



Press Release

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May 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: \$5.75 (Ages 3-59); \$4.25 (Ages 60+); \$2.75 (Public assistance, ages 1-2); FREE for members. Website: www.acgilbert.org. Call: 503-371-3631 / 1-800-208-9514.

Note: Spring is a very busy time for field trips. The museum has scheduled low-field trip mornings on May 18 & 19, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Please call the museum at 503-371-3631 for the best times to visit with your family or group.

DROP-IN PROGRAMS & SPECIAL EVENTS

Little Green Thumbs Drop-in Activity

May 8, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Children are invited to A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village to plant a seed in the museum's garden plot, create garden art, make a Ladybug snack and more! The children's museum will provide kid-friendly tools for little gardeners to tend their plants all summer long. A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village, 116 Marion St NE, Salem, OR 97301. Info: 503-371-3631 or info@acgilbert.org.

Family Math Discovery Night

May 8, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village stays open late for a special night where parents and kids learn together how fun math can be. Over 25 activities in both Spanish and English will be presented in a single night. Member price: \$5 per child / \$15 per family max. Nonmember price: \$7 per child / \$20 family max. Reserve your family's spot by calling 503-371-3631. There is no charge for adults, but they must be present for the Discovery Night. Fee includes access to all Discovery Night activities and a half-hour discovery time in the museum. A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village, 116 Marion St NE, Salem, OR 97301. Info: 503-371-3631 or info@acgilbert.org.

Free Day for Moms

May 10, 12 – 5 p.m.

A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village knows how hard moms work. The children's museum invites all mothers to enjoy a day of fun for free! Moms get in free with a paid child admission. A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village, 116 Marion St NE, Salem, OR 97301. Info: 503-371-3631 or info@acgilbert.org.

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Foster Family Free Day

May 17, 12 – 5 p.m.

All members of foster families receive free admission to A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village on May 17 in honor of National Foster Care Month. A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village, 116 Marion St NE, Salem, OR 97301. Info: 503-371-3631 or info@acgilbert.org.

Preschool Drop-in Activities at the Children's Museum

May 18, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. and May 21, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village offers free drop-in activities for children five and under that explore "Life on the Farm" on May 18, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. and "Pioneer Times" on May 21, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.. Art projects and activities provide a fun and educational experience for preschoolers. Free with museum admission. A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village, 116 Marion St NE, Salem, OR 97301. Info: 503-371-3631 or info@acgilbert.org.

14th Annual Garden Tour & Plant Sale

May 30 – 31, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

This self-guided tour features seven delightful gardens in the McKinley and Candalaria neighborhoods. All proceeds benefit A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village. Tickets are available at A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village and all Salem/Keizer Roth's locations. The plant sale is held at Mission Mill Museum (1313 Mill St. SE) and is open to all. Adults: \$15. Ages 12 and under: \$5. A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village, 116 Marion St NE, Salem, OR 97301. Info: 503-371-3631 or info@acgilbert.org.

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Chemistry Shmemistry

Friday, May 1, 1 – 2:30 p.m. –OR– 3:30 – 5 p.m.

The children's museum presents a smorgasbord of activities that allow students to explore states of matter, sublimation, chemical reactions, slime and more. Ages 6 – 12. \$7.50 member / \$10 nonmember. A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village, 116 Marion St NE, Salem, OR 97301. Info: 503-371-3631 or info@acgilbert.org.

Face On/Face Off Mask-Making

Tuesday, May 12, 1:00-2:30 –OR– 3:30 – 5 p.m.

This one-day workshops in mask-making allows kids to put their best face forward with several beautiful projects, including a durable glazed clay mask. Ages 6 – 12. \$10 member / \$13 nonmember. A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village, 116 Marion St NE, Salem, OR 97301. Info: 503-371-3631 or info@acgilbert.org.

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