





# Buffalo Museum of Science & Tifft Nature Preserve MAY & JUNE 2024

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## JUNE 7 AT TIFFT | 6 - 9 P.M.

Science After Hours is headed to Tifft for an adult evening of summer camp! Enjoy a drink from the cash bar in the Darling Education Center and take part in nostaglic camp crafts, activities, and fun!

Ages 21+ | Cash Bar - Photo ID required. Tickets \$25 at tifft.org

# Affiliate STEAM Day May 4, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

All Ages | Free with admission

Curious about all the affiliated organizations of the Buffalo Society of Natural Sciences and all that they do? Perhaps you like rocks, birds, or plants? We have an affiliate for you! Come meet members of the BSNS affiliates and learn about their organizations and the activities they do.



## Return from 12 - 3 p.m. starting May 4!

Solar Saturdays return select Saturdays through October! Weather permitting, get a rooftop view of the Buffalo Niagara region and beyond. Please visit sciencebuff.org for current accessibility to the rooftop.

Rooftop access is included with general admission and FREE for Members.



Sponsored by Independent Health.



# Wednesday, June 19

Activities 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. All Ages | FREE

All are invited to enjoy free general Museum admission and explore together at Independent Health's annual Community Health Day! Guests may participate in a variety of fun and interactive happenings with a focus on health and wellness.

# **Extended Wednesday Hours End May 29**

Our extended Wednesday hours are going on summer break! Your last chance to explore the Museum until 9 p.m. on Wednesdays is May 29. Stay tuned for details on our monthly *Twilight at the Museum* programs, returning in July on select Friday nights!

# **BUFFALO MUSEUM OF SCIENCE**

# FOR ADULTS

# SciNIGHT

#### ADULT WORKSHOPS | ADULTS 18+ \$30 PER PARTICIPANT\*

#### SCI-NIGHT WORKSHOP: WATERCOLOR GALAXY ART May 8, 6 - 7 p.m.

Unlock the elemental nature of deep space in this art and science workshop. Using watercolor and pen, you will materialize your own unique and surprising galaxies and nebulae on notecards and paper. Not confident in your art ability? No worries. This workshop is fun and approachable.

#### BEHIND-THE-SCENES COLLECTIONS TOURS | ADULTS 18+ \$30 PER PARTICIPANT\*

Did you know the Museum houses more than 700,000 specimens and artifacts? Get behind the scenes to see what few have seen and explore the Museum's Collection. Tours are approximately 90 minutes in length. Adults 18+ only. Register online or by phone at least one week in advance.

#### **GEOLOGY ROCKS!**

#### May 1 & June 6, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Holmes! What kind of rock is this? Sedimentary, my dear Watson. Learn why this and other corny Y jokes are funny by investigating the Museum's Geology Collection. Come behind the scenes and see the rock cycle, marvel at our minerals and discover our large fossil collection.

#### **CABINET OF CURIOSITIES**

#### May 15 & June 19, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Take a peek into the Vertebrate Zoology Collection's spinetingling Cabinet of Curiosities to explore the mind-bending stories of some of nature's unique freaks, morbid mistakes, and seemingly scientific impossibilities! Marvel at obscure oddities, glimpse the wildly unusual, and satisfy your macabre interests. Feeling enticed yet? We invite (dare) you to join us for a hair-raising tour to get an eyeful of all this, and more.

# Celebrate ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

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Join us in celebrating some of the many scientific contributions of Asian Pacific Americans throughout history.

## FAMILY AND PUBLIC PROGRAMS

#### WILD HOPE: COMMUNITY SCREENING & DISCUSSION WITH BUFFALO TORONTO PUBLIC MEDIA | Free with registration | June 12, 6 - 7:30 p.m. | All Ages

Join us for a community screening and discussion focusing on freshwater restoration efforts. Together we'll watch the Wild Hope episode "The Big Oyster" a story of an alliance of architects, restaurateurs, scientists, and high school students deploying one billion oysters to restore New York Harbor and protect the city from climate change. Afterwards, learn about restoration projects and issues in our local Great Lakes ecosystem from a panel of Research Associates with the Buffalo Society of Natural Sciences.

# DAILY DEMOS & SCIENCE SPOT STAGE SHOWS | Free with museum admission | Daily | All Ages

Will you interact with classic naval tools, listen to records on a vintage player, or play a trivia game today? Every day is a chance to explore something new when you join our Experience team in rotating Daily Demos & Science Spot

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#### **COLLECTIONS LIVE! | ALL AGES**

Collections Live! is made possible by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature. Included with Museum admission and free for members.

#### WORKING WITH THE GEOLOGY COLLECTION

MAY ONLY, Mondays, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. | Fourth floor (stair access only)

A lot goes on behind the scenes in our Collections Department. Unearth some of the projects our staff and volunteers are currently working on in Geology Storage. No pre-registration required.

#### STUDY SKINS - THE SCIENCE OF PRESERVATION

Tuesdays, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. | Fourth floor (stair access only) Join collections staff in our Specimen Preparation Lab where you will delve into the macabre world of preserving flesh, skin, and bones. Uncover the significance of each specimen and how they are collectively used to advance science. No pre-registration required.

#### GEOLOGY WITH JOE | Wednesdays, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Bring your mystery rocks and fossils and learn how to identify and catalog your collection. No pre-registration required.

## **DISCOVERY CAMPS**

#### AGE GROUPS: PRE-K - GRADE 5

**\$310\* PER CAMPER** | Register today at sciencebuff.org Early drop off begins at 8:30 a.m. | Late pick-up arrangements must be made at the time of registration. 4:30-5:30 p.m. at \$12 per half hour, per day.

# SUMMER 2024 DISCOVERY CAMP | JULY 1- AUGUST 30 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Give your child a summer of exploration and discovery! Select camp spots are still available at the Museum. Programs are tailored to grade levels for Pre-K through Grade 5. Choose from several fun themes. Extended care hours available.

# TIFFT NATURE PRESERVE

## FOR ADULTS

#### ECOLOGICAL RENOVATION TOUR

#### May 18, 10 - 11:30 a.m. | Ages 18+ | \$8 per person\*

Tifft Nature Preserve provides guests with an immersion in nature. Enjoy a behind-the-scenes tour of how this is made possible through unique and innovative ecological renovation projects. We will explore projects along the trails, such as diverse native plantings, invasive species removal, and the preservation of our woodland and wetland habitats.

#### IT ONLY TAKES A FEW BUCKS: HOW DEER ARE RESHAPING OUR NATURAL HABITAT June 13, 6 - 7:30 p.m. | Ages 18+ | FREE\*

White-tailed deer are important and influential native wildlife to our region. Join us for an indoor presentation and outdoor trail tour on deer population impact upon our native plant and animal species with time for a group discussion.

#### DATE NIGHT WITH GRAYCLIFF & TIFFT

#### June 20, 5:30 - 9 p.m. | Ages 21+ | \$30

Graycliff and Tifft have teamed up to offer an enchanting date night experience which includes an Open House tour of Frank Lloyd Wright's Graycliff estate with hard cider tastings from Tree Hugger, followed by a guided Twilight Tour of sunset-lit trails through Tifft's woodlands and wetland boardwalk. Register at experiencegraycliff.org!

## SciNIGHT

# ADULT WORKSHOPS | ADULTS 18+

#### CONTAINER GARDENS WORKSHOP

#### May 23, 7 - 8:30 p.m. | \$30\*

Container gardening allows you to bring the benefits and beauty of native plants to small spaces, including your balcony, deck, and urban garden. Explore which species are best and why. Then create and take home a container, soil, and native seeds to germinate this Spring!

#### INTRODUCTION TO FLY-TYING | June 12, 7 - 8:30 p.m. | \$20\*

Don't miss this indoor presentation and hands-on workshop on the art and science of fly-tying with the Lake Erie Chapter of Fly Fishers International, lecflyfisher.com. Each guest will create a fly to take home. All materials provided.

## TIFFT'S ACCESSIBLE TRAIL

Tifft is beginning the construction phase for an accessible trail, a .75-mile loop that begins at the Darling Education Center and leads visitors of all mobilities around Heritage Boardwalk to enjoy the beautiful cattail marsh.

Anticipated to open in late 2025, the trail will feature a number of highlights, including:

- concrete walkways to doors of the Education Center
- compacted trail surface
- •wider, rebuilt Heritage Boardwalk
- •viewing platform accessible by wheeled mobility devices

The Buffalo Society of Natural Sciences received financial support for the accessible trail from Erie County, New York State, Buffalo & Erie County Greenway Fund, The Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Legacy Funds at the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo, and the Montgomery Family Foundation.

## **FOR KIDS**

#### NATURE & ME EARLY CHILDHOOD ADVENTURE

May 18, 10 - 11:30 a.m. | Ages 3-5 | \$10 per child with FREE adult\*

Explore the Spring season with your tiny naturalist through guided playful indoor activitives and crafts inspired by the esteemed Reggio Emilia philosophy! Guided trail walk included (weather pending). BYO snack to enjoy afterwards.

#### FISH WITH DADDY DAY | June 16,

#### 2 - 3:30 p.m. | All ages | \$8 per child with free adult\*

Children up to age 15 years are invited to borrow our fishing gear and join in a guided fishing experience to celebrate Father's Day off our front fishing pier.

## FOR KIDS & ADULTS

#### **SUNSET & MOONRISE HIKE**

May 22, 7:30 - 9 p.m. | Ages 5+| \$8 per person\*

Witness the beauty of both the Sun setting and the (almost) full Moon rising on a casual guided family hike through the Preserve at twilight.

#### DEC FREE FAMILY FISHING CLINIC | June 8,

#### 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. | All ages | FREE\*

Join the N.Y.S. Dept. of Environmental Conservation (DEC) biologists, Erie County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs, and volunteers for a family day of fishing education and fishing at Tifft's Lake Kirsty West and South shorelines. Fishing poles are available to borrow and bait is provided. No fishing license is required by participants of any age. Call 716-533-4070 to register.

### WELLNESS WALKS | Every Thursday, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. |

All ages | FREE | \$3 donation per person is appreciated Drop by Tifft Nature Preserve every Thursday and join us for a casual volunteer-led tour of the Preserve. Please call 716-825-6397 to confirm walk will take place. *Presented by Independent Health.* 



\*BMS Members receive 10% off. Advance registration required.

# Curious George

# Let's Get Curious!

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Last chance! Closes May 12

# with the world's busiest monkey during our special spring exhibit!

#### Member Mondays 9 - 10 a.m.

Embark on a wonderous adventure

Enjoy member-only access to the first and second floors of the Museum, including Curious George!

#### Curious George Storytime Mondaus at 10:30 a.m.

Each week, we'll be reading a different Curious George book.

## Pajama Night with Curious George Wednesdays 4 - 9 p.m.

Experience the world of Curious George during the Museum's extended Wednesday hours! Join Museum staff for story time at 6 p.m. PJs are optional!

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**Education Center Hours** 

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**Trail Hours** 

**Tifft Nature Preserve** 

The programs of the Buffalo Society of Natural Sciences are supported in part by public funds from the County of Erie; City of Buffalo; New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation; and our members and friends.

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

# **Buffalo Museum of Science**

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#### **Museum Hours**

Monday - Sunday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Extended Wednesday Hours *through May* 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.

#### Admission

Adults (18-61)	\$19
Children (2-17)	\$16
Seniors (62+)	\$16
Student/Military (ID REQUIRED)	\$16
Members	FREE
Children Under 2	FREE

AAA Members, Buffalo & Erie County Public Library Cardholders, and NFTA pass cardholders can receive discounted admission. Cannot be combined with other offers. Exclusions may apply due to contractual agreements with certain exhibits.

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Also available Monday and Tuesday for group reservations and private rentals.

Access to Tifft's grounds, boardwalks and trails is FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Reservations are required for groups of 10+.

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