

Inside the L.C. Bates Museum

Museum Roof Vents Preserved!

Saturday Morning Programs Explore Nature

November 2023



Safety Glass Installed in Cases

In the mammal and lower floor galleries older glass has been replaced with new safety glass. American Glass Co has completed this work that included taking off and reinstalling old moldings that held the large pieces of glass in place.



Museum Vents are Preserved

It took a lift to raise masonry workers up to the highest point on the museum. The vents on the museum building that was originally a manual training school and laundry took steam and humid air out of the building through six chimney like vents. Masonry work on these vents with their slate tops has restored and strengthened their structure. A much appreciated donation made this needed work possible.

Museum Notes

The museum is a member of the national Museums For All program that provides free admission to low income visitors. This program is bringing many visitors new to museums to visit.

The winter art exhibit will include work from the museum's permanent collection. It will include Charles Hubbard paintings and prints, Bernard Langlais work, a Maggie Fosset print, Rosamond Purcell photographs taken in the museum, and several early paintings.

Thanks to a donation, Larson Masonry is continuing to point and repair the museum's interior lower floor walls and chimney base.



Newsletter Nature Fact



Bird Conservation Continues

Institute of Museum and Library Services is supporting the continued work by conservator Ron Harvey on historic bird specimens in the collection. The bird mounts are cleaned and repaired and placed on safe stands. This work will support the bird mounts value for research and exhibition in the museum. Interns have been given the opportunity to support the conservation work and learn about the care of specimens and museum behind the scenes work.



Collared Anteater, *Tamandua tetradactyla*

This anteater is found in South America and the island of Trinidad and the museum mammal gallery. It is a solitary animal found in many habitats, from mature forests to arid savannas. It feeds on ants, termites and bees. Its very strong foreclaws can be used to break insect nests or to defend itself.

Family on a Scavenger Hunt

Young visitors enjoy and learn from completing nature scavenger hunts in the museum. Many like the hunts so much that they do several different hunts. The most popular hunt now is the Birds in Winter Hunt. Come visit the museum and explore the exhibits with a mammal or bird hunt in hand.

GWH History



Oxen and Horses Were Import at GWH

Pictured are the Good Will farmer and a Good Will boy working with oxen to haul a sled of manure out to spread on the fields. Oxen and horses were used for travel, logging, farm work and ice cutting at GWH.



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.

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 lbates@gwh.org or 207-238-4250 if you would like to information about making a donation. Your donations help make the museum possible!

November 2023 Events and Programs

Saturday, November 4, 10 AM—Solar Bead and Cloud Experiments

Use solar beads to learn about the light from the sun and make a cloud to see how it effects sunlight. Do NISE Earth and Space experiments to discover the effects of a vacuum and how shadows are formed.

Saturday, November 4, 1 - 2 pm - Old Time Toys

Take a trip through history and explore some of the popular games kids played a hundred years ago! Roll a hoop, play a proper Victorian game called Graces, try a ring toss, write on a slate board and more, as well as making a craft to take home.

Saturday, November 11th, 10 AM - Capturing A Bird On Paper

Join us to tour the bird gallery to look at bird adaptations and then find a bird or two you would like to draw. Make a colorful watercolor or drawing to take home.

Saturday, November 18, 10 AM - Winter Birds in Maine

When winter comes to Maine, many birds migrate south but some stay and tough it out! We will discuss some of these hardy birds, and the special adaptations and behaviors they use to survive until spring returns.

Friday, November 24, 1 - 2pm - A Guided Tour of the Bird Dioramas

Take a guided tour of the museum's Maine bird dioramas painted by Charles Hubbard. Learn to identify the birds in the dioramas and where they are found. See how Hubbard's background paintings in the dioramas show us the birds common habitats. Make a small bird diorama.

Saturday, November 25, 1 - 2pm - Wabanaki Baskets

Join us for a fun and educational tour of the museum's Wabanaki basket collection, including fine examples of Penobscot and Passamaquoddy craftsmanship. Learn more about some of the natural materials and techniques for making the baskets.

Hours

May to November Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 10 AM to 4:00 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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