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SPECIAL FAMILY PROGRAMMING FEATURED AT THE MUSEUM OF SCIENCE THROUGHOUT THANKSGIVING WEEKEND Buffalo Museum of Science to feature family-friendly activities November 28-30

Buffalo, NY (November 21) – The Buffalo Museum of Science will be open to the public November 28th-30th and will feature special programming for families celebrating turkeys and Native American contributions to our country's history. The activities are included with museum admission (\$7 adults; \$6 seniors, \$5 children over three and students with proper ID; and free for Museum Members and children under 3) and the programming schedule will be as follows:

	Museum Hours	Special Programming Hours
Friday, November 28	10am – 5pm	11am – 3pm
Saturday, November 29	10am – 5pm	11am – 3pm
Sunday, November 30	12 – 5pm	1 – 4pm

Special programming will include:

- Native American Games
- Turkey Talk: Discussion on turkeys, their adaptations, calls and feathers as well as Native American foods and natural cures
- Native American Story Time for children and their caregivers
- Experimenting with Native American Tools, including drills and fire bows
- "Make and take" Pokean, a Native American game, as well as toys created from corn husks

All museum exhibits, including its current themed-experience, *CULTURE QUEST*, will also be open all weekend. Please call 716.896.5200 for more information.

ABOUT CULTURE QUEST: Now through January 4, 2009

Included with museum admission

Our interests and passions feed our desire to collect things through time and travel. This hobby is a way our world keeps cultures and traditions alive and is a driving force behind the collections of priceless items displayed in museums around the world. *CULTURE QUEST*, sponsored by Time Warner Cable, explores the history of the Buffalo Museum of Science and explains how the museum acquired its extensive collection of over 600,000 artifacts and specimens. The exhibit tells the stories of notable collectors who have made interesting and unique contributions to the museum's collection, including the museum's most dynamic president, Chauncey Hamlin. Select items from these collections will be on display along with personal collections on loan from famous Buffalonians, such as Charles Rand Penney and Robby Takac of the Goo Goo Dolls. *CULTURE QUEST* also examines the psychology of collecting and the driving force behind why people collect, as well as how collecting has preserved our history and cultures for future generations.

The Buffalo Museum of Science is the non-profit educational institution dedicated to the study and interpretation of the natural and physical sciences. Its extensive collections of over 600,000 specimens and artifacts represent all facets of the natural world with an emphasis on Western New York as well as man-made objects spanning the globe. Based at 1020 Humboldt Parkway and anchoring Buffalo's East Side in Olmsted-designed Martin Luther King, Jr. Park since 1929, the Museum presents a wide variety of programs and services for children, teachers, families, adults, and community organizations throughout each year. General admission to the Museum is \$7 adults; \$6 seniors (age 62+); \$5 students and children over 3; and free for members and children under 3. The Museum also operates Tift Nature Preserve in South Buffalo, a 264-acre urban wetland preserve on reclaimed former industrial land and seasonally sponsors archaeological exploration at the Hiscock Site in nearby Genesee County, NY, one of North America's richest Ice Age sites. For further information on the Museum and its upcoming activities, call 716-896-5200 or visit www.buffalomuseumofscience.org.

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