

# 2017 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 Wisconsin 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 day or week-long summer camps.*

### EARLY EXPLORERS CAMPS

**For:** Kids entering K4 and K5 in Fall 2017

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

**When:** Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday from 9:30-11:00 a.m. or 1:30-3:00 p.m.

**Campers will:**

- experience exhibit explorations.
- engage in hands on activities stimulating all of their senses.
- make a museum related activity to take home.

### ADVENTURE SEEKERS CAMPS

**For:** Kids entering grades 2 - 9 in 2017

**Cost per camp:** \$300, \$275 members

**When:** Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**Campers will:**

- explore exhibits while investigating their camp topic.
- engage in hands-on, interactive activities and demonstrations.
- meet Museum experts.
- enjoy a planetarium or theater show.

### QUESTIONS?

Call 414-278-2728



# EARLY EXPLORERS CAMPS

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MPM offers a variety of early learning camps for children entering K4 or K5 in Fall 2017. Butterflies, dinosaurs, jungle animals, and stars are a just a few of the exciting topics our early explorers will discover. These one-day morning or afternoon camps, provide ample opportunities for our campers to have fun and be creative while learning about their world

**When:** Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday  
from 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. or 1:30 – 3:00 p.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**

### Dinosaurs 101

**June 20**

**9:30 – 11:00 a.m.**

Young dinosaur enthusiasts will be thrilled to hold real dinosaur fossils in their hands! We will examine MPM's collection of prehistoric creatures, compare meat eaters and plant eaters as well as learn how each survived.

### Art Around the World

**June 21**

**9:30 – 11 a.m.**

MPM is filled with different forms of art and artifacts. What do you consider art? We will travel the globe in search of objects from around the world and create our own exhibit-inspired works.

### Butterflies

**June 22**

**9:30 – 11 a.m. or 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.**

We love butterflies for their beautiful, brightly colored wings, but that's just half of their story. Join us as we follow the life cycle of this magical insect, from egg to wings!

### Geology

**June 28**

**9:30 – 11:00 a.m. or 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.**

Junior geologists will discover how to compare and classify many different types of rocks and minerals. Each camper will take home the start of their own rock collection that can be added to for years to come!

### Building a Collection

**June 29**

**9:30 – 11:00 a.m.**

Where did that come from? How did it get here? Campers will discover how museums gather and use collections as well as think about how to build a collections of their own.

# EARLY EXPLORERS CAMPS *continued*

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## JULY CAMPS

*Registration Deadline: June 15*

### Ooey Gooey Science

**July 12**

**9:30 – 11:00 a.m.**

Campers will roll up their sleeves and experiment with different activities that will include the ooey, the gooey and even the yucky! We will do some basic experiments and make a lot of observations and predictions.

### Bugs Alive!

**July 13**

**9:30 – 11:00 a.m. and 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.**

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

### Paleontology

**July 19**

**9:30 – 11:00 a.m.**

Paleontologists face a lot of questions in the field and we're digging up the answers! Campers will look at the tools and techniques used to plot a dinosaur dig and discover unknown truths about these majestic creatures.

### Digging Wisconsin

**July 19**

**1:30 – 3:00 p.m.**

How do archeologists do their work? Campers will look at the tools these science detectives use and do some digging of their own as they piece together the stories of Wisconsin's past.

### Building an Exhibit

**July 20**

**9:30 – 11:00 a.m.**

You love visiting MPM to see its awesome exhibits, and now it's time to make one yourself. Come learn how an exhibit is built, why objects are chosen, and where some of the artifacts come from.

### Streets of Old Milwaukee

**July 26**

**9:30 – 11:00 a.m.**

Compare the differences between life today and that at the turn of the 20th century. Campers will visit the stores and homes in *Streets* and handle real artifacts that people used in work and play.

### Nocturnal Rainforest

**July 27**

**9:30 – 11:00 a.m.**

What happens in the rainforest when the sun goes down? Turns out, the rainforest never sleeps! Campers will explore the different layers of the rainforest and the animals that live and eat at night.

### Deep in the Jungle

**July 27**

**1:30 – 3:00 p.m.**

Campers will use all their sense as we discover what jungle life is all about! Listen for animal sounds, taste and smell jungle fruit, and see and feel what jungle animals do as they go about their day. Why is the sloth so slow? Who is the king of the rain forest? Find out the answers to this and more!

## AUGUST CAMPS

*Registration Deadline: July 15*

### Ocean Explorer

**August 9**

**9:30 – 11:00 a.m.**

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.

### Paleontology

**August 9**

**1:30 – 3:00 p.m.**

Paleontologists face a lot of questions in the field and we're digging up the answers! Campers will look at the tools and techniques used to plot a dinosaur dig and discover unknown truths about these majestic creatures.

### All about Astronomy

**August 10**

**9:30 – 11:00 a.m. or 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.**

Visit MPM's planetarium to learn about our solar system! See moons, constellations, and discover what makes Earth unique from the rest of the planets in our solar system.

# ADVENTURE SEEKERS CAMPS

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**When:** Monday – Friday from 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Cost per camp:** \$300, \$275 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 2017. No exceptions.*

## Dino Days!

**June 19-23**

**Grades 2 or 3**

**Registration deadline: May 15**

Are dinosaurs really extinct? Learn how the science of paleontology can bring these fascinating creatures to life and go behind-the-scenes in our collection for a close-up look at fossils and rocks dating back millions of years. Dig into a paleontologist's tool kit, conduct hands-on examinations of real fossils, and create your very own dino-themed display!

## Tech-KNOWLEDGE-y Camp!

**June 26-30**

**Grades 7, 8 or 9**

**Registration: May 15**

We're pretty tech savvy these days, but technology isn't just computers and electronics! Since humans have been around, we've been coming up with innovative new ways to communicate, eat, build and survive. Explore how technology has changed throughout history from early agriculture to modern science. Join us as we get technological with hands-on activities like circuit building, DNA extraction and more!

## MPM Revealed: Behind-the-Scenes Camp

**July 31-August 4**

**Grades 4, 5, or 6**

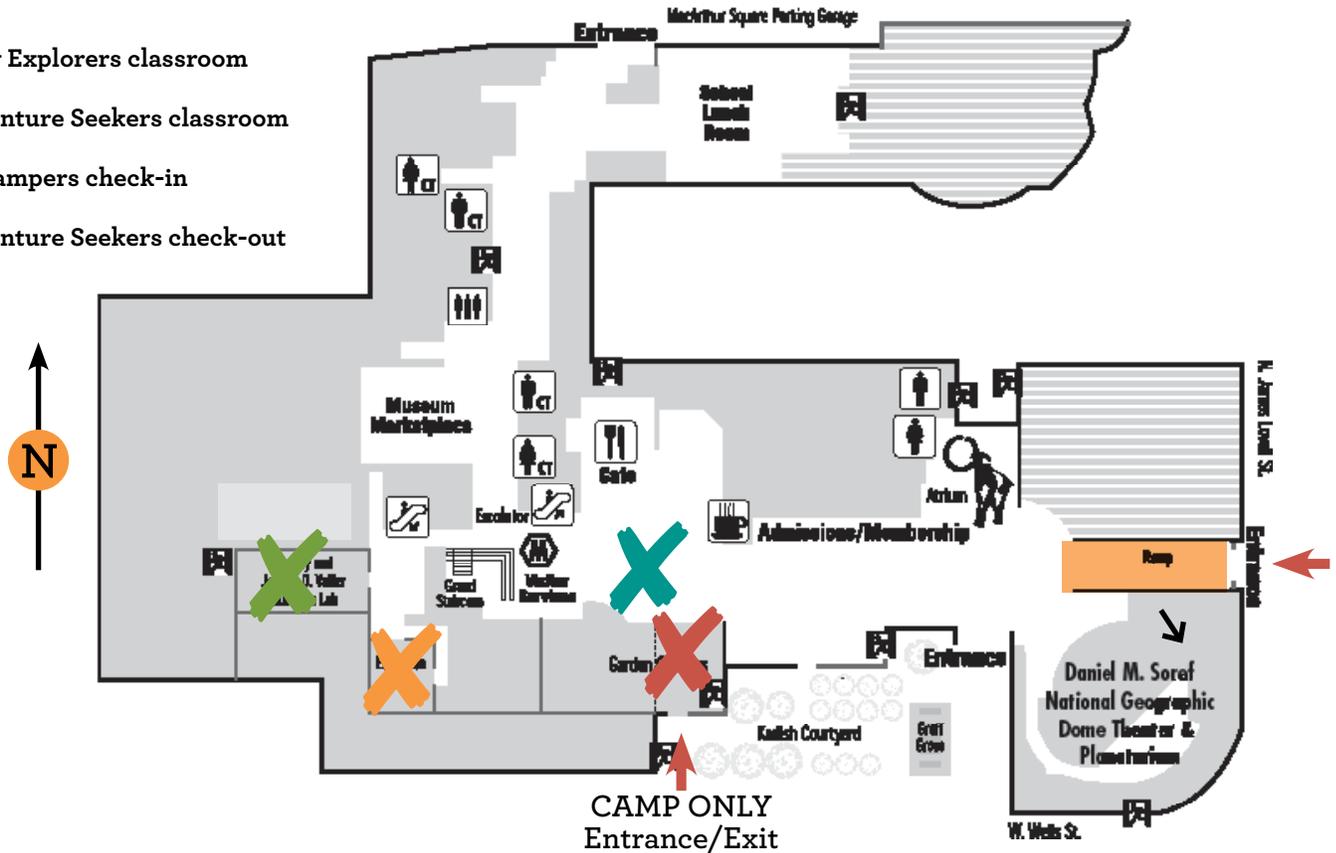
**Registration: July 1**

Campers will get a rare, behind-the-scenes look at how MPM collects and cares for objects as well as how we tell their stories through exhibitions and public programming. Campers will have the opportunity to explore places at MPM the general public never sees, learn the ins-and-outs of the museum world from world-class scientists, artists and museum professionals. They will also try their hand at doing the work themselves and create a temporary exhibit that will be on display at MPM. Join us for a week full of creativity, teamwork, and new experiences!



# DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP PROCEDURES

- ✕ Early Explorers classroom
- ✕ Adventure Seekers classroom
- ✕ All campers check-in
- ✕ Adventure Seekers 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 9:00 a.m., but please be prepared to stay with your child until camp begins at 9:30 a.m. Activities will be provided during this time and it's an ideal time address bathroom needs. At 9:30 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 11:00 a.m. sharp. There is no early drop-off or late pick-up for the Early Explorer campers.

## ADVENTURE SEEKERS CAMPS

*Students entering grades 2-9*

### 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 pm 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 \$25 for week-long morning early care. There is no late care available.

# CAMP TIMELINES

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## EARLY EXPLORERS

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

## ADVENTURE SEEKERS

- 8 a.m. Paid early care session begins
- 9:15 a.m. Check-in begins
- 9:30 a.m. Camp begins in 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

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**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. Items will be kept in lost and found for 3 business days from the end of each week of camp, and then dispose of it. Check with the Public Programs Coordinator if you have lost something.

## CONTACTS

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**For specific, non-registration questions contact:**

Early Explorers Camp:  
Early Childhood Coordinator at 414-278-6943  
Adventure Seekers Camp:  
Public Programs Coordinator at 414-278-2715

### 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 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

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## How Do I Register?

The reservation process starts by completing the [Summer Camp request form](#). A member of our reservations department will respond within 72 hours of submitting this form. MPM summer camp reservations must be made by the registration date listed for each camp. Full payment is due at the time of registration.

### **No internet access?**

Call 414-278-2728 if you are unable to fill out the form online, and a copy 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.

### **What if more than one of my children is registering, or my child wants to attend with a friend?**

Please submit one form per child. Friends or siblings who wish to attend camp together must both fall within the age requirements of the session they plan to attend together.

### **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 as well as daily snack and drawstring bags. Drawstring bags are given to all Adventure Seekers 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 Adventure Seekers campers. The cost is \$25.00 for the entire week. 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 Adventure Seekers 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 an MPM member to receive a discount when I register?**

Yes! Members receive a \$25.00 discount on Adventure Seekers camps and a \$5.00 discount on Early Explorer camps.