

# Inside the L.C. Bates Museum

## Time to Plan and Schedule School Fieldtrips

### Fall Festival September 30 from 11 to 3

**FALL FESTIVAL**  
**GOOD WILL-HINCKLEY**  
 Educating Youth. Changing Lives.  
 16 Prescott Drive, Hinckley, Maine  
**Saturday Sept. 30**  
 11am - 3pm  
**FREE ADMISSION**  
 Donations welcome.

Join us for fun filled activities for all ages, great food, and music!

**ACTIVITIES FOR ALL:**  
 • Climbing Wall  
 • Nuke Obstacle Course  
 • L.C. Bates Museum FREE  
 • Face Painting  
 • Outdoor Games  
 • Petting Zoo  
 • Pumpkin Painting  
 • Reptile Tent  
 • Passport Adventure  
 and so much more!

**FOOD TRUCKS:**  
 • I'd Wrap That  
 • Texas Backyard BBQ  
 and:  
 • Mini Melts Ice Cream

Silent auction • Craft/Art Fair • Music

### September 2023

#### In Balance / Imbalance



Visitors are enjoying the artists' engaging work in the In balance / Imbalance exhibit that runs to October 15. Come for a fall museum visit and view the amazing and varied art work by Maine artists that are included in the 2023 exhibition.

#### Newsletter Nature Fact



#### Woolly Mammoth Tusk

This fossil is part of the tusk of a **woolly mammoth (*Mammuthus primigenius*)**. The mammoth is an extinct species of mammoth that lived during the Pleistocene until its extinction in the Holocene epoch. It was one of the last in a line of mammoth species.

#### GWH History



The historic Buckminster building, that was located behind the museum as it looked in 1911. It was used for housing for teachers and a laundry. It is no longer standing.

As part of the Good Will – Hinckley Fall Festival the Museum is open for free for visitors on September 30. The museum will also be offering NISE Voyage Through the Solar System Kit Activities. Minerals, jewelry and interesting objects from the museum gift shop will be for sale at the Festival as well as at the museum.



#### Conservation Workshop Planned for October 16

On Monday, October 16, 2023 from 9:30 to 2 PM conservator Ron Harvey will present a free workshop on object conservation. The conservator will cover preservation techniques and be available to answer participants conservation questions. The workshop is made possible by support from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Please call or email the museum to register for this preservation workshop.

#### Museum Notes

The museum is scheduling school and group fieldtrips and looking forward to young visitors touring the museum. Call or email the museum to book a program or tour for your group or class.

Investigate a new Crow or Squirrel Wonder Box when you visit the museum. The boxes include hands-on pelts, skulls, feathers, and hands-on activities for young scientists to explore.



Exploring at the L.C. Bates is fun for all. Join a program or visit an exhibit to learn about our local environment.

#### Preservation Funding

A National Endowment for the Humanities Preservation Grant for Smaller Institutions will provide funding for the museum collections preservation. It will present a conservation workshop in spring 2024 and provide much needed safe storage materials for historic Good Will-Hinckley archival documents and objects. The grant will include funds for needed shelving and acid free boxes similar to those pictured below. Helpful volunteers will work to safely store the collections.



For 80 years, since he was a 9 year old boy at Good Will, John Willey has visited and enjoyed L. C. Bates Museum programs and exhibits.

#### Museum Volunteers

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

#### Newly Paved Walkway with Drain

The rear walk and drainage is now upgraded and repaved thanks to a kind and thoughtful donor. Water coming off the roof now goes into a drain and pipes that take it away from the museum building. It is wonderful to have a clear dry pathway into the museum.



**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 [lcabates@gwh.org](mailto:lcabates@gwh.org) or 207-238-4250 if you would like to information about making a donation. Your donations help make the museum possible!

### September 2023 Events and Programs

#### Saturday, September 2 nd, 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 we find in various birds' beaks to learn about their lifestyles and behavior. Why do hummingbirds have long, skinny beaks, while the Red Crossbill has a unique, asymmetrical beak? Plus, make a bird craft to take home!

#### Saturday, September 9th, 10 AM Endangered Animals Tour

In this guided tour, we will highlight some of the endangered, threatened and an extinct species found in the museum's collection. We also, happily, get to talk about some species that have made remarkable recoveries thanks to recent conservation efforts!

#### Saturday, September 16th, 10 AM NISE Earth and Space Activities

Explore Earth and Space activity kits and materials developed and donated to many museums including the L. C. Bates by NISE. Try making clouds, learn about craters, moon quakes, light pollution and more. And, Send up a stomp rocket.

#### Saturday, September 23rd, 10 AM Old Time Toys

Try toys and games from the early 1900's. Make and spin a top toy, look through a stereopticon, roll a hoop, play Graces, draw with a slate pencil on a slate board and more. Come see what were popular activities with children 100 years ago.

### Young Visitors Can Go On A Scavenger Hunt As they Visit the Museum

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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