



UNEARTH A STORY

SUMMER 2026 KIDS & TEENS

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SEA-SPONGE SPLASH!

Step aside, SpongeBob - the real sponges are here! Long before the first dinosaur ever roared, sea sponges were already ancient. Join our workshop to explore real, dried sea sponges, and get crafty using sponge textures to stamp a masterpiece on a reusable drinking cup to use this summer!



HIDDEN IN STONE

Imagine a story that stays frozen for millions of years! Step into the shoes of a scientist to investigate real, ancient mollusk fossils, which left their mark in mud that turned to stone. Then squish, press, and mold your own custom fossil art using shells and clay.



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ANCIENT OCEAN GIANTS

Travel back to the Mesozoic Era, when plesiosaurs, ichthyosaurs, and other marine reptiles ruled the prehistoric deep! Explore the mysteries of this lost underwater world, and bring it back to life by crafting your own mini Jurassic aquarium featuring a creature suspended with orbeez above an ancient tide pool.



DEEP SEA FOSSIL FINDS

Dive into the ancient history of sharks, who have used their secret senses to rule the sea long before the dinosaurs! Check out a toothy shark jaw and excavate a real shark tooth fossil trapped in time. Once you've unearthed your prehistoric prize, set it in a necklace to show off your discovery!



THE SCIENCE OF PREHISTORIC POOP

Get the real "dirt" on dinos by investigating their ancient bathroom breaks! Join us and discover how coprolites (fossilized droppings) help scientists track prehistoric creatures. Check out an ancient shark coprolite and mix your own batch of sweet-scented prehistoric dung to show off. It's a gross-out good time!



SHIPWRECK SECRETS

Step into the role of a maritime archaeologist! Discover the tools scientists use to map underwater wreck sites and preserve treasures from the crushing pressure of the sea. Build your own haunting shipwreck model with aged details and wood to capture the spirit of a lost voyage!



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PREHISTORIC PRINTS

Think fossils are just bones? Think again! Decode trace fossils, the ultimate motion-capture moments from the prehistoric world. Check out trilobite fossils and other trace fossils from ancient seabeds. After decoding our collection, design and carve your own block-print stamp to tag your gear, and make your mark on a custom notebook.



trilobite

FELTED FOSSILS

Check out real whale bones from the museum's collection and uncover how the titans of the deep began as wolf-size mammals with hooves! Use needle-felting techniques to "fossilize" a custom ancient whale design onto a canvas zip pouch, blending paleontology and art. *This program extends to 90 minutes to allow time for craft completion.*



whale flipper bones

MORE TEEN/TWEEN PROGRAMMING

Check out *Escape the Box*, *Crack the Colonial Code*, *Liberty at Sea*, and four other programs!

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Our museum's programs travel all over Long Island. We would love to come visit you!

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Participants: Up to 25. **Length:** 1 hour, unless otherwise noted | 45 Min for Ages 3-5
Cost: \$325; \$300 for add'l same program on same day. Mileage charge for 15+ miles.

Check out our adult offerings, too!

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