



COASTAL DISCOVERY MUSEUM

Experience The
Lowcountry Up Close

Art and Environment After Hours

Thursday - 5 PM - 7 PM

\$15 per person - additional materials fee may apply

These hands on, after hours classes are NEW in 2019! Programs vary seasonally. Come learn about local art, culture, and environment - from the experts - AND take home something that you helped create. Minimum of 6 participants, maximum of 20 for all programs

Appropriate for ages 10 and older (unless otherwise noted in the schedule).



6/6- Beautiful Butterflies - \$15 per person - Explore the Karen Wertheimer Butterfly Habitat to learn about native butterflies, host plants, and nectar plants with the CDM's Manager of Natural History, Carlos Chacon. This program will begin indoors with a presentation about local butterflies, their life cycle and natural history. A guided visit of the butterfly habitat follows where participants can get up close and personal with all the four stages of the butterfly life cycle. After the guided walk, participants will create their own personalized butterfly-wing bookmark. Participants may also take home a milkweed plant and a monarch caterpillar (optional).

6/13- Build a Bog- \$15 per person - Learn about the different groups of carnivorous plants present in the Lowcountry and walk away with your own carnivorous plant bog garden. Join Carlos Chacon, the Manager of Natural History at the Coastal Discovery Museum for this unique opportunity to build your own bog garden. The Lowcountry is home to different groups of plants that have independently evolved carnivorous habits. From tiny sundews, to large pitcher plants, butterworts, aquatic bladderworts and the unique Venus Fly Trap – hear how these incredible plants defy the odds by outsmarting insects and other prey.

6/20- Busy Bees - \$15 per person - We need bees! Bees have proven to be vital pollinator and most of the food we eat depends on bees in one way or another. Learn about the fascinating biology and social structure of honey bees and take a closer look at honey bees at work through the glass wall of an observation hive. Through hands-on experiences learn more about and get a taste of what honey bees make. Make your own beeswax products to take home and enjoy.

6/27 - Indigo Exploration - \$15 per person - Journey to the past and “meet” Eliza Lucas Pinckney. In 1739, when Eliza was just 17 years old, her experiments with indigo resulted in a very profitable industry for the colony of South Carolina. Hear her unique story, learn how indigo dye was made, and make your own indigo tie-dye t-shirt to take home. This family friendly educational experience is fun for all ages.

Only registered paid participants will be admitted into these programs. If participants are planning to bring a child, chaperone, spouse, driver, etc. they must also register. At least one adult must accompany each group.

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7/11 - Art of Flintknapping - \$15 per person - For 10,000 years Native People in the Americas crafted beautiful tools from obsidian, chert, flint, and other glassy stones by carefully removing stone flakes from a chunk of rock. You will learn the techniques behind making these tools and how to identify chipped stone tools found in this area. You will leave the program with your own chipped stone tool and a lot of appreciation for how difficult it is to craft a thin and symmetrical arrowhead or spearpoint. This program requires some hand and arm strength, but the ability to make a tool is more related to proper technique than brute strength. You will be making a spear point using obsidian (volcanic glass) by knocking flakes off with stone and antler hammers. Although gloves and eye protection will be provided, this is an activity that by its very nature may result in cuts or other injuries and is not appropriate for children under 14.

7/18 - Herbs and Art - \$15 per person - There are so many fun, helpful, and surprising uses for herbs. From flavoring, to clearing negative energy, to medicine, to keeping away mosquitoes, and so much more. Come and learn about the many uses of herbs from Shelly Welch, the Director of Wellness at Moss Creek Community. Decorate a pot to start your own container garden for your home.

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8/1 - Sea Turtle Time - \$15 per person - Sea turtles live an extraordinary life. Explore the amazing journey of Loggerhead Sea Turtles from egg to adulthood. Discover just how easy it is to help protect these fascinating sea creatures. You will not see live sea turtles but this is a hands-on, eye-opening, experience filled with unique educational materials to see, touch, and interact with. To decorate a wooden sea turtle cutout and make something beautiful out of materials that would otherwise be thrown away.

8/8 - A Day at the Beach - \$15 per person - Explore the beach...without actually going to the beach. Discover the wide variety of fascinating critters that you can find on the beach. Learn about what lives in those beautiful shells you find. Investigate the lives of beach visitors like sea turtles and horseshoe crabs. Discuss the importance of the beach habitat and how you can protect our local beaches. All participants will receive a picture frame to decorate with your own beach treasures. Bring your own beach treasures to use...other decorating supplies provided by the Museum.

8/15- Shibori and Indigo Workshop - \$40 per person (\$15 program + \$25 materials) - Come learn some basic Shibori: binding, blocking, and stitching techniques on fabric. A local artist and instructor, Stella Lee Anderson, will show you a few techniques and some examples of finished Shibori with indigo. Choose whatever method you like and then, dye your fabric in indigo. Participants may bring their own fabric or use some provided for you (tea towels, pillow cases, various fabric). Learn about the history of indigo and see it up close at the museum’s Discovery Lab.

8/22 - Plants and Pigments - \$15 per person - Take a short walk around the beautiful Honey Horn property and find out about some interesting, dangerous, edible, and important plants that are native to the lowcountry. Collect a few leaves and flowers and learn how to use them to dye fabric. Each participant will use plants to dye two tea towels to take home.

8/29- Sweetgrass Basket Workshop - \$65 per person (\$15 program + \$50 materials) - Learn about the history of the Sweetgrass basket, one of the Lowcountry's best known art forms, from a local 7th generation Gullah basket maker. Then, try your hand at starting a basket of your own using locally found natural materials.

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