Programs and Events
Grave Creek Mound Archaeological Complex
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Spring 2018
All exhibits and programs are open to the public free of charge

Exhibits

Pendulum Painting
*Wednesday, April 18 through Saturday, May 12*
Students at Moundsville Middle School learned about the forces of motion and gravity using a new painting technique. Instead of using a brush, they attached a rope to the ceiling of their classroom and mounted a cup filled with acrylic paint at its end. By using this rope as a pendulum, students studied and discussed how the rope moved due to the force of gravity. This method demonstrates the physics of the pendulum, while the images produced show its movements.

Works by the following students will be exhibited: Elise Martinez-Cunningham, Ethan Neely, Kobe Yocum, Reese Bortle, Austin Heath, Jack Thomas, Samara Walker, Travis Huff, Carl Cochran, Hayden Shields, Kaden Shriner, Kelsey Kidd, Tony Roth, Isaac Trayon, Dean Gibson, & Alex Francis

Featured Artists of the Month
*April – Donna Hall*
*May – to be determined*
*June – Ann Hedly with Hilda Steen*

Programs

Art with Gravity
*Saturday, April 21, noon – 2:00 pm*
Moundsville Middle School art teacher Joy VanScyoc demonstrates the technique used to create the artwork featured in the Pendulum Painting exhibit.

Interpretive Garden Planting
*Saturday, May 19 and Saturday, June 2, noon – 4:00 pm*
Join us in the annual planting of the museum’s Interpretive Garden. We will plant corn, beans, squash, and several other plants grown by prehistoric Native Americans in this area. Try digging using a replica of a prehistoric garden hoe and take home seeds to plant in your own garden. Indoor activities are also planned in case of rain.

West Virginia Day – Post Cards from the Mountain State
*Wednesday, June 20, 2:00 to 4:00 pm*
Take home a vintage post card, get a brand-new post card made featuring your family or group, and sign a giant birthday card!

Find information on the latest programs, exhibits, and events, “Artifact of the Week”, and more at

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2018 Archaeological Lecture and Film Series

Thursday, April 26, 7:00 pm
Lecture - Baltimore and Ohio Railroad River Crossings: A Tale of Three Bridges
By Daniel Frizzi, Great Stone Viaduct Historical Education Society
Covers three railroad bridges that connected West Virginia’s Northern Panhandle with Ohio and places out west. These historic river crossings connected Bellaire, OH, with Benwood, WV, Martins Ferry, OH, with Wheeling, WV, and Steubenville, OH with Weirton, WV. Printed copies of this presentation and other books by the presenter will be for sale.

Thursday, May 31, 7:00 pm
Lecture - East Liverpool Potters Southbound to West Virginia
By Susan Weaver, Director, The Museum of Ceramics, East Liverpool, OH
As East Liverpool ran out of riverfront land, enterprising potters crossed the Ohio to the “Southside” to expand or start potteries. Harker Pottery, Taylor, Smith & Taylor, Edwin M. Knowles, and Homer Laughlin China Company all moved south into what would become the towns of Chester and Newell.

Second Saturday Films

Saturday, April 14, 1:00 and 3:00 pm
“We Shall Remain: Geronimo” (75 min)
Near the end of the nineteenth century, desperate times made Geronimo a fighter and leader of his Apache band. To many, he was and remains the embodiment of proud resistance, leading the last Native American force against the United States government. Part of the PBS American Experience series.

Saturday, May 12, 1:00 and 3:00 pm
“We Shall Remain: Wounded Knee” (75 min)
In 1973, Native American activists engaged in a standoff with the United States government. The siege of Wounded Knee lasted 71 days and brought national attention to the desperate conditions on the reservations. It also united people across tribes, creating a shared identity and a new path to the future. Part of the PBS American Experience series.

Saturday, June 9, 1:00 and 3:00 pm
“John Brown’s Holy War” (90 min)
John Brown was seen as a farmer, warrior, family man, avenger, and inspiration to the Civil Rights movement. From witnessing brutality against a slave boy as a child to his execution after raiding the federal armory at Harper’s Ferry, this film takes a closer look at this complex man.

At the Discovery Table
Free activities for the whole family available during regular museum hours

April
Sunflower Seed Planting
Plant sunflower seeds from the museum’s Interpretive Garden in yogurt cups to take home.

May (Historic Preservation Month)
Make an Historic Plaque for Your Room
Historic markers, such as the one in front of the Delf Norona Museum, commemorate important people, places, and events and provide the public the opportunity to learn about the history of these places. What would you write on a plaque to record important information about you and where you live? Create a historic plaque of your own using cardstock and other materials provided.

June
Plant Native Grass
Find out more about native and invasive plants in West Virginia and plant native grass to grow at home.