



2018 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 astronomy 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, two-day, or week-long summer camps.

EARLY EXPLORERS CAMPS

For: Kids entering K4 and K5 in Fall 2018

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

When: Tuesday-Friday (various days) 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.

CURIOSITY CREW CAMPS

For: Kids entering grades 1 - 2 in 2018

Cost per camp: \$75, \$65 members

When: Monday-Tuesday & Wednesday-Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Campers will:

- Explore exhibits while investigating their camp topic.
- Engage in hands-on activities and demonstrations.
- Make a Museum-related activity to take home.

ADVENTURE SEEKERS CAMPS

For: Kids entering grades 2 - 6 in 2018

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

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

Campers will:

- Explore exhibits while investigating their camp topic.
- Engage in hands-on activities and demonstrations.
- Meet Museum experts.
- Enjoy a Planetarium or Dome Theater show.



EARLY EXPLORERS CAMPS

MPM offers a variety of early learning camps for children entering K4 or K5 in Fall 2018. Butterflies, dinosaurs, animals, and stars are 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-Friday (days/times vary on weekly basis) 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

Bugs Alive

June 20

9:30 – 11 a.m.

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

Dinosaurs Over Time

June 27

9:30 – 11 a.m.

We will explore each of the Triassic, the Jurassic, and the Cretaceous periods and take a walk through our Third Planet exhibit observing a geological timeline. The earliest signs of life, the presence of the fierce T.rex then on to the great extinction; we will see which time period your favorite dinosaur lived in.

JULY CAMPS

Registration Deadline: June 15

All About Astronomy

July 11

9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

3... 2... 1... BLAST OFF! We'll visit MPM's Planetarium together to learn about our solar system! We'll be able to see moons and constellations and learn about what makes our Earth special and different. Afterwards, we'll travel to other parts of the world to hear the stories different cultures passed down about the constellations they saw in the sky.

Paleontology

July 11

1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Paleontologists face a lot of questions in the field. We will look at the tools and techniques used to plot a dinosaur dig and ways to answer all those questions! Through digging into discovery, we will learn about some of our Museum's oldest occupants.

Butterflies

July 13

9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

There is nothing quite like the elegance of a flying butterfly! We will learn all about this beautiful insect through stories, an interactive metamorphosis activity, and projects. Of course the day wouldn't be complete without a visit to our Butterfly Vivarium where dozens of live butterflies will fly around us as we celebrate all we learned.

African Safari

July 18

9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

We will go on an African Safari to explore the amazing animals of this region. From the large African elephant to the weaver birds of the watering hole, these animals are all so different yet some depend on others for survival. How do they protect themselves from their predators? What do they eat? These are just a few of the questions we will answer as we travel this diverse land.

EARLY EXPLORERS CAMPS *continued*

Streets of Old Milwaukee

July 25

9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

All aboard the Milwaukee Public Museum's new streetcar to travel back in time to the re-imagined *Streets of Old Milwaukee!* We'll compare what life was like a long time ago to today as we learn about daily life, visit the stores and homes in the *Streets* exhibit, and handle some real artifacts that people long ago used in work and play.

Dinosaurs Over Time (repeated)

July 25

1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

We will explore each of the Triassic, the Jurassic, and the Cretaceous periods and take a walk through our Third Planet exhibit observing a geological timeline. The earliest signs of life, the presence of the fierce T.rex, then on to the great extinction; we will see which time period your favorite dinosaur lived in.

Ocean Explorer

July 27

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.

Bugs Alive (repeated)

July 31

9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

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

All About Astronomy (repeated)

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AUGUST CAMPS

Registration Deadline: July 15

Geology Rocks

August 1

9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Junior geologists will discover how to compare and classify many different types of rocks and minerals. Each child will be sent home with the start of a rock collection that can be added to for years to come.

Paleontology (repeated)

August 7

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.

Frog Mania

August 9

9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Frogs come in all shapes and sizes and live all over the world. Join us for some ribbeting discovery and fun! We will go on a frog hunt and learn about these fun creatures through activities, observations, and stories.

CURIOSITY CREW CAMPS

NEW!
Join the Crew!

When: Monday – Tuesday or Wednesday – Thursday from 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Cost per camp: \$75, \$65 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.

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Buzz, Flutter, & Fly!

Monday & Tuesday, June 11-12

Grades 1 or 2

Get up close to real live insects from around the world in this camp! Learn what insects eat, where they live, and the important jobs they have in our environment.

Discovering Dinos

Wednesday & Thursday, June 13-14

Grade 1

Registration: May 15

Discover new and rediscover old favorites from the wonderful world of dinosaurs! Examine real dinosaur fossils, think like a paleontologist, and learn how these amazing reptiles lived.

ADVENTURE SEEKERS CAMPS

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Dino Bootcamp

June 18-22

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!

Around the World in Ancient Days

June 25-29





Grades 4, 5, or 6

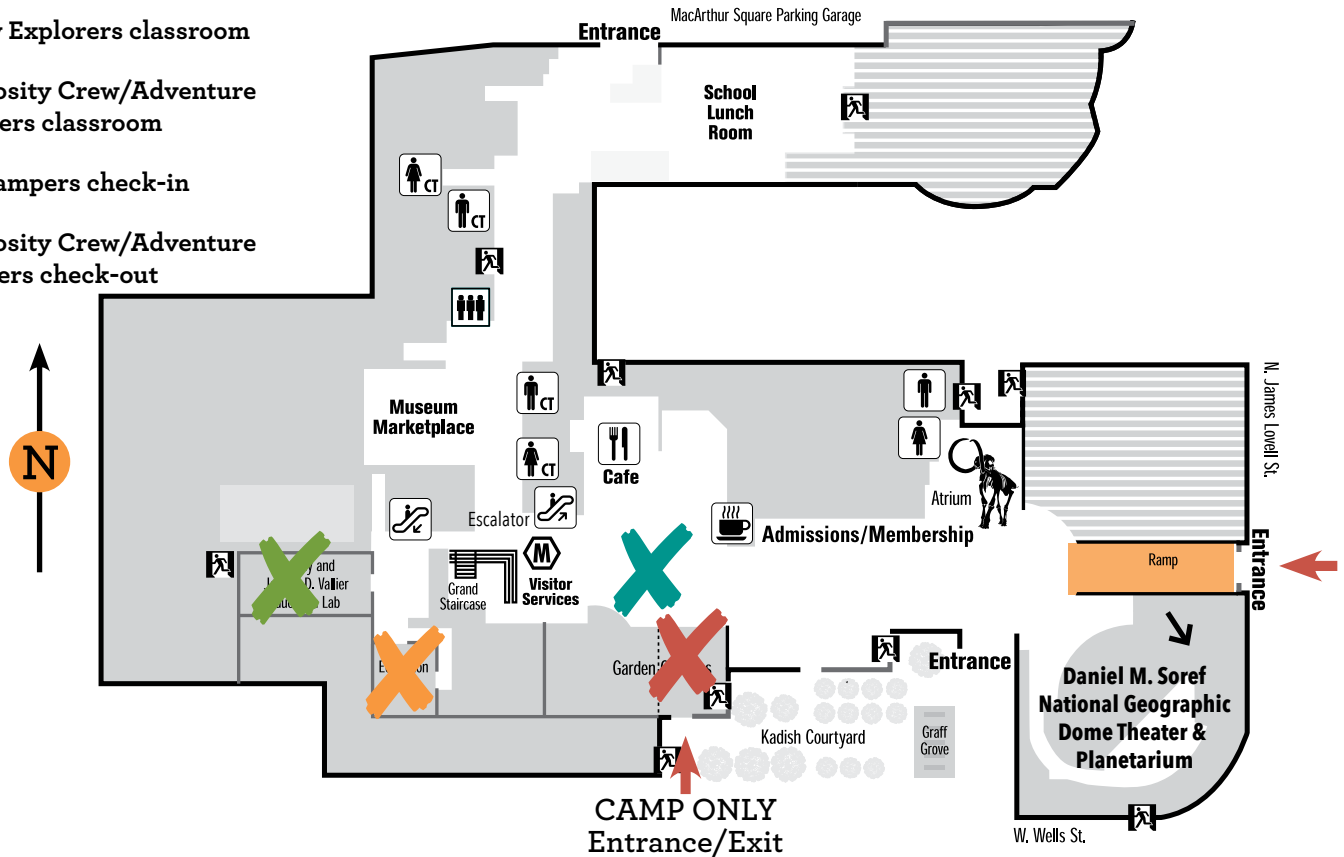
Registration: May 15

Tour the ancient world in this exciting, interactive camp as we explore some of the world's great cultures of the past through crafts, activities, and tours of the Museum's legendary, immersive galleries. We'll delve into a different civilization each day—including ancient Egypt, Rome, and Pre-Columbian America, among others—exploring their customs, languages, symbols, architecture, and belief systems. Design your own Ancient Days passport, and we'll stamp it with a special seal as you cross continents and travel through time!



DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP PROCEDURES

-  Early Explorers classroom
-  Curiosity Crew/Adventure Seekers classroom
-  All campers check-in
-  Curiosity Crew/Adventure Seekers check-out



EARLY EXPLORER CAMPS

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 to 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.

CURIOSITY CREW & ADVENTURE SEEKERS CAMPS

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?

Early care is available from 8 - 9:30 a.m. Please sign up for early care when you register. The cost is a \$10 flat fee for two-day morning care and a \$25 flat fee for week-long morning early care. There is no late care available.

CAMP TIMELINES

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

CURIOSITY CREW & 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

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 three 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.

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

CONTACTS

For specific, non-registration questions contact:

Early Explorers Camp:
Early Childhood Coordinator at 414-278-6943

Curiosity Crew & Adventure Seekers Camp:
Public Programs Coordinator at 414-278-2715

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

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 a drawstring bag. Drawstring bags are given to all Curiosity Crew & 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 Curiosity Crew & 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 Curiosity Crew & 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 week-long camps, a \$10.00 discount on Curiosity Crew two-day camps, and a \$5.00 discount on Early Explorer camps.