

THE DAVIS MUSEUM CELEBRATES ARCHEOLOGY WITH FUN ACTIVITIES DURING *FAMILY DAY: READY, SET, EXCAVATE!*



WELLESLEY, Mass. – Family members of all ages are invited to ***Family Day: Ready, Set, Excavate!*** on Saturday, October 21, 11 a.m. through 3 p.m. at the [Davis Museum at Wellesley College](#). Activities will celebrate Massachusetts Archaeology Month and International Archaeology Day by exploring the wonders of the past through ancient artifacts, storytelling, art making, tours, treasure hunts, and more.

“There are always fun and creative methods to get the entire family engaged with museums and works of art,” says Arthurina Fears, Manager of Museum Education and Programs. “During this specially themed Family Day, visitors of all ages can participate in activities related to archeology, and learn how to study objects from the past.”

If you go:

Date: Saturday, October 21

Time: 11 a.m. through 3 p.m.

Location: Davis Museum at Wellesley College

Cost: FREE

Food: Light refreshments will be provided

Schedule:

- 11 a.m.–3 p.m.: Art Activities including creating mosaics, exploring an excavation station, and treasure hunt. Prize given to those who complete treasure hunt.
- 11:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m.: Archeology students discuss Wellesley College’s [College Hall](#) excavation project. Students involved in this project hope to glean information about culture and social activities during the early days of Wellesley College. Visitors invited back to project site after presentation.



- 12:30–12:45 p.m.: Modern dance troupe [BANDALOO](#) performance outside of the newly opened Pendleton West building.
- 1–1:30 p.m.: Storytime and Songs with archeology theme from Wellesley Free Library.
- 2–2:45 p.m.: Family Tour tied into archeology including ancient artifacts.

Family Day: Ready, Set, Excavate! is generously supported by the Palley Endowment Fund for Davis Museum Outreach Programs.

New Stroller Tours Debut

During the fall, visitors and young ones can spend an art-filled morning at the Davis strolling the galleries during a free guided tour before regular opening hours. These tours, designed for art lovers and their little ones (recommended for children up to 2 years old) will be led by Arthurina Fears, Manager of Museum Education Programs. Each month features a different theme: October 11: Special Exhibition Focus: **Eddie Martinez: Ants at a Picnic**; November 8: Art and Legends of the Ancient World; and December 13: African Masks and Masquerades.

DAVIS MUSEUM GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Wellesley College, 106 Central St., Wellesley, Mass.

Museum Hours: Tuesday–Sunday, 11 a.m.–5 p.m. Closed Mondays, holidays, and Wellesley College recesses.

Admission is free and open to the public.

Telephone: 781-283-2051

Website: www.theDavis.org

ABOUT THE DAVIS MUSEUM

One of the oldest and most acclaimed academic fine arts museums in the United States, the Davis Museum is a vital force in the intellectual, pedagogical and social life of Wellesley College. It seeks to create an environment that encourages visual literacy, inspires new ideas, and fosters involvement with the arts both within the College and the larger community.

ABOUT WELLESLEY COLLEGE AND THE ARTS

The Wellesley College arts curriculum and the highly acclaimed Davis Museum are integral components of the College's liberal arts education. Departments and programs from across the campus enliven the community with world-class programming– classical and popular music, visual arts, theatre, dance, author readings, symposia, and lectures by some of today's leading artists and creative thinkers–most of which are free and open to the public.

Since 1875, Wellesley College has been a leader in providing an excellent liberal arts education for women who will make a difference in the world. Its 500-acre campus near Boston is home to some 2,400 undergraduate students from 49 states and 58 countries.

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