, and an art project. Programs are Monday through Friday at 10:00 am and Saturdays at 11:00 am. Programs are designed for preschool children ages 3-5. *Holiday break schedules may change.*



### CHILDREN'S LANDSCAPE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 9 am-3 pm

Saturday: 9 am-5 pm

Sunday: 1-5 pm

**Closed September 25-29, 2017, 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](mailto:ebarker@kvcc.edu). One adult for every six children must accompany the group. Large preschool groups may be asked to break into smaller groups. 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 before your visit at 269.342.6383 to arrange for bus parking.

## FREE GENERAL ADMISSION

Monday - Saturday: 9 am - 5 pm

Sunday and Holidays: 1 - 5 pm

Art Hop Fridays: 9 am - 9 pm

Closed on Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day.

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