

Inside the L.C. Bates Museum

July Summer Camps Explore History and Nature

Musk Ox Mount Added to the Museum Exhibits

Musk Ox Mount at L. C. Bates Museum

Recently the L.C. Bates Museum welcomed an exciting new animal mount to our mammal collection, a Musk Ox. Come visit the L. C. Bates Museum to see this fabulous donation to the collection. Our musk ox is a male originating from Alaska, where musk oxen were hunted to extinction during the nineteenth century but reintroduced in the twentieth century through the transplantation of musk oxen from Greenland.

The Musk Ox was donated by Alana Albee and Robert Headley. This amazing animal from the north will provide wonderful teaching opportunities. Students will be able to see an animal adapted to the colder northern climate. Already it is engaging museum visitors. Musk oxen are truly amazing, and we hope you stop by the museum to see it or yourself!



Professor Veronique Plesch and her Summer Colby Intern

Professor Plesch and her Colby student intern Lucy Preston are beginning work on developing and editing the a book about the L.C. Bates Museum history. Many people associated with the museum or its collections are contributing written pieces or images for the project. It is wonderful to read what people are reporting about the museum history and its diverse collections.

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Alana Albee and Robert Headley with the Musk Ox They Donated

School Classes Visiting

The museum is pleased to receive thank you notes for teachers and students after their visits to the museum. Here are a few quotes from students' notes. "I liked visiting the pond and finding bugs." "The museum is all FUN. I want to bring my parents to see the birds." "I liked making the moose diorama." "I liked seeing so many owls and the tuna." "I want to make a museum too." and "Wow, Wow, Wow!"



Newsletter Nature Fact



Maine State Fish: Landlocked Salmon

The Landlocked Salmon, (*Salmo salar Sebago*) a subspecies of the Atlantic salmon, live in the lakes of the northern United States without ever descending to sea. Landlocked salmon attain a maximum weight of about 35 lbs. The two most important landlocked populations of the Atlantic salmon are the Sebago salmon, commonly found in New Hampshire, Maine, and New Brunswick, and the ouananiche, of Lac Saint-Jean, Canada. The pictured historic Landlocked Salmon mount was prepared by Fred Park of Bangor, Maine around 1940.

GWH History



G. W. Hinckley at Murray Tablets

On the GWH Trails you will find stone monuments to people who were part of the early outdoor movement. This monument is for Adirondack Murray who wrote the book *Camping in the Adirondacks*.

Museum News

The museum is pleased to share collections by taking natural science programs to summer library hours and afterschool programs.

On Wednesday summer afternoons 1 PM art programs will focus on drawing and painting the collections.

The museum has been donated archival documents including an early 1930's scrapbook created by Harriet Hinckley,

Museum Volunteers

Come join the museum team and help provide educational activities and events for visitors from our community.



The Museum's Helpful Summer Intern

Colby Arts and Humanities Intern Sophie Shenae Gould Dulabaum is working to support all aspects of the museum from helping with tours to making exhibit labels. Her knowledge of natural science has helped her develop child centered learning materials for young visitors. The museum thanks Colby Arts and Humanities for providing this internship.

Museum Summer Camps

Come Explore Our Natural World With Nets in Hand

Dig Into the Past -History Camp

July 5-7th

Eco Exploration!

July 10-14

EARTH And Space NASA Camp

July 17-21st

Please call or email the museum for more information about camps or to register your child for a memorable museum experience.

June Conservation Workshop

Conservator Ron Harvey leading an NEH sponsored workshop on collections storage for local museum staff and museum volunteers and interns. Harvey provided information on how to best plan and complete the storage of historic objects,



Join the fun! Become an L.C. Bates Museum member!

Member Benefits

- Announcements and invitations to events and exhibit openings
- Museum Newsletter
- Free admission to the museum
- 10% discount at the museum gift shop!

Call or Email the museum for information for Membership Information

Interested in making a contribution to the museum? Contact us at lcbbates@gwh.org or 207-238-4250 if would like to information about making a donation. Your donations help make the museum possible!

July Museum Activities For Families and Children

Saturday, July 1 10 AM

Old Time Toys Program

Turn Back the Clock! Explore Old Time Toys and Games Come roll a hoop, play a 300 year old game, Graces, do a ring toss, write on a slate board and more as well as making a craft to take home.

Wednesday Summer Art Afternoons Starting July 5 1 PM

Every Wednesday at 1 PM in summer come enjoy an afternoon of art! The diverse art activities participants can enjoy include printmaking, watercolors, acrylics, collage, and pastels. Each program is inspired by the museum collections and will be guided by a museum staff member.

Saturday, July 8, 10 AM

Rocks Really Rock

Explore the museum's rock and mineral collections! Examine and learn about some of the minerals common in Maine, look at special minerals under a black light and see what happens, break a geode, write with a rock, and start a small rock collection.

Saturday, July 15, 10 AM

Exploring Fossils

Join us to learn about Fascinating Fossils! We will talk about how fossils form, the scale of geological time, and what we can learn about the prehistoric world from the fossil record! Plus, everyone will learn about the Maine State Fossil—Pericas quadrifaria, pictured. Make a fossil craft to take home.

Saturday, July 22, 10 AM

NASA-NISE Earth/Space Activities

NISE kits guide learning about our natural world. Using Earth and Space Kits you will make craters, build a satellite, create a cloud in a bottle, use solar beads, learn about solar eclipses, explore moon quakes, make sun dial and more.

Saturday, July 29, 10 AM

Bills and Beaks Tell What They Eat

Put on your wildlife biologist cap, and hone your observational skills, as we follow the clues to find various bird bills and beaks to learn about their lifestyles and behavior. Why do humming-birds have long, skinny beaks, while the Red Crossbill has a unique, asymmetrical beak? Plus, make a bird craft to take home!

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Eco Exploration! July 10-14, Ages 11-13, 9 AM to noon

..EARTH And Space NASA Camp July 17-21, Ages 7-12, 9 am -noon

Summer Hours
May to November Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 10 AM to 4:30 PM
Or by appointment
Saturday Morning Programs at 10 AM

Adults \$4.00 Youth Under 18 \$1.00
Group Rates

Call or email the museum to set up a group or school program.

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