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Naper Settlement May 2022 Events and Programs

NAPERVILLE, IL — Naper Settlement is pleased to present the following events and programs during May 2022. Beginning in May, the museum switches to its Summer Admission & Hours and will be open Tuesday-Saturday from 10 AM-4 PM and Sunday from 1-4 PM with general museum admission \$12 for adults (13+), \$10 for seniors (62+), and \$8 for youth (4-12). Naperville residents with proof of residency, children under 4, and members receive complimentary admission. For more information about a specific event or program or to purchase museum admission tickets, please visit our website at www.NaperSettlement.org.

Playscape Readers:

Dinosaurs

Wednesday, May 4 • 1 PM

Included in general admission

Playscape Readers is a story time for young children that follows seasonal themes with a focus on historical themes and pre-reading skills. May's theme is dinosaurs.

West Side Downtown Walking Tour

Thursday, May 5 • 5:30-6:30 PM

\$15/person | [Register](#)

Listen to stories from Naperville's founding to the generosity of Caroline Martin Mitchell on a walking tour of the west side of downtown Naperville. The tour lasts approximately 60 minutes and covers about two miles. Pre-registration is required.

WWII Veterans Cemetery Walking Tour

Saturday, May 7 • 2-3 PM

\$15/person | [Register](#)

In commemoration of V-E Day, Naper Settlement's Learning Experiences Team will lead a cemetery walking tour of World War II veteran grave sites at Saints Peter and Paul Cemetery, located at 911 E. North Ave. in Naperville. Pre-registration is required.

Downtown Naperville Architecture Walking Tour

Thursday, May 12 • 5:30-6:30 PM

\$15/person | [Register](#)

Learn about the important and interesting architecture from the 1800s to today that makes downtown Naperville a beautiful place to live, work, and play. The tour lasts approximately 60 minutes and covers about two miles. Pre-registration is required.

History Speaks:

Oh Freedom! Songs of the Civil Rights Movement

Sunday, May 15 • 4-5 PM

\$10/person | [Register](#)

The civil rights movement has been described as one of the greatest singing movements that this country has experienced. Music played a vital role in that historic struggle both as an inspirational rallying point and to spread the message of equality and justice. From the Freedom Riders to the jails of Montgomery, Alabama and Parchment Prison, all the way to Washington DC, both old and new songs of the era spoke of the yearning for equal rights as well as the struggle and the determination to win freedom. In a show created to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the civil rights movement, award-winning folksinger Chris Vallillo performs pivotal songs from the music that inspired and sustained this landmark movement. Intermixed with the music, Vallillo presents first-hand accounts of the historic struggle and discusses the impact of music on our nation's most important social cause.

Third Thursday Thinkers:

Treasure

Thursday, May 19 • 1 PM

Included in general admission

Enjoy a special activity while learning about treasure hidden in the earth. Does your child have a rock collection? Your child is welcome to bring their collection to show everyone!

Town and Gown Walking Tour

Thursday, May 19 • 5:30-6:30 PM

\$15/person | [Register](#)

Explore the east side of downtown Naperville and learn about the ways the community developed along with North Central College. The tour lasts approximately 60 minutes and covers about two miles. Pre-registration is required.

Pinecraig Games

Sunday, May 22 • 12-5 PM

\$12/adult (13+), \$10/senior (62+), \$8/youth (4-12). Members and under 4: complimentary | [Register](#)

Celebrate the Scottish heritage of one of Naperville's philanthropists, Caroline Martin Mitchell, at Pinecraig Games. Learn about the Martin family, Pinecraig Mansion, and Carrie's Gift to the city of Naperville. Enjoy Scottish dancing, a shortbread baking contest, miniature golf, crafts, the museum's historic houses, a pinewood derby, and more! Attendees can get involved by participating in the pinewood derby or shortbread baking contest. Pinewood derby participants need to complete a separate registration form available online with their ticket in order to enter. Entries for the shortbread baking contest and pinewood derby are to be made at home prior to the event. For more information about the pinewood derby or shortbread baking contest, email maronicj@naperville.il.us.

West Side Downtown Walking Tour

Thursday, May 26 • 5:30-6:30 PM

\$15/person | [Register](#)

Listen to stories from Naperville's founding to the generosity of Caroline Martin Mitchell on a walking tour of the west side of downtown Naperville. The tour lasts approximately 60 minutes and covers about two miles. Pre-registration is required.

4th Thursday Pop-Up:

Paint by Numbers (Beer)

Thursday, May 26 • 7-9 PM

\$20/adult (must be 21+) / [Register](#)

Relive your childhood with Paint by Numbers, only this time enjoy a drink as you fill in the canvas. Learn about the history of Paint by Numbers, get inspired by vintage examples, and take home your own painting. You must be at least 21 years of age to participate. A valid ID is required at event entry. Pre-registration is required.

About Naper Settlement

Naper Settlement is a nationally accredited, award-winning outdoor living history museum set on 13 magnificent acres in the heart of Naperville. Located 30 miles from Chicago, the museum is home to thirty-one historical structures dating back as early as the 1830s. Featuring exhibits, special events, educational programming and more, Naper Settlement is where history comes alive and the community comes to connect. For more information, visit www.napersettlement.org or call (630) 420-6010.