

A child with long blonde hair is seen from behind, sitting at a table and playing with a large pile of colorful LEGO bricks. In the background, a large screen displays a city skyline at night, with several tall buildings illuminated. The child is wearing a green shirt. The scene is dimly lit, with the primary light sources being the screen and the ambient light from the LEGO display.

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with LEGO® Bricks

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SUMMER 2023

THE DURHAM MUSEUM

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\$8: Children (3-12)
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Letter from the Executive Director

"You're not just designing a building. You're designing a piece of the city."

This quote by architect Moshe Safdie is included in our upcoming traveling exhibition *Towers of Tomorrow with LEGO® Bricks*. When we visited this exhibit prior to bringing it to Omaha, I was struck by the power of those words. I have spent the past 19 years walking the halls of Union Station and while caring for this art deco masterpiece is a point of pride for our team, there is, at times, a feeling of "standing too close to our painting." The cracks, chipped paint and rusted steel require constant focus and resources. This spring, restoration and preservation specialists from Evergreene Architectural Arts have gone to new heights to care for the museum's decorative ceilings in the Suzanne and Walter Scott Great Hall. Rising nearly 60 feet, the floor-to-ceiling scaffolding took on a "towers of tomorrow" look of its own. This work came on the heels of a comprehensive exterior restoration project led by masonry experts from McGill Restoration. Not only did this team repair cracks and spalling in the terra cotta skin, but they also engineered a plan to remove rows and rows of terra cotta bricks to replace the corroded angle irons behind them. It took creativity, ingenuity, patience and skill. Union Station is much more than a beautifully designed building. It is a signature part of our community. One that represents strength, vision and hard work.

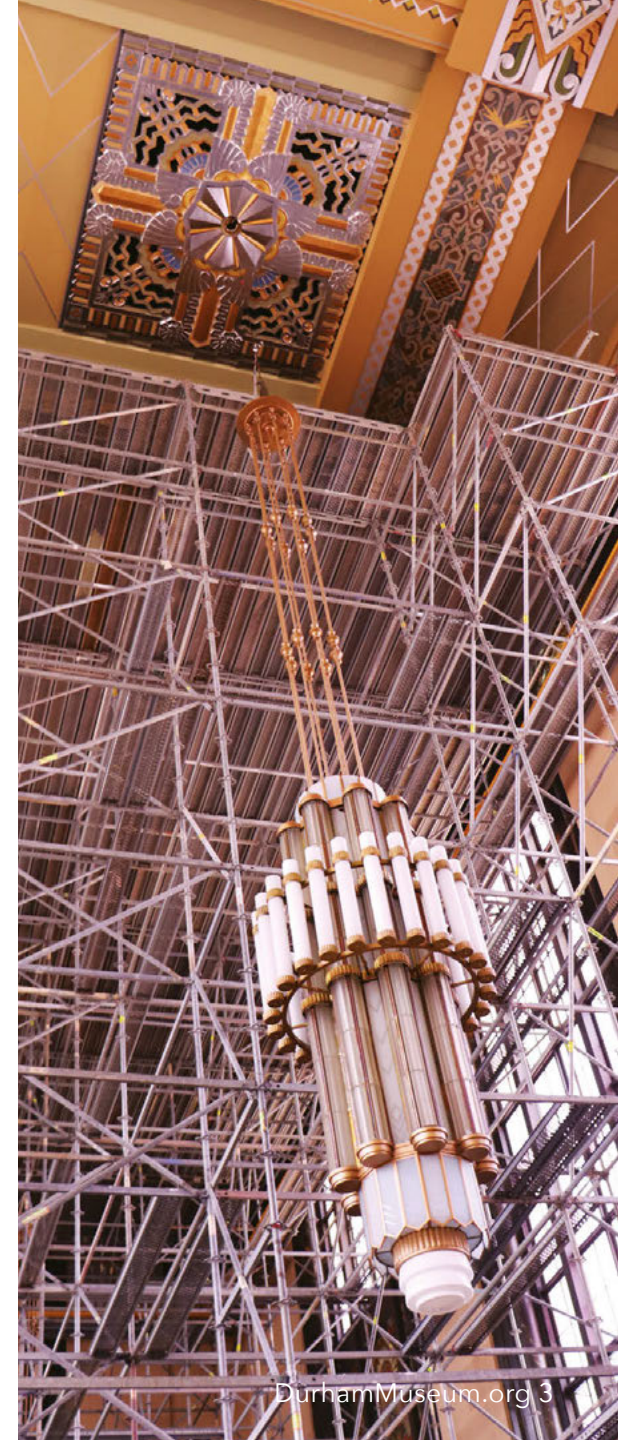
◀ Speaking of hard work, while the museum team was busy caring for Union Station, our friends from LOLUG (Lincoln and Omaha LEGO® User Group) were busy constructing a near-perfect LEGO® replica of their own. The scale and level of detail is awe-inspiring, and we are excited to showcase this piece, along with the work of LEGO®-certified professional Ryan McNaught, during the *Towers of Tomorrow* exhibition. McNaught and his team devoted nearly six months of constant construction, along with their own creativity, ingenuity and skill, to build the structures featured in the exhibition.

We look forward to welcoming you to the museum in the coming months. Whether you enjoy viewing amazing architecture or creating your own, this "piece of the city" will have so much to see and do...or should I say, build?

With sincere appreciation,



Christi Janssen
Executive Director



Towers of Tomorrow with LEGO® Bricks

May 27 - September 3

Time for a summer “block” party at The Durham Museum! *Towers of Tomorrow with LEGO® Bricks* partners some of the world’s most dazzling and innovative skyscrapers with the world’s most popular building brick. The exhibit features 20 astonishing skyscrapers from North America, Asia and Australia constructed in breathtaking architectural detail by Ryan McNaught, one of only 21 LEGO®-certified professionals in the world.

Visitors will be inspired to create their own ‘towers of tomorrow’ with over 200,000 loose LEGO® bricks available in hands-on construction areas. Young and old will be limited only by their imaginations as they add their creations to a steadily rising futuristic LEGO® metropolis inside the exhibition. McNaught and his award-winning team of builders have used more than half a million LEGO® bricks and devoted over 2,000 hours to build the structures featured in the exhibition.

Towers of Tomorrow with LEGO® Bricks is a traveling exhibition from the Museums of History NSW and toured internationally by Flying Fish.



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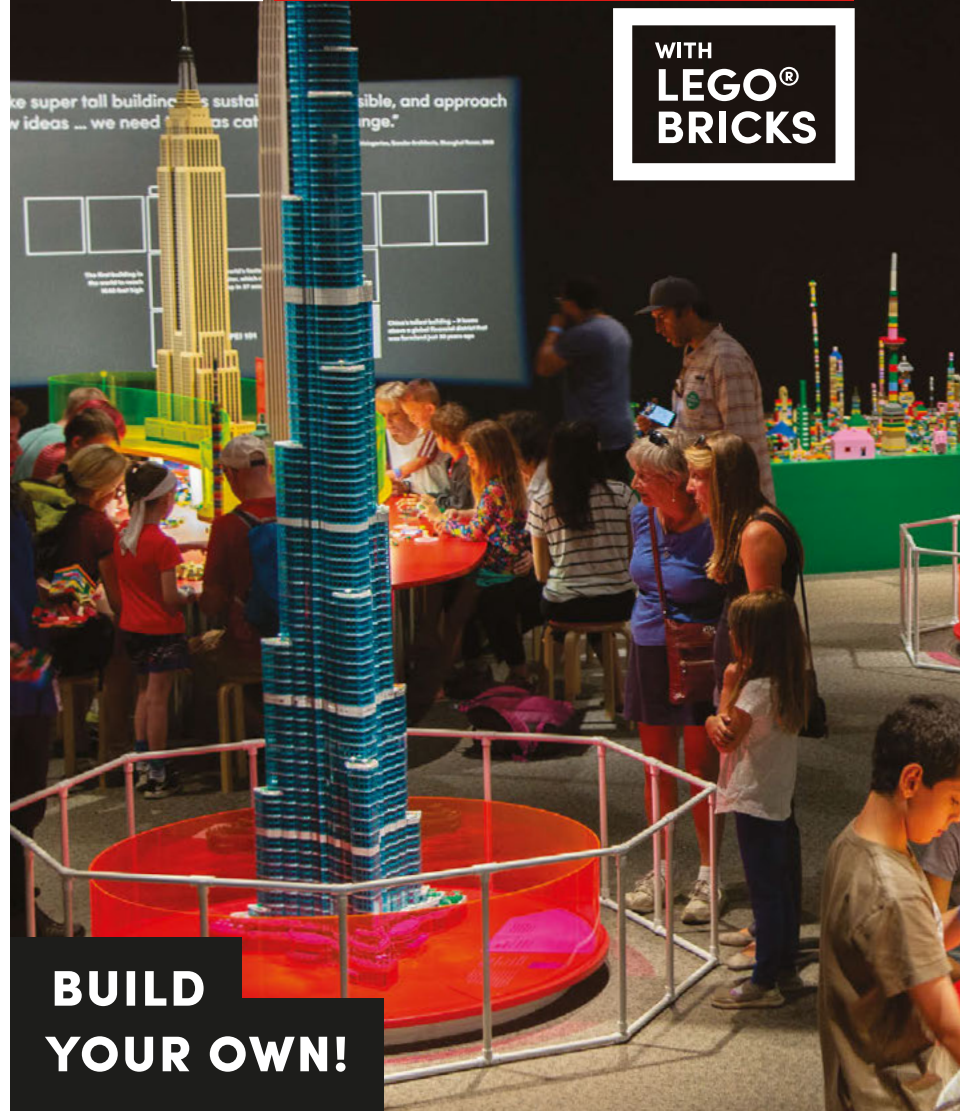
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WITH
LEGO®
BRICKS



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YOUR OWN!**



Ryan McNaught,
LEGO®-certified
professional

**SEE AMAZING
TOWERS!**

Members-Only **SNEAK PEEK**



Members-Only Preview Nights: Towers of Tomorrow with LEGO® Bricks

*Thursday & Friday, May 25 & 26, 5-8pm
Registration Required*

Be the first to get building with *Towers of Tomorrow* during these sneak peek nights for members only! Our newest exhibit will be open exclusively to museum members for two nights before opening to the public on May 27. Enjoy family-friendly activities while channeling your inner LEGO® architect! Food will be available for purchase at the Soda Fountain.

Registration is required and spots will fill up fast so reserve yours today! This event is for current members only. If you are unsure of your membership expiration date, please contact the Membership Department at 402-444-5071 x521 or at the email below.

HOW TO REGISTER:

- Call 402-444-5071
- Email membership@DurhamMuseum.org
- Or go online to DurhamMuseum.org/may-preview

Exhibit Programming



Storytime at the Platform

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Wednesdays, June - July, 10AM-Noon

Join the museum team to hear stories of some of history's most important architects! Each week will feature a read aloud of a picture book followed by a chance to try your hand at your own LEGO® architecture. All ages are welcome and storytime is included with regular museum admission. No registration is required.

View schedule online at DurhamMuseum.org/towers.

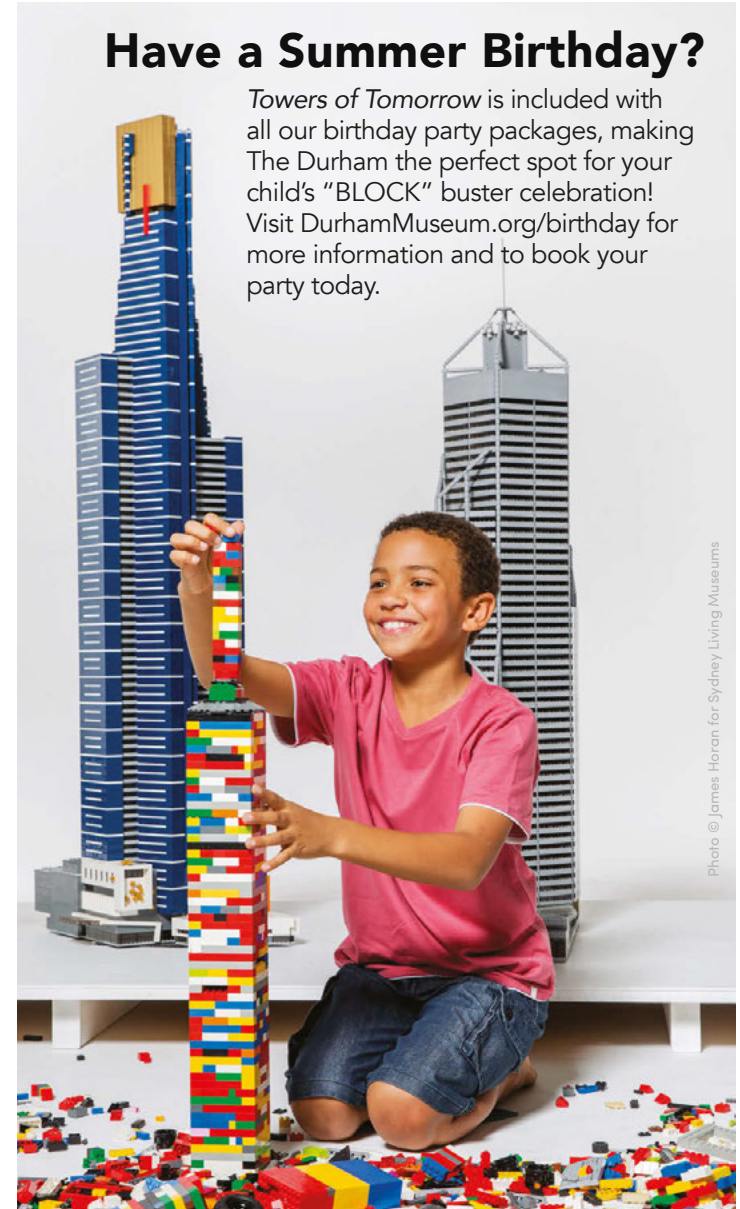


Build It! Fridays

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Fridays, June - July, 10AM-Noon

Gather your family and friends and join us for special games and LEGO® building challenges, sure to spark your creativity all summer long! Registration is not required, and regular museum admission applies.



Have a Summer Birthday?

Towers of Tomorrow is included with all our birthday party packages, making The Durham the perfect spot for your child's "BLOCK" buster celebration! Visit DurhamMuseum.org/birthday for more information and to book your party today.

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Current Exhibits



The Lunchbox: Packed with Pop Culture Now - September 3

The Durham Museum is pleased to partner with local lunchbox collector Mark Kelehan to present *The Lunchbox: Packed with Pop Culture*. Featuring hundreds of lunchboxes as well as one-of-a-kind original paintings, the display provides an overview of the history of lunchboxes, insight into the production process and an educational introduction to the dynamic world of collecting. The exhibit demonstrates how lunchboxes are time capsules of American pop culture from the 1950s through the 1980s. Join us for a celebration of the lunchbox and enjoy a walk down memory lane!



We Created an Exhibit!
The Lunchbox Journey
Tuesday, August 1, 6:30PM



**IN-PERSON or VIRTUAL
LECTURE—you choose!**

Join local collector Mark Kelehan for a discussion about his journey that resulted in creating our current temporary exhibit, *The Lunchbox: Packed with Pop Culture*. In addition to sharing his insights on the history of the lunchbox from the late 1800s to today, he will explore the origins of his own collection from a casual collecting hobby to a museum exhibition, as well as the community and people who helped him along the way.

Two ways to attend! Both on-site and virtual lecture options are available. Visit our website or contact the Education Services Department at education@DurhamMuseum.org or 402-444-5027 to register. On-site lecture is included with regular admission, free for members.

Current Exhibits



Last Chance!

Descendants of DeWitty

Now - May 28

This 27-photo exhibition shares the history of the people of DeWitty, later known as Audacious, the largest and longest-lasting African American settlement in rural Nebraska. The settlers, including former slaves who had fled to Canada before the Civil War and their descendants, began to arrive in 1906-07, attracted by the 1904 Kinkaid Act's offer of 640 acres of free land in the Sandhills. The traveling exhibit is on loan from the Descendants of DeWitty, NE organization.



Byron Reed Favorites

Now - August 6

The staff that is charged with caring for the Byron Reed collection has chosen some of their favorites from the vault to show you. They include items related to national history, early Omaha and Byron Reed himself!



Omaha Workers: Striking a Change in History

Now - August 6

From pharmacists to farmers, striking unions have often been a tool for Nebraskans to try to earn the "good life" and fight for social causes.

This exhibition was developed by Durham Museum Intern and University of Nebraska-Lincoln graduate William James Roe.



Honoring 75 Years: The History of Omaha's World War II Memorial Park June 3 - September 3

America entered World War II following the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. In 1943, before the outcome of the war was even assured, Mrs. Lulu N. Broad, owner of the Gypsy Tea House, wrote a letter to Henry Doorly, publisher of the *Omaha World-Herald*, suggesting construction of a memorial for Douglas County area service men and women.

After nearly a year of study by Omaha civic leaders, the World War Memorial Association, a charitable corporation, was formed and suggested the 65-acre tract of land formerly occupied by the Happy Hollow Country Club and later, the Dundee golf course, to become the site of a permanent tribute for



those men and women who served our country in the U.S. military.

On June 5, 1948, one day before the fourth anniversary of the invasion of Normandy ("D-Day") the citizens of Omaha welcomed President Harry S. Truman to formally dedicate World War II Memorial Park to the people of Douglas County.

The Durham Museum is proud to partner with the Omaha Parks Foundation to highlight the 75th anniversary of this Omaha landmark. To learn more about the 75th anniversary celebration visit OmahaParksFoundation.org/memorial-park-75.



Julia Child: A Recipe for Life

October 7, 2023 - February 11, 2024

The Durham Museum will serve up an exhibition focused on Julia Child's tenacious spirit that drove her insatiable curiosity to try, test, prove and communicate how to make delicious food. *Julia Child: A Recipe for Life* explores her love of learning, how she empowered others to continue learning and the profound impact she had on American cuisine and food culture.

Take a seat at Julia's table and view the obstacles she faced and overcame and where her bold personality led her in her adventures and education. Julia Child was unapologetically herself as she followed her dreams and she worked to inspire her viewers to do the same. Get ready to enjoy a journey guided by different sights, sounds and smells to bring Julia Child's kitchen to life. Bon appétit!

Exhibit was developed by Flying Fish and Napa Valley Museum, supported by The Julia Child Foundation for Gastronomy and the Culinary Arts, Schlesinger Library, Harvard Radcliffe Institute and Oceania Cruises.



A Look Ahead

JUST ANNOUNCED!

White Christmas - The Exhibition

November 21, 2023 - January 28, 2024

The Durham Museum, in partnership with the Rosemary Clooney House Museum and private collectors Stephen and Heather French Henry, will host *White Christmas - The Exhibition* this holiday season. The highest grossing film of 1954 and one of the highest grossing musical films of all time, *White Christmas* has become a holiday film classic. The music of Irving Berlin comes to life with Edith Head's costumes adorning a star-studded cast of Bing Crosby, Rosemary Clooney, Danny Kaye and Vera-Ellen as they dance their way across the silver screen. Not to be forgotten is the patriotic theme that resonates throughout with the honoring of General Waverly, played by Dean Jagger, for his sacrifice and service during WWII.

See film costumes created by legendary designer Edith Head, props, sheet music, archival materials and more! The exhibit features some of the most iconic costumes such as the blue "Sisters" dresses and Vera-Ellen's sparkling "Mandy" dance outfit. Whether you are a fan of the music, the costumes, the pageantry or all of the above...this traveling exhibition will be the highlight of the holidays!

Drop-In Activities

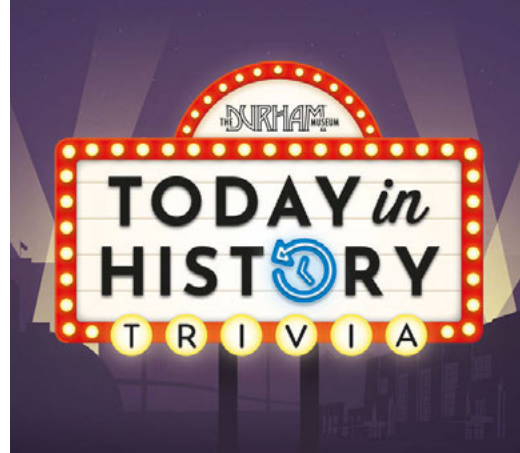
DROP-IN PROGRAMS DO NOT REQUIRE REGISTRATION AND ARE INCLUDED WITH REGULAR MUSEUM ADMISSION.



Celebrate at The Platform

Join us at The Platform, the museum's interactive play space, and celebrate these upcoming holidays with us! Each date will have a special craft or activity and feature related photos from our Photo Archive for a bit of a history lesson while you celebrate.

- **Cinco de Mayo:**
Saturday, May 6, 10AM-Noon
- **Juneteenth:**
Saturday, June 17, 10AM-Noon
- **Independence Day:**
Saturday, July 1, 10AM-Noon
- **Labor Day:**
Saturday, September 2, 10AM-Noon



Today in History Trivia

*Second Saturday of the month,
May - September, 10AM-Noon*

What took place today in history? Stop by our trivia table during your visit to find out! Each event will feature trivia-style questions that tie to historic events that took place that month, giving you a chance to cement your position as a "history expert"—or novice!

- May 13
- June 10
- July 8
- August 12
- September 9



**125th
Anniversary!**

Permanent Exhibit Feature:

Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition Display

*Last Saturday of the month,
June - October, 10AM-Noon*

We're celebrating the 125th anniversary of the Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition with an enhanced exhibit experience! Our talented docents will greet guests with additional photos and objects related to the exposition, with a new theme each month highlighting important elements of this major event.

- June 24 Souvenirs
- July 29 Fashion
- August 26 The Midway
- September 30 The Indian Congress & Displays
- October 28 Specialty Days & Exposition Closing



Smithsonian Channel Film Screenings

As a Smithsonian Affiliate, The Durham Museum has special access to the vast array of incredible documentaries available through the Smithsonian Channel. Join us throughout the year as we feature select titles in commemoration of a variety of heritage months and historical events. Films last approximately one hour and are shown in the Stanley and Dorothy Truhlsen Lecture Hall on the lower level of the museum.



Uncommon Courage: Breakout at Chosin

(Asian American and
Pacific Islander Month)

Saturday, May 6, 11AM & 2PM

Sunday, May 7, 1PM

During the Korean War, the Marine Corps' first Chinese-American officer leads a mission to rescue fellow soldiers trapped behind enemy lines. Meet Lt. Chew-Een Lee, an unforgettable hero whose patriotism, leadership and bravery ushered in a new era in the Marines and America.





Smithsonian Time Capsule: Beyond Stonewall (Pride Month)

Saturday, June 3, 11AM & 2PM

Sunday, June 4, 1PM

The Stonewall riots sparked a new attitude and activism around LGBTQ rights. Half a century later, revisit the historic moment that began a movement and explore objects from the Smithsonian Institution that tell stories of the gay experience in America. Examine a donation can from America's first gay pride march, Matthew Shepard's personal belongings, and notes written to Gene Robinson, the first openly gay bishop in the Episcopal Church. The film includes footage from Lilli Vincenz's films "Gay and Proud" and "The Second Largest Minority."



 **Meet Us at the Park for
HISTORY BUILDERS**
Fridays, June - August,
10AM-Noon, Gene Leahy Mall 

Ready for some time outdoors? Visit us at the Gene Leahy Mall for our History Builders program! Each week will feature an engaging set of LEGO®-build challenges. Using images from our historic Photo Archive as inspiration, see if you can you build a LEGO® ice cream cone or maybe a LEGO® train. Visit each week for new challenges or perhaps find your own building inspiration in the park and its surrounding architecture!

Upcoming Events & Tours



**Tuesdays,
June-August**

The Durham Museum is bringing back "\$5 after 5" to encourage guests to visit the museum after 5PM on Tuesday evenings throughout the summer. During June, July and August, admission for all ages will be just \$5 after 5PM on Tuesdays. (Children age 2 and under remain free.) On Tuesday nights, the museum stays open until 8PM, giving guests the opportunity to visit late during the work week.

Museum members, stop in and bring a friend for just \$5!



MUSEUM INSIDER TOURS

Museum Insider Tours offer guests the chance to see our amazing, but rarely seen, museum collection. Go behind-the-scenes with the Collections team to see some of the 40,000 historical objects housed within the museum's artifact storage area and to learn a bit more about the history of Omaha. Tours are \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. Membership discount applies to those in the household. Advance registration and payment are required. Space is limited! Register online at DurhamMuseum.org, or contact the Education Services Department at 402-444-5027 or education@DurhamMuseum.org.

Omaha Off the Clock Saturday, June 10, 9:30AM

Punch out for the weekend and explore popular Omaha amusements. From the theater to the baseball diamond and ice rink, Omahans have used their free time in a myriad of ways. Glimpse into the past and see the parks, theaters and sports that captured Omaha's imagination.

Omaha's Eerie Past Saturday, October 14, 9:30AM

October is the perfect time to creep into the basement collection and hear macabre tales of Omaha. Learn about death and mourning, local legends and the kookier side of our spooky city. Join us...if you dare!

Upcoming Events & Tours



Micro Weddings: June 17

If you want to say "I Do's" against the backdrop of a historic Omaha landmark, but without the stresses of extensive budgets and planning, the perfect wedding package awaits you at Union Station on Saturday, June 17! The Durham Museum is offering micro weddings to couples looking to tie the knot – or to couples looking to renew their vows – in small and intimate ceremonies.

Our micro-wedding package includes:

- A 15-minute ceremony inside the Suzanne and Walter Scott Great Hall with a Durham-provided officiant
- Up to 10 guests allowed (12 including the couple)
- Cake bites and a champagne toast (Can substitute sparkling grape juice)
- Access to the entire museum for photographs (guests provide the photographer)

Six time slots will be offered between 5:10-6:50PM on June 17. The fee is \$500 and is due at the time of reservation (No refunds). For more information or to book your micro wedding, please connect with our Rental Services Manager at 402-444-5071 or rentals@DurhamMuseum.org.

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ROOT BEER Float Day

Saturday, August 5, 10AM-4PM

Mark your calendar for one of our favorite holidays, Root Beer Float Day! Stop by The Durham Museum to enjoy a free 8 oz. Root Beer Float (while supplies last) at our old-fashioned Soda Fountain and celebrate with one of our signature sweet treats. Plus, Dr. Oxygen will be on hand for some sweet science demonstrations from 1-2PM.

Regular museum admission applies. Free for members!



TEACHERS' WEEK

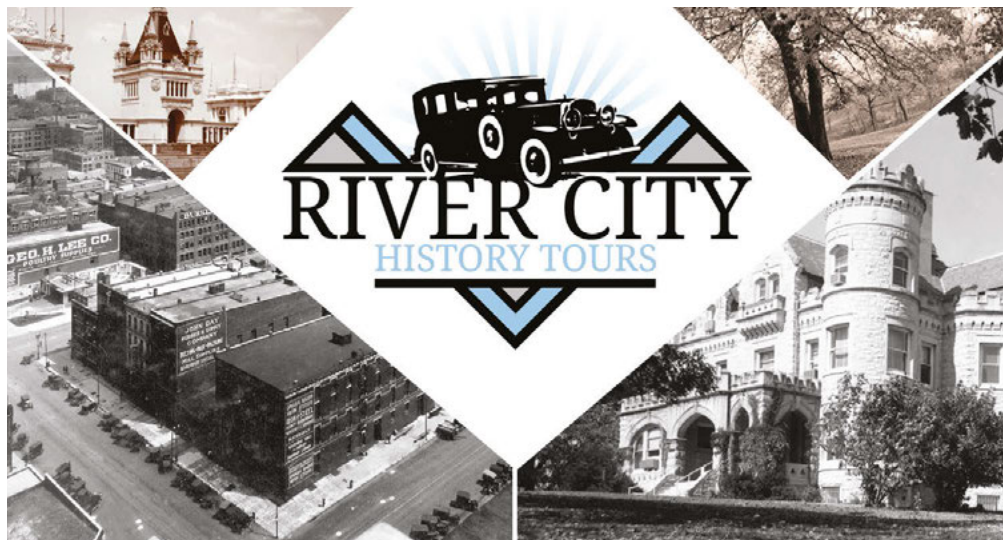
Save the Date for Teachers' Week! October 2-6

Teachers' Night Event, Friday, October 6, 4-7PM

Teachers' Week is back and better than ever! This year's week of appreciation will culminate in the 20th annual Teachers' Night, an appreciation event and resource fair for area educators. Online registration opens August 11!



Upcoming Events & Tours



Grab a Seat (or Your Walking Shoes) for River City History Tours

Public Tour Season: May-October
Private Tours: Available Year-Round

The past comes alive during River City History Tours at The Durham Museum! River City History Tours are historically accurate, entertaining and share the fascinating history of Omaha. Explore the city's vibrant past aboard a comfortable shuttle bus and hear stories that highlight the unique history of various neighborhoods and locations in Omaha ranging from the city's infamous bootlegging history to historic mansions and the families who built them.

To see the full schedule and purchase tickets, visit DurhamMuseum.org/Tours or contact the Education Services Department at 402-444-5027 or education@DurhamMuseum.org.

New Highlights this Year!

- Join us on the first and third Saturday of each month (May-September) for a walking tour of historic downtown Omaha! Each tour begins at 10AM at The Durham Museum and proceeds to the Old Market where you'll enjoy visiting locations ranging from the sites of speakeasies to the well-known Old Market Passageway. Hear the stories of important early Omahans such as political boss Tom Dennison and early pioneers Rachel and William Snowden, before wrapping up at the Downtown Farmer's Market or heading back to the museum to enjoy a visit to our current exhibitions.

- Our popular "Last Call for Alcohol" tour now includes an optional drop-off at Brickway Brewery & Distillery at the end of each tour. A special thanks to Brickway for providing tour guests (21 and over) with a voucher for Buy 1, Get 1 Cocktails, as well as 10% off to-go items and an optional brewery tour.
- The "Parks and Boulevards" tour will include a special stop by Memorial Park in honor of the park's 75th anniversary celebration.
- Our amazing tour guide of over 15 years, Janey Dann is retiring. Her "Millionaire and Mansions" tours are some of our most popular and this is your last chance to hear Janey's stories. Seats will fill up fast!



State Fair Beginnings for The Knights of Aksarben

After an unimpressive experience for the 1894 State Fair in Omaha, the Nebraska State Fair Board informed Omaha's business leaders of the ultimatum to provide better entertainment and provisions for visitors or lose the fair to Lincoln.

These men viewed the State Fair as crucial to Omaha's growth and prosperity, and they formed The Knights of Aksarben (formerly Ak-Sar-Ben) to fundraise and organize a year of unparalleled entertainment. Parts of their plan included securing floats from the previous year's New Orleans Mardi Gras parade and reproducing a similar celebration through a series of parades and street pageants. The first parade, "The Feast of Mondamin," showcased Nebraska's glory. Advertising efforts included a proclamation from the anonymous 'King Aksarben I' along rail lines, souvenir badges and pins and a local musician's composition titled "Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben March" distributed throughout Omaha.

From September 15-21, entertainment included a bicycle parade with costumed riders, military and civic parades and the premier of the Aksarben Ball and Coronation, which concluded the fair week. Firework shows also took place before each nightly parade. Unlike the previous year, Omaha also accommodated over 100,000 visitors as hotel rooms kept low rates and homeowners rented out extra rooms.

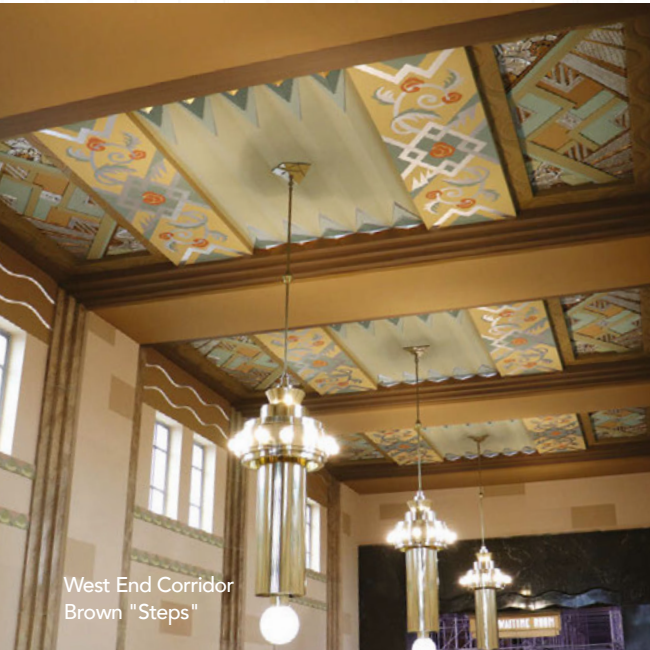


The State Fair did not stay in Omaha the following year, but The Knights of Aksarben went above and beyond the expectations set for them. The effort to keep Omaha on the map succeeded and the Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition was conceived in 1895 for similar reasons. Omaha's people showed that they could proudly host many visitors, and they would do it again during the 1898 Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition with over two million visitors.

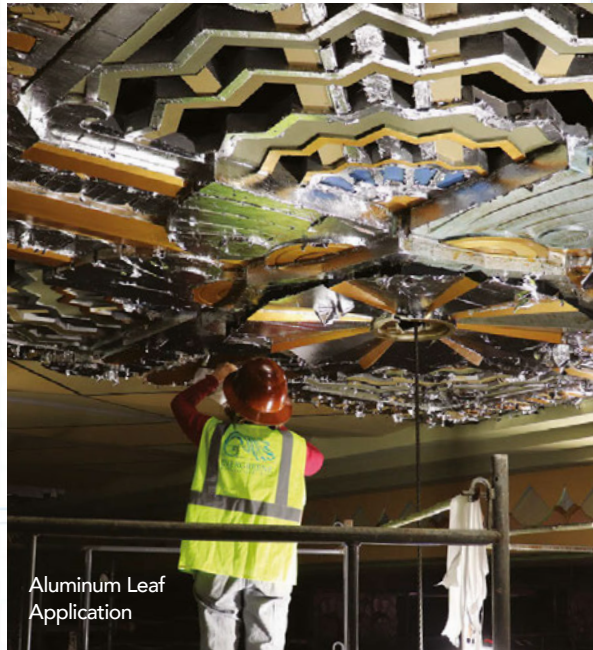
The Feast of Mondamin Panel

The name "The Feast of Mondamin" had been selected from a list of proposed names for the parade, and Nebraskan Louise MacDonagh's suggestion won. The Knights of Aksarben offered the prize of \$10 for the winning name – an equivalent to over \$300 today.

Applause Corner



West End Corridor
Brown "Steps"



Aluminum Leaf
Application



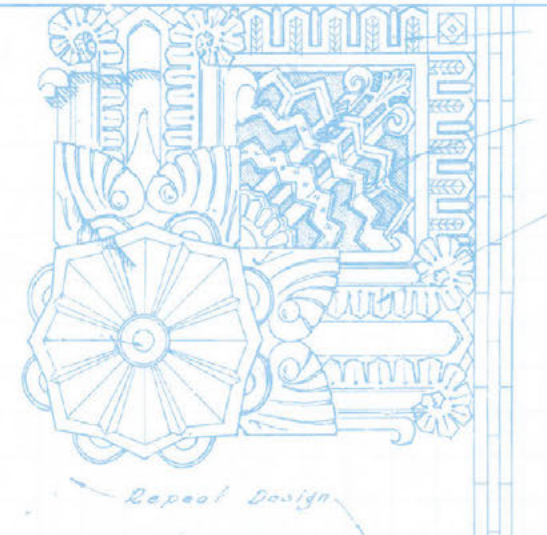
Detail
View

Art Deco Awe!

We have made significant progress with the ongoing ceiling restoration project this spring. Changes are noticeable in the West End Corridor where the "steps" flanking the beams and framing the ornamental ceiling panels changed from green to brown. The team from EverGreene Architectural Arts discovered the original color – dark brown – when studying the layers of paint as well as examining historic photos. The work in the Suzanne and Walter Scott Great Hall has added a special shine to the space. The restoration crew spent time applying fresh aluminum leaf to the grates around the chandeliers as well as to the silver and gold capitals at the top of the columns along the walls. In both spaces, the scope of work included repairing damaged plaster, repainting large fields of color and touching up decorative elements where needed. The museum team is grateful to the community, museum members and donors for the support which has enabled us to execute this project and continue our mission in caring for Omaha's Union Station, a National Historic Landmark! To contribute to efforts like these, please visit DurhamMuseum.org/maintenance-fund.

We encourage you to plan a visit and see all that has been accomplished! The project is anticipated to be complete by the end of May.

16 Timelines



Applause Corner



Volunteers of the Year Award
Lee and Jean Johnson



Newcomer Award
Doug Dutiel



Mission Impact Award
Jan Wilson



**Excellence in
Customer Service Award**
Kathy Hasselbalch

Volunteer Awards

In April, the museum celebrated National Volunteer Month with our annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner and Awards. In 2022, our volunteers served over 10,000 hours in areas ranging from the museum shop and admissions to field trips and behind-the-scenes support. According to the Do Good Institute, who value a volunteer hour at \$29.95, that equates to over \$300,000 in donated time and energy! We are incredibly grateful for each and every museum volunteer for their time, talents and passion.

Each year, we recognize volunteers through awards in four main categories. Please join us in congratulating the above winners of the 2022 Volunteer Awards.

Summer 2023 CAMP

Still a few spots left!

We are just weeks away from kicking off another fun-filled Summer Camp season at the museum! Although many of our camps are sold out, we do still have available sessions. Visit CampsAtTheDurham.org today to snag your spot!

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Development Corner



Help Make History

What do a hammer, a crayon and a corn grinder have in common? At The Durham Museum, these are just a few of the tools that help bring Omaha's stories to life. In the hands of a skilled volunteer or staff educator, these tools can help unlock a lifelong love of history for students and adults alike.

With summer in full swing, please consider making a contribution to The Durham Museum's Annual Fund. Your generous contribution will help underwrite the people and tools needed to continue sharing Omaha's extraordinary stories and touch nearly every aspect of the museum's mission. Gifts to the Annual Fund help bridge the gap needed to keep exhibits and programs coming and Union Station humming.

Simply use your phone to scan the QR code or add a gift to your membership renewal! Want to learn more about supporting a specific area of the museum's mission? Email us at development@DurhamMuseum.org!

Give Today!



Save the Dates! This year the annual Coming Home for the Holidays event features not just one, but two days of holiday cheer and shopping in support of The Durham Museum:

NEW! PATRON PARTY & MARKET
Sunday, November 19, 6-10PM

LUNCHEON & MARKET
Monday, November 20, 10:30AM-3PM

Luncheon & Market Details

Don your best plaid, grab a few friends and join The Durham Museum's On Track Guild on November 20 for a wonderful day of food and shopping that is sure to put you in the holiday spirit! Enjoy shopping local vendors in front of the museum's signature Christmas tree from 10:30AM-Noon. Then, join us for a luncheon and hear from Katie Laughridge, the new steward of Nell Hill's, Kansas City's home decor, furnishings, fabric and home and garden accents destination. One of today's most sought-after lifestyle resources, Katie is the author of the weekly decorating blog "Style at Home" and a column syndicated weekly throughout the United States. Her favorite place to be is at Nell Hill's, working with customers to help them create homes that are lovely and livable, and that celebrate their own style. As an added bonus, Coming Home for the Holiday attendees will be among the first to see the much-anticipated *White Christmas - The Exhibition*.

Tickets to the Luncheon & Market start at \$125 and tables and sponsorships are available. To learn more about this or the evening event on November 19, please visit DurhamMuseum.org/guild or email Janine Kennedy at jkennedy@DurhamMuseum.org.



Calendar of Events

MAY

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- 1 Museum Closed
- 6 Downtown Omaha Walking Tour, 10AM
- 6 Celebrate at The Platform: Cinco de Mayo, 10AM-Noon
- 6 Film Screening: *Uncommon Courage*, 11AM & 2PM
- 7 Film Screening: *Uncommon Courage*, 1PM
- 8 Museum Closed
- 13 Today in History Trivia, 10AM-Noon
- 14 Mother's Day
- 15 Museum Closed
- 20 Downtown Omaha Walking Tour, 10AM
- 21 RCHT: Remember the Ladies, 1PM
- 22 Museum Closed
- 25 Members-Only Preview Nights: *Towers of Tomorrow*, 5-8PM
- 26 Members-Only Preview Nights: *Towers of Tomorrow*, 5-8PM
- 27 *Towers of Tomorrow* exhibit opens
- 28 Sold Out! RCHT: Millionaires & Mansions South, 2PM
- 28 *Descendants of DeWitty* exhibit closes
- 29 Museum Closed

JUNE

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- 2 Build It! Fridays, 10AM-Noon
- 3 *Honoring 75 Years of Memorial Park* exhibit opens
- 3 Downtown Omaha Walking Tour, 10AM
- 3 Film Screening: *Beyond Stonewall*, 11AM & 2PM
- 4 Film Screening: *Beyond Stonewall*, 1PM
- 5 Summer Camp begins
- 6 \$5 after 5PM
- 6 RCHT: Parks and Boulevards, 6PM
- 7 Storytime at the Platform, 10AM-Noon
- 9 Build It! Fridays, 10AM-Noon
- 10 Museum Insider Tour: Omaha Off the Clock, 9:30-11AM
- 10 Today in History Trivia, 10AM-Noon
- 11 Sold Out! RCHT: Last Call for Alcohol, 1PM
- 13 \$5 after 5PM
- 14 Storytime at the Platform, 10AM-Noon
- 16 Build It! Fridays, 10AM-Noon
- 17 Downtown Omaha Walking Tour, 10AM
- 17 Celebrate at The Platform: Juneteenth, 10AM-Noon
- 18 Father's Day
- 20 \$5 after 5PM
- 21 Storytime at the Platform, 10AM-Noon
- 23 Build It! Fridays, 10AM-Noon
- 24 Permanent Exhibit Feature: Trans-Mississippi, 10AM-Noon

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- 1 Downtown Omaha Walking Tour, 10AM
- 1 Celebrate at The Platform: Independence Day, 10AM-Noon
- 4 Museum Closed for Independence Day
- 5 Storytime at the Platform, 10AM-Noon
- 6 Sold Out! RCHT: Last Call for Alcohol, 6PM
- 7 Build It! Fridays, 10AM-Noon
- 8 Today in History Trivia, 10AM-Noon
- 9 RCHT: Expositions to Jazz Musicians, 1PM
- 11 \$5 after 5PM
- 12 Storytime at the Platform, 10AM-Noon
- 14 Build It! Fridays, 10AM-Noon
- 15 Downtown Omaha Walking Tour, 10AM
- 18 \$5 after 5PM
- 19 Storytime at the Platform, 10AM-Noon
- 21 Build It! Fridays, 10AM-Noon
- 25 \$5 after 5PM
- 26 Storytime at the Platform, 10AM-Noon
- 28 Build It! Fridays, 10AM-Noon
- 29 Permanent Exhibit Feature: Trans-Mississippi, 10AM-Noon
- 27 \$5 after 5PM
- 28 Storytime at the Platform, 10AM-Noon
- 30 Build It! Fridays, 10AM-Noon

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- 1 Lecture: The Lunchbox Journey, 6:30PM
- 1 \$5 after 5PM
- 4 Build It! Fridays, 10AM-Noon
- 5 Root Beer Float Day, 10AM-4PM
- 5 Downtown Omaha Walking Tour, 10AM
- 6 RCHT: Expositions to Jazz Musicians, 1PM
- 6 *Omaha Workers* exhibit closes
- 6 *Byron Reed Favorites* exhibit closes
- 8 \$5 after 5PM
- 10 RCHT: Last Call for Alcohol, 6PM
- 11 Summer Camp ends
- 11 Build It! Fridays, 10AM-Noon
- 11 Teachers' Week registration opens
- 12 Today in History Trivia, 10AM-Noon
- 15 \$5 after 5PM
- 18 Build It! Fridays, 10AM-Noon
- 19 Downtown Omaha Walking Tour, 10AM
- 20 RCHT: Remember the Ladies, 1PM
- 22 \$5 after 5PM
- 25 Build It! Fridays, 10AM-Noon
- 26 Permanent Exhibit Feature: Trans-Mississippi, 10AM-Noon
- 29 \$5 after 5PM

RCHT: River City History Tour

June-August: visit us at the park on Fridays, 10AM-Noon ▶ History Builders at the Gene Leahy Mall ▶ June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 • July 7, 14, 21, 28 • August 4, 11, 18, 25



SUMMER HOURS
will be in effect through
the end of August with the
museum open 7 days a week.
On Tuesday nights, we'll be
open late, until 8PM, and
members can bring a friend
for just \$5 after 5PM!

See page 2 for hours.

After checking
out the exhibits, stop
by for some good eats
and sweet treats at the
Soda Fountain. History
and ice cream make
quite a pair!



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