



Press Release

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February Events at A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village

SALEM, OR—A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village, a hands-on children's museum in downtown Salem's Riverfront Park, features three historic houses brimming with interactive exhibits in the sciences, arts and humanities. The museum's Outdoor Discovery Center offers 20,000 square feet of fun with three slides, the world's largest Erector Set tower and maze and picnic areas. Open 361 days a year: Monday – Saturday, 10 a.m. – 5 pm., Sunday, noon – 5 p.m. Admission: \$5.50 (Ages 3-59); \$4.00 (Ages 60+); \$2.50 (Public assistance, ages 1-2); FREE for members. Website: www.acgilbert.org. Call: 503-371-3631 / 1-800-208-9514.

DROP-IN PROGRAMS & SPECIAL EVENTS

Discover the Wonder

February 6, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Tickets are available now for Discover the Wonder, an evening in support of A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village. In the Great Room of Willamette Valley Vineyards, guests will enjoy fabulous cuisine by Willaby's Catering & Event Design, live music by John Fletcher and a silent auction that benefits the children's museum. Tickets: \$50 per person. To purchase, call A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village at 503-371-3631.

Mommy & Me Valentine Tea

February 13, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Come dressed in your finest for the Mommy & Me Valentine Tea at A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village. Moms, dads, grandparents, and others are invited to bring their little sweetheart for an elegant event with a Valentine-themed craft. Free with paid admission. A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village, 116 Marion St NE, Salem, OR 97301. Info: 503-371-3631 or info@acgilbert.org.

A.C. Gilbert's Birthday & Oregon Statehood Day

February 14, 1 – 4 p.m.

A.C. Gilbert, Salem's famous inventor, would have turned 125 this year! The children's museum honors its namesake with activities and crafts along with a celebration of Oregon's statehood day. Free with paid admission. A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village, 116 Marion St NE, Salem, OR 97301. Info: 503-371-3631 or info@acgilbert.org.

Sizzlin' Science Day

February 16, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village presents Sizzlin' Science Day, an exploration of science through the ages to delight young and old alike. The children's museum sizzles with inventions and demonstrations by local science organizations and features a Science Showcase where young scientists can show off their smarts (advance registration required). Visitors can make rockets or

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design an egg-cradling contraption to withstand a drop of over 30 feet. Free with paid admission. A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village, 116 Marion St NE, Salem, OR 97301. Info: 503-371-3631 or info@acgilbert.org.

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Little Picassos Drop-in Art Studio

Thursdays, 2/5 – 2/19, 11 – 11:45 a.m.

This drop-in art studio pairs art projects with stories and music to cultivate creativity in young artists. Emphasizing eye-hand coordination and concentration, this weekly workshop allows parents and children to explore colors, shapes, patterns, and textures through art. \$3 materials fee in addition to the cost of museum admission for parent and child. No pre-registration required. Ages 2 – 5. A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village, 116 Marion St. NE, Salem, OR 97301. Info: 503-371-3631 or www.acgilbert.org.

A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village is a private nonprofit children's museum located in downtown Salem's Riverfront Park. Founded in 1989, A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village provides innovative and stimulating educational experiences that spark children's natural curiosity. The Village's mission is to provoke curiosity, inspire awe, awaken interest, foster enjoyment, encourage learning, and enable understanding in all youth.

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