Welcome back!

Your State Museum and Planetarium are open! Come see a show in our freshly upgraded Planetarium beginning November 3rd, and cruise our galleries while you’re here. Or reserve a trip for spring: all our workshops, science talks and tours will be offered in person beginning April 6, 2022. And if you can’t travel yet, check out our enhanced Virtual Field Trip Kits or Ask the Experts virtual science talks. There’s something here for everyone!
The New Jersey State Museum is a center for the exploration of science, history and the arts. We preserve and share stories that inspire curiosity and creativity for the enrichment of our communities.
Our Planetarium opens November 3rd, fully upgraded with an ultra-high resolution 8K projection system, so your experience is sure to be out of this world!

**Schedule your visit today!**
**Show times are 10 am, 11 am and 1 pm, Wed - Fri.**

Visit the LEARN tab on our website for a complete list of shows and trailers. The first group to book a show time chooses the show!

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**IN PERSON SHOWS**

**Wednesday thru Friday**

From the ancient Maya to adventures on Mars, we have shows for all age groups and interests!

Cost: $5 per person, including teachers and chaperones. Payment is due 2 weeks in advance.

Group Size: Planetarium seats 140 people; larger groups will be scheduled for two or more shows. Minimum groups size of 15 attendees.

Shows are 25-45 minutes long. Most shows also include a New Jersey Sky Talk.

Shows begin promptly at the scheduled time. We are unable to issue refunds for late arrivals.
VIRTUAL NIGHT SKY TALKS
Available Tuesdays

Zoom through the night sky with an expert astronomer! Learn all about the stars, planets and constellations observable in the New Jersey sky, right from your classroom.

Cost: $2 per student.

Night Sky Talks are 20 minutes long, and are offered Tuesdays throughout the school year.

Our expert can join your virtual class meet, or we can provide a Google Meet or Zoom link at your request.

When you book a Night Sky Talk, you'll also receive a link to stream the show "To Space & Back." It's a story of human ingenuity and engineering, and the daily impacts of space travel on our lives. Show running time is 45 minutes.

PLANETARIUM PRICING

IN PERSON SHOW

Wednesday - Friday. $5 per person*
including teachers and chaperones

VIRTUAL NIGHT SKY TALK

Tuesday. $2 per student

*Trenton Public Schools and Title 1 schools receive a 20% discount.

Reservations & Information: Reservations.NJSM@sos.nj.gov or 609-292-1382
FOSSIL HUNTERS
IN NEW JERSEY

New Jersey abounds with fossils! Paleontologist Dr. Dana Ehret shares exciting fossil discoveries from throughout the state, what fossils tell us about ancient ecosystems, and all of the challenges paleontologists face in this adventurous field.

PEOPLE OF THE PAST:
ARCHAEOLOGY IN NJ

How do artifacts help archaeologists understand the lives of prehistoric humans? Archaeologist Dr. Gregory Lattanzi leads this exploration of the unique artifacts, geography and environments of important New Jersey archaeological sites.

ASK THE EXPERTS
LIVE SCIENCE TALKS

Cost: $3 per student. Scientist-led talks are 45 minutes with a Q+A session. Same cost for Virtual or In Person, due 2 weeks in advance.

SCHEDULE A VIRTUAL TALK

Our expert can join your virtual classroom, or we can provide a Google Meet or Zoom link. Link will be supplied once payment is received.

For better student participation, groups larger than 50 students may wish to split into multiple virtual sessions.

SCHEDULE AN IN PERSON TALK

Ask the Expert Live Science Talks will be offered in person at the State Museum, Wednesday-Friday beginning in April 2022.

In person Ask the Expert talks can accommodate groups of up to 150 students. Minimum group size 15.

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**VIRTUAL FIELD TRIP KITS**

**Bring the State Museum to you, with 3 incredible kits for distance learning!**

*Scaffolded for students in grades K-4 or 5-8, kits are compatible with Google Classroom and include:*

- **Enhanced gallery tours (pre-recorded)**
- **Set of 25 hands-on crafts + instructions**
- **3 printable activities to expand learning**

**KIT PRICING**

- $75 per kit of 25 projects
- **FREE in person pick up at the Museum OR direct shipping for $30/box (up to 50 projects in a box to minimize your shipping cost)**
- Digital links will be emailed and materials supplied after payment is received.

**ART & INSPIRATION KIT**

Enhanced Gallery Tour (pre-recorded)
- For All Grades: "It’s Made of WHAT?" A close-up of artists and the materials they use in making sculpture.

"Painting with Texture" art project
- Canvas paper, paint & brushes
- Instructions for mixing color and texture elements in artwork

Expansion Activities
- The Artist’s Eye: Observation in Art Making
- Color Your World: Emotional Expression
- Wilderness Artworks

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VIRTUAL FIELD TRIP KITS

LENAPE ARTISTRY KIT

Enhanced Gallery Tours (pre-recorded)
- For Grades K-4: "Digging the Past"
  An introduction to archaeology and New Jersey's First People.
- For Grades 5-8: "A Resilient People"
  Lenape cultural changes in the face of colonization and hardship.

"Weave a Block-Stamped Basket" craft
- 25 basket frames, raffia & beads
- Copy of Rainbow Crow Lenape tale
- Instructions for weaving your basket

Expansion Activities
- Archaeology 101: Layers in the Earth
- Lenape Games to make and play
- Rainbow Crow Coloring Page

FANTASTIC FOSSILS KIT

Enhanced Gallery Tours (pre-recorded)
- For Grades K-4: "Into the Deep Freeze"
  Explore New Jersey in the Ice Age.
- For Grades 5-8: "Dinosaurs & Deception"
  A paleontology feud of epic proportions.

"Paint a Prehistoric Creature" craft
- 25 plaster molds, paint & brushes
- Instructions for a Paleozoic diorama

Expansion Activities
- Paleo Practice: Fossil Assembly
- Earth History Timeline
- DIY Woolly Mammoths

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Our galleries are open for you to wander with your students! Look for our new gallery activity guides in Archaeology, Fine Art, Cultural and Natural History.

**Guided Gallery Tours, hosted by our expert educators, resume in April 2022.**

**Schedule your spring visit today!**

Groups larger than 20 students may be split into multiple tours to maintain social distancing. Minimum group size 15 students.

Book a Virtual Field Trip Kit to take home with you and keep exploring after your visit!

Visit our website to find out what’s on display!

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**Homeschools**

Homeschool groups of 15 students or more are invited to schedule in person and virtual programs, tours and Planetarium shows!

Advanced reservations and payment are required; the same fees and cancellation policies apply to homeschool and school groups.

Groups larger than 20 students may be divided into multiple program sessions. Minimum group size is 15 students.

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IN PERSON WORKSHOPS

Available starting April 6, 2022

PRICING

Cost: $3 per student, due 2 weeks in advance.

Workshops are 45 minutes long, and are offered Wednesday through Friday.

For safety, workshop capacity will be limited to 20 students. Larger groups will be divided into multiple sessions.

DIGGING FOR DINOSAURS
Explore NJ’s geologic history
Grades 2-7

LENAPE ARTISTIC TRADITIONS
Learn about Delaware-Lenape culture
Grades 1-5

HEARTH AND HOME
Engineer an eco-friendly home
Grades 4-8

EARTHQUAKES
Complete the seismometer design challenge
Grades 4-10

WIDE WORLD OF WEATHER
Experience Earth’s electrifying weather phenomenon
Grades K-4

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Art and storytelling go hand in hand as we explore how paintings tell stories and create mood through color, themes and composition.

**PAINT ME A STORY**
Art and storytelling go hand in hand as we explore how paintings tell stories and create mood through color, themes and composition.

**DINO MOTION**
Discover how dinosaurs and prehistoric reptiles moved through their environments as we combine art, imaginative play and real fossils!

**STARS & SHAPES FOREVER**
Meet our favorite star and the planets that orbit in our solar system, and make a stellar craft!
Pair a planetarium show like "Little Star that Could" with this workshop (additional cost applies).

**Pricing**
Cost: $2 per student, due 2 weeks in advance.

Workshops are 45 minutes long, and are offered Wednesday through Friday.

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The New Jersey State Museum is located at 205 West State Street, Trenton, NJ 08608
For questions or to schedule in person or virtual programs, call 609-292-1382 or email Reservations.NJSM@sos.nj.gov

Guidelines for In Person Visits

- All in-person programs are subject to change per COVID-19 health and safety regulations. We reserve the option to reschedule or cancel programs if we are unable to safely serve you.
- Reservations for programs must be made in advance, and full payment is due 2 weeks before the program date.
- We require at least one chaperone for every 10 students.
- We are unable to offer reserved indoor lunch space at this time. However, students are welcome to use the picnic tables located outside the Museum front entrance on a first come, first served basis.
- Groups arriving late will be accommodated to the best of our ability. However, we are unable to offer refunds for programs missed due to lateness.

Please check our website before your visit for the most up-to-date COVID-19 safety policies and guidelines.

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