



## Discovery Night at the Museum Thursday - 5 PM Prices Vary

These hands on, after hours classes vary seasonally. Come learn about local art, culture, and environment - from the experts - In many classes, you'll take home something that create.

Minimum of 6 participants, maximum of 20 for all programs

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



**March 12th - Learning to Cast a Net** - The cast net is a valuable tool for catching shrimp, bait, and fish from the Lowcountry's estuaries. Learn how to throw a cast net from a local angler. This hands-on program will show you the best way to 'open the net' on every cast. Beginners are welcome. Bring your own net – or use one of ours. Ages 12 and older please. *Cost: \$10 per person*

**March 19th - "Going Coastal: Palmettos at Dusk"** - Going Coastal is the first in a series of art classes offered at Coastal Discovery Museum, led by Hilton Head native and artist Kristin Griffis. Going Coastal is all about appreciating the spectacular sights of the Lowcountry! Paint along with her and create your own piece of art to take home. Kristin has been an art instructor on the island for over a decade and is a professional artist. In the past, she led an art group of home-schoolers. She has worked with Island Rec Center as the Summer Camp Art Director and is currently an instructor at Art League. All materials will be provided for participants. Ages 12 and older. *Cost: \$40 per person.*

**March 26th - Horseshoe Crabs: A Living Fossil** - With its tough, helmet-like body, and long, pointed tail, the horseshoe crab is one of the most intriguing and misunderstood marine invertebrates found in our marine waters. Dive in with us as we investigate the adaptations that have allowed these animals to successfully survive in the ocean for millions of years. Discover the importance of this living fossil and how their blue blood protects humans. See live juvenile horseshoe crabs. Explore the horseshoe crabs life cycle, learn about their spawning behavior, and find out where and when you can find horseshoe crabs spawning in the lowcountry! *Coast: \$10 adults, \$5 children (7-12), no children under 7.*

**April 2nd - Indigo Exploration** - 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 (the Museum will provide 1 t-shirt per person sizes child M – Adult XL). 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.

**Please call the Coastal Discovery Museum at 843-689-6767, ext. 223 to register for these programs or visit [www.coastaldiscovery.org](http://www.coastaldiscovery.org) and click on the Event Calendar.**

**April 9th - Night Nature - 8:30 PM** -Join us for a rare nighttime adventure at the Museum. Look, listen, smell, touch, and taste your way through the dark to discover the special adaptations of nocturnal creatures in the Lowcountry. *Cost: \$10 per adult, \$7 per child ages 6-12, no children under the age of 6 please. Wear sturdy walking shoes (preferably closed toed shoes).*

**April 23rd - Telling Stories Through Pictures** - Join children's book author and illustrator Rebecca Chamberlain for this hands-on workshop to learn about illustrating a standard 32-page picture book for children. Review thumbnail sketches and original artwork from *Maralee and the Turtles of the Sea* and then create your own, quick one-inch thumbnail sketches from a story idea. Discover how to develop a character and explore how to add movement, emotion, and action into illustrations. *Offered in partnership with the Pat Conroy Literary Center. Cost:\$20 per person.*

**April 30th - Archaeology of Beer** - Beer is the foundation of civilized life as we know it. Beginning 10,000 years ago, brewing led to the development of agriculture, settled life, and a myriad of other inventions. This presentation will take you from ancient Mesopotamia, China, and Egypt to the jungles of the Amazon to learn some of the science behind how beer is made and to see how it has impacted our lives in ways we likely never think about. You will view this beverage in a new light by the end of the lecture, even if beer isn't your thing. *Cost: \$10 per person*

**May 7th - Horseshoe Crabs: A Living Fossil** - With its tough, helmet-like body, and long, pointed tail, the horseshoe crab is one of the most intriguing and misunderstood marine invertebrates found in our marine waters. Dive in with us as we investigate the adaptations that have allowed these animals to successfully survive in the ocean for millions of years. Discover the importance of this living fossil and how their blue blood protects humans. See live juvenile horseshoe crabs. Explore the horseshoe crabs life cycle, learn about their spawning behavior, and find out where and when you can find horseshoe crabs spawning in the Lowcountry! *Cost: \$10 adults, \$5 children (7-12), no children under 7.*

**May 14th - Shibori & Indigo Workshop** - 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. *Cost: \$40 per person.*

**May 21st - Sweetgrass Basket Workshop** - Learn about the history Sweetgrass basket, one of the Lowcountry's best known art forms, from a local 7<sup>th</sup> generation Gullah basket maker. Then, try your hand at starting a basket of your own using locally found natural materials. *Cost: \$65 Per person.*

**May 28th - Backyard Birds** - Join our Museum Educator for an overview of common birds of the Lowcountry. This presentation is a great introduction to (or review of) permanent resident songbirds, shorebirds and all those in between. Learn how to attract a variety of birds to your yard. Use a variety of ingredients to create a delicious suet treat for your feathered friends. Take your reusable suet feeder home with a great receipt so you can make your own suet and continue your bird feeding and watching experience! All materials will be provided. *Cost: \$10 per person.*

Check our website to see what family-friendly programs are scheduled for the summer!

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