

# Inside the L.C. Bates Museum

Pick Up a Fall Guide to the GWH Trails at the Museum

Saturday Morning Programs Share Science

October 2023

In Balance / Imbalance until 10/15



### Continued Work On Preserving Windows

The large windows on the south side of the historic L. C. Bates Museum building are now in the process of being preserved. With needed support, the 1903 Romanesque Revival building is retaining its original architectural features.



Do visit to see the wonderful art exhibit that brings new meaning to understanding balance. Engage in the artists work to view their different artistic interpretations of the exhibition theme.

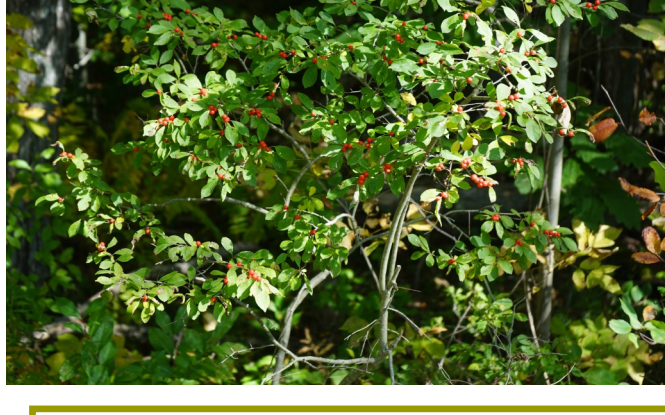
### Museum Notes

The museum will open on the holiday October 9 and offering learning activities for children and families.

With volunteer help, newly donated specimens of mule deer, elk, and more have been placed on exhibit. Visitors can now view and compare all members of the North American deer family.

The museum is excited to have donated funding to replace older glass with safety glass in the lower floor south gallery. This project is part of the planned updates to the gallery being completed by helpful volunteers.

### Newsletter Nature Fact



### Winterberry, Along the GWH Trail

Ilex verticillata, the winterberry, is a species of holly native to eastern North America in the United States and southeast Canada. The leaves of Common winterberry are not shaped with sharp teeth like other hollies and are not evergreen. The inconspicuous flowers, however, are followed by dense clusters of bright red berries that remain on the branches throughout winter.

### Exploring the Cabinet of Curiosity

The museum's varied collections provide many objects of interest for visitors. Popular objects on exhibit include the parrots, giant clam, musk ox, tuna and fossil trilobites. Come tour the museum and find collections that interest you.

### GWH History



### Colby Student Leading NISE Earth and Space Activities

### Bancroft Foote Cottage

Early postcard of Bancroft Foote Cottage for boys on Page Terrace at Good Will.



"Please Touch" learning brings smiles to young visitors. Sharing natural science activities is the mission and goal of the L. C. Bates museum.

### Colby Chemistry Club Volunteers

Chemistry Club students helped the museum provide activities for the GWH Fall Festival. They are now helping make hundreds of natural science learning kits and activities that will be shared with elementary school classrooms and visitors.

### Museum Volunteers

Come join the museum team and help provide educational activities and events for visitors from our community. Or, help pickup along the trails or in the museum.

### Register Now for A Conservation Workshop

On Monday, October 16, 2023 from 9:30 to 2 PM conservator Ron Harvey will present a free workshop on object conservation. Pre-registration for the workshop is required for planning. Please call or email the museum to register.



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

### October 2023 Events and Programs

#### Saturday, October 7th - 10 AM -Bills and Beaks Tell What We Eat

Come tour and explore the birds and learn how their different bills and beaks help them catch food, from bugs to frogs. Make a bird bill craft to take home.

#### Monday, October 9 - All Day- Capturing Museum Animals and Birds on Paper

With paper and pencils or watercolors in hand explore and draw or paint your favorite animals in the museum. Art materials will be ready for you and provided by the museum.

#### Saturday, October 14 - 10 AM- Fossil Stories

Come tour the exhibited fossils and some special ones from the storage collections. See the Maine state fossil, trilobites, sharks teeth, coral, mammoth teeth and more. Make a mold of a fossil.

#### Saturday October 21 - 10 AM-NISE Earth and Space Activities

NISE kits guide learning about our natural world. Using Earth and Space Kits you will make craters, create a cloud in a bottle, use solar beads, learn about solar eclipses, send up a stomp rocket, make a sun dial and more. One kit activity will examine solar eclipses to prepare youth for the one on April 8, 2023.

#### Saturday, October 28 - 10 AM -Animal Skulls: from Moose to Bats

From the very large Moose skull to the tiny skull of the bats in Maine, see the amazing variety of skulls that are in the collections and discuss what you can discover from skulls! Learn how to identify which animals are carnivores, herbivores or omnivores.

### 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.

### L. C. Bates Museum

#### At Good Will-Hinckley

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