

Kalamazoo VALLEY™ Museum

SPECIAL EXHIBITIONS

Third Floor Havermill Gallery
January 21–May 28, 2012

Disease Detectives

Use mannequins with realistic symptoms to learn about some stubborn public health threats and the simple steps we can all take to prevent sickness.
From the Science Museum of Minnesota.

First Floor Gallery

February 4–June 17, 2012

Remember Me: Civil War Portraits



The first of two exhibits that the Museum will develop to mark the Sesquicentennial of the American Civil War. The photographs taken by hundreds of photographers between 1861 and 1865 have provided a graphic means to remember those who fought for the Union.



Details at kalamazoomuseum.org

This festival is FREE and open to the public
Listen to live music, talk to musicians and luthiers, and attend workshops.

March 23 Kickoff Concert with
Ninth Street Bridge 7 pm

March 24 Local musicians and luthiers get together for a day of music, workshops, and more! **11 am–6 pm**

FRIDAY NIGHT HIGHLIGHTS

The Museum is open until 9 pm Fridays through May 25
A variety of movies, concerts, Art Hops, special events, and laser light shows are available for adult audiences each week. Friday nights in May include planetarium, Art Hop, and first floor exhibits only.
Prices range from **FREE** to \$5 per person

LIVE MUSIC AND FILMS

- Feb. 3** Art Hop: Joseph Jarrett Jr. 5 pm Free
- Feb. 10** Dirty Dancing 7 pm \$3
(Rated PG-13; 97 minutes; 1987)
- Feb. 17** Neil Jacobs 7 pm \$5
(Acoustic 12-String Guitar/Gypsy/World)
- Feb. 24** Treading Bleu 7 pm \$5
(Alternative/Acoustic Rock)
- March 2** Art Hop / Fret Contest 6 pm Free
- March 9** Third Coast 7 pm \$5
- March 16** Reading Together: The Magnificent Seven 7pm \$3 (Not Rated; 127 minutes; 1960)
- March 23** Ninth Street Bridge 7 pm Free
(Acoustic/Americana/Indie)
- March 30** Breakfast Club 7 pm \$3
(Rated R; 95 minutes; 1985)
- April 6** Art Hop 5 pm Free
- April 13** Mark Sahlgren 7 pm \$5
(Folk)
- April 20** Oceans 7 pm \$3
(Rated G; 100 minutes; 2010)
- April 27** Belfast Gin 7 pm \$5
(Celtic/Folk Rock/Indie)
- May 4** Art Hop 5 pm Free

SUNDAY HISTORY SERIES

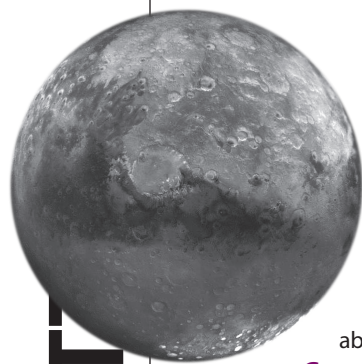
- 1:30 pm **FREE**. Seating is limited
- Jan. 8** The Making of the Paper City
- Jan. 22** Kalamazoo's Own: The 13th Michigan Volunteer Infantry
- Feb. 12** Dating Old Family Photographs
- Feb. 26** Kalamazoo Artifactory
- March 11** The Story of Tintype Photography
- March 25** Socialism in One City: The 1912 Kalamazoo Municipal Elections
- April 22** The State Hospital Water Tower
- May 13** The Life and Legacy of Orville Gibson

FIRST SUNDAY JAM

with Kalamazoo Folklife Organization
Bring an instrument and join the fun on the first Sunday of the month from 1:30 until 2:15 pm. Guest performers will be featured each month, so if you just like to come to listen, drop in, sit down, and enjoy the music!



FREE DOCUMENTARY
January 16 is Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Museum open from 1–5 pm
In Remembrance of Martin
2 pm–60 minutes



PLANETARIUM

See the latest in planetarium technology – full-color, full-dome video with more animation than ever before. New shows added every year! \$3 per person

FEATURE SHOWS

Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays at 3 pm

Invaders of Mars through March 16

Orbiting spacecraft from Earth gather information about great chasms, canyons, and volcanoes.

Crossing the Sun March 17–June 15

Get ready to witness the once in a lifetime alignment of worlds that takes place this summer as Venus transits, or crosses the sun.

FAMILY SHOWS

Weekdays at 11 am, Saturdays 1 pm, Sundays 2 pm

Sky Legends of the Three Fires

through March 16

Native American storyteller Two Hawks presents three stories about the night sky.

Mystery of the Missing Seasons

March 17–June 15

While observing the springtime sky from his own backyard, Angelo is visited by aliens from a planet without seasons.

STARGAZING SHOWS

Saturdays at 2 pm

Orion Nights through March 10

Learn to find stars within the constellations, and discover how they go through a cycle of birth, aging, and death as their fuel is consumed.

The Artists' Sky March 17–June 15

Experience the stars through the visceral expression of story, song, painting, and music.

Laser Light Shows in the Planetarium

Every Friday Night at 8:30 pm \$3

LED ZEPPELIN through March 16

PINK FLOYD, either *The Wall* or *Dark Side of the Moon* March 23–June 15

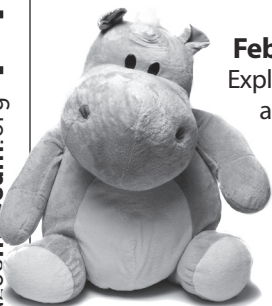
Additional programs

Check our website for additional planetarium shows and Challenger Experience offerings.

Burton Henry Upjohn

CHILDREN'S LANDSCAPE

Preschoolers with their parents or caregivers have a special place within the Museum that encourages creative play and provides programs and interactive exhibits, all geared for ages 5 and under. Older children may participate only if accompanying a preschooler, with the expectation that their play be appropriate to preschool surroundings. **FREE**



February/March Animals, Animals

Explore habitats around the world and the animals that live in them.

April/May Play Ball

You can have fun and get healthy while you exercise and play!

Circle Time programs

These 20 minute teacher-led programs are free of charge to families and preschool groups. Activities may include stories, music, games, and art projects. Circle Time takes place Monday through Friday at 10 am and 1 pm, and Saturday at 11 am. Programs are designed for preschool children ages 3-5.

Children's Landscape Hours

Monday through Friday 9 am–3 pm

Saturday 9 am–5 pm

Sunday 1 pm–5 pm

Programming and hours of operation may differ during holiday breaks.



PROGRAMS FOR KIDS & FAMILIES



SATURDAY HANDS-ON PROGRAMS

Drop in anytime during the hours indicated for these **FREE** Saturday family Hands-On programs. Call or visit our website for a list of programs designed just for you.

Picture This! February 11 1–4 pm

Create a variety of self-portraits celebrating what makes you unique!

◀ **Michigan: The Mitten State** February 25 1–4 pm

Learn more about our state symbols, from the majestic White Pine to the prehistoric mastodon.

Festival of Health March 10 12–4 pm

Local health professionals will share tips on staying healthy and stress-free. Learn more about exercise and other ways to maintain your health.

APRIL 2–6

SPRING BREAK HANDS-ON HAPPENINGS

Extra, Extra, Read All About It!

Monday–Friday 1–4 pm **FREE**

A different exhibit each day will be a featured headliner! Create crafts, hear a related story, and see airbrush art on an artifact from each exhibit by local artist Joseph Jarrett Jr. *Additional planetarium shows and Challenger programs are available daily. Details online.*

April 2 High Winds Leave a Mark

Create objects that use wind power and learn about the town now buried by Lake Michigan winds and sand.

Planetarium Special *Treasures of the Great Lakes* 1 pm \$3

Challenger Experience 1:30 pm \$3

Mars Mini-Mission 3 pm \$3

April 3 Race to the Finish

Discover the technology and the art that goes into making fast vehicles.

Planetarium Special *Dawn of the Space Age* 1 pm \$3

Challenger Experience 1 pm \$3

Mars Mini-Mission 3 pm \$3

April 4 Ancient Mummy Goes High Tech!

Science and technology have combined to help us learn more about the past, including more about our mummy.

Planetarium Special *Stars of the Pharaohs*, 1 pm \$3

Challenger Experience 1 pm \$3

Mars Mini-Mission 3 pm \$3

April 5 Adding It All Up

Find out how to design using recycled materials and how to better budget your money; it all adds up!

Planetarium Special *Secret of the Cardboard Rocket* 1 pm \$3

Challenger Experience 1:30 pm \$3

Mars Mini-Mission 3 pm \$3

April 6 Local Guitars Strike a Note

Guitars have a history as well as a future here in West Michigan; find out more about it!

Planetarium Special *The Artists' Sky* 1 pm \$3

Challenger Experience 1:30 pm \$3

Mars Mini-Mission 3 pm \$3



In memory of Alvin H. and Emily T. Little

CHALLENGER LEARNING CENTER

The CLC is a space-flight simulation experience, now for all ages! Come find out what school kids already know – this is way cool! Go to our website for details on public program dates and times, and to make reservations for groups.

The Challenger Experience

This is an opportunity for young children and grown-ups to get an introduction to the spacecraft simulator. Visitors will lift off from Earth, dock with a space station, and return to Earth – all in 20 minutes! No age restrictions, but children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. *\$3 per person*

Mini-Missions

This 45-minute session in the spacecraft simulator will fly you to Mars, giving you an opportunity to try different roles. For small groups ages 8 and up. Each child ages 8 to 11 must be accompanied by a partner age 12 or older. *\$3 per person*

Junior Missions

These 90-minute missions include some hands-on team-building activities prior to the actual mission and are designed for small groups of up to 14 participants, ages 8 and up. *\$5 per person*

Full Missions

This program is designed to build teamwork and leadership skills. It includes one hour of pre-flight activities and orientation and a two-hour mission. This program is great for adults or students in grades 5 and up. *\$25 per person*



Junior Mission Details

Ages 8 & up; minimum of 8, maximum of 14 participants. Registration and \$80 deposit required at least two weeks prior to mission date. *\$10/person*

GENERAL INFO

Group Activities at the Museum

KVM is a great destination for parties and group activities. Groups can attend performances, planetarium shows, Challenger Learning Center missions, movies, special classes, or hands-on programs! Call us at 269.373.7965 for more information on any of the programs available to groups of all ages.

Accessibility Services

The KVM is barrier-free. Sign language interpreters may be scheduled for programs with a minimum of two weeks' notice. Assisted listening devices are available for use in the Planetarium. Our TDD number is 269.373.7982.

Do Good, Have Fun!

Call 269.373.7955 to learn about the benefits of volunteering at the Kalamazoo Valley Museum.

Kalamazoo VALLEY Museum

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FREE GENERAL ADMISSION

Planetarium, The Challenger Experience & Workshops: \$3/student, minimum charge \$45
Challenger Learning Center Full Missions: \$5/student (within KVCC district); \$8/student (outside KVCC district)

Monday–Thursday + Sat 9 am–5 pm
Friday (through May) 9 am–9 pm
Sunday + Holidays 1 pm–5 pm

Closed: Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve,
Christmas Day and Easter

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