



Winter 2024 Programs

Museum Hours

Walk-Ins are welcome!

Tuesday – Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The Museum is closed on Mondays.

Holiday Hours

Closed Dec. 24 Christmas Eve, Closed Dec. 25 Christmas Day

Open Dec. 31 New Year's Eve 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Closed Jan. 1, New Year's Day

Closed March 31, Easter Sunday

Receive up-to-date info on programs and exhibits,
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Museum Memberships and Museum Rental information
available on our website and at the Reception desk.



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a grant from the Illinois Arts Council Agency.*

Admission

\$10.00 Adults, \$8.00 Seniors

\$5 Students, Teenagers, Children 7-12

Free for children under 7 yrs.

Wednesday is Free Day.

Members of the Lizzadro Museum and
active members of the Armed Forces
are admitted free of charge any day
the Museum is open to the public.

Accessibility

The Museum has facilities to provide
access for physically disabled visitors.

Volunteering

Volunteering forms are available online.



The Lizzadro Museum Free Day is sponsored by:



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Special Exhibit February 1 through May 31, 2024 The Richard H. Driehaus Lapidary Collection

Chicago philanthropist Richard Driehaus left a rich legacy of art objects to his Foundation. The Lizzadro Museum is the recipient of his lapidary collection including a variety of unique stone objects from around the world and two 19th century Roman micromosaics on loan.

Regular Museum Admission – Regular Museum Hours

Lizzadro Museum Programs January through March 2024



Saturday, January 6 **Start Your Rockin' Collection**

Create your very own, personalized rock collection! Bring your own egg cartons to repurpose into a collection box! Choose from several rocks, minerals, and fossils to fill your collection carton, or bring rocks from home for identification, decoration materials are provided.

*2:00 p.m. – 30-minutes – Ages 5 years & up – \$10 per child – Adults Regular Admission
Limited Capacity – Reservations Required – Register at www.lizzadromuseum.org*



Saturday, January 13, February 3, March 9 **Rock and Mineral ID**

Geologist Sara Kurth teaches the techniques for rock and mineral identification. Learn to identify minerals through basic hands-on identification including observation skills and hardness tests. Great for rockhounds and scouts, this class completes the earth science badges for Cub and Boy Scouts.

*10:30 a.m. – 75-minutes – Ages 8 yrs. & up – \$10 per person – Museum Members Free
Limited Capacity – Reservations Required – Register at www.lizzadromuseum.org*



Saturday, January 20 **Make your own Spectroscope**

Spectroscopes allow us to identify elements present in materials from stars in the sky to minerals on earth. The scopes work by separating light emitted or absorbed by materials into patterns, called spectra, that act as fingerprints for different elements. In this workshop with Kate Martin, make your own spectroscopes from household items and use them to look at different light sources and minerals.

*2:00 p.m. – 75-minutes – Ages 12 yrs. & up – \$15 per person – Museum Members 10% off
Limited Capacity – Reservations Required – Register at www.lizzadromuseum.org*



Sunday, January 21 **Community Music Program: Downtown Charlie Brown**

Charlie Brown (keyboard and vocals) and Harry Binford (acoustic guitar) perform the best of the Delta and early Chicago blues. Charlie will tell more stories about the legendary blues artists and their songs. Did Robert Johnson really sell his soul to the devil? Come out and let Charlie tell you what really happened!

*Performance 2:00 p.m. – 60-minutes – Ages 8 yrs. & up
\$15 per person – Museum Members Free*

Limited Capacity – Reservations Required – Register at www.lizzadromuseum.org



Saturday, January 27, February 24, March 23 **West Suburban Lapidary Club**

Interested in the lapidary arts? Find out more at the WSLC meetings at the Museum. The Club will host a program each month, including presentations, demonstrations, and information on cutting and polishing stones! Programs to be announced in the Museum's digital newsletter each month.

*Club Meeting at 1:00 p.m., Program at 2:00 p.m. – 60 minutes
Teens to Adults Welcome – Regular Admission – Museum Members Free
Reservations Recommended – Sign up at www.lizzadromuseum.org*



Saturday, February 3, March 9 Rockin' Jewelry for Kids

Children can make their own gemstone jewelry! Learn to make a necklace, a keychain, and a pin. All materials included in individual kits. After the class, tour the Museum and complete a scavenger hunt. Completes the Jewelry Badge for Girl Scouts.

Classes 1:30 p.m. – 45-minutes – Ages 8 yrs. & up

\$15 per person includes the Jewelry Kit – Museum Members 10% off with code

Limited Capacity – Reservations Required – Register at www.lizzadromuseum.org



Saturday, February 10 Historic Collections at Christie's

Join Steve Zick, Director of Christie's Midwest, for a robust discussion of the current state of the global art market. He will share details of Christie's 260-year history and focus on recent philanthropic sales including the collections of Elizabeth Taylor, David and Peggy Rockefeller, Paul G. Allen, Ann and Gordon Getty and Hubert de Givenchy.

Lecture – 2:00 p.m. – 60 minutes – Students and Adults – Regular Museum Admission

Museum Members Free – Reservations Recommended – Register at www.lizzadromuseum.org



Sunday, February 18 Community Music Program: Harp Duet

Join professional harpist Janelle Lake and Rebecca Anderson for an hour of relaxing and engaging harp music on two harps. Explore how Chicagoland has become the harp capital of the world through harp craftsmanship history. Lake and Anderson will play works by Salzedo, Hasselmans, Gershwin, Debussy, and more.

Performance 2:00 p.m. – 60-minutes – Ages 8 yrs. & up

\$15 per person – Museum Members Free

Limited Capacity – Reservations Required – Register at www.lizzadromuseum.org



Saturday, March 2 Dino Day

Drop-in and have fun with fossils and hands-on activities! See and touch real fossils, put together 3-D puzzles of dinosaurs, and make your very own fossil imprint to take home! "Say BONES," a fossil-full version of the classic Bingo, will be offered throughout the day. A living history portrayal of Mary Anning, the first female fossilist, will visit and discuss her life and times.

On-going Activities – 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. – All Ages Welcome

"Say Bones" Bingo – 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. – Registration Required

Mary Anning visits – 12:00 & 2:00 p.m.

\$5 per child – Adults and Seniors Regular Admission – Museum Members Free



Sunday, March 10 Meet Our New Executive Director!

Join us for a coffee reception to welcome Dr. Kyle Brill, PhD Geophysics, the Museum's New Executive Director. Dr. Brill will give a presentation on his academic projects including volcano research. Museum patrons and members are welcome to join in this meet and greet with Dr. Brill. Light refreshments will be served.

All Ages Welcome – 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Presentation at 1:00 p.m.

Regular Museum Admission – Museum members Free – Register at www.lizzadromuseum.org



Saturday, March 23 Mazon Creek Fossil Collecting Trip

Join us on a trip to Braidwood, Illinois to collect Mazon Creek fossils at sites within the historic coal strip mining area (conditions permitting). Learn what to look for when collecting these special fossils and how to open them. We will begin with a 30-minute orientation lecture at the Museum before boarding the bus. Travel by motor coach, bring a sack lunch and get ready to collect. Make reservations early, this field trip fills up fast!

Field Trip – 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. – Ages 8 yrs. to Adult

Fee: \$60.00 per person – Museum Members 10% off

Registration opens January 27 – Museum Member registration opens January 13

Reservations Required – Register online at www.lizzadromuseum.org

Announcing The Lizzadro Museum's new Executive Director, Dr. Kyle Brill



Dr Kyle Brill, PhD Geophysics

The Lizzadro Museum's Board of Directors is pleased to announce Dr. Kyle Brill as the Museum's new Executive Director. Dr. Brill will start on January 9, 2024. He succeeds Dorothy J. Asher, G.G. who will step down as Director on December 31, 2023, after nearly 36 years at the Museum. Mrs. Asher will remain on the Board of Directors and act as part-time curator to help with the transition. After a two-year search, we are proud to have this distinguished young man, Kyle Brill, lead the Museum into the next generation.

Kyle grew up in the western suburbs of Chicago, his parents were members of the Museum, and he was inspired to become a geologist while visiting the Museum as a child. Kyle received his B.A. in Geology and Spanish at Augustana College in Rock Island, Illinois. He then attended Michigan Technological University (MTU) in Houghton, Michigan and received his M.S. in Geology and Ph.D. in Geophysics.

While at MTU, Kyle served in the United States Peace Corps as part of the Masters International Program working on the Environmental Conservation and Income Generation Project in Guatemala. He gained experience in working with Guatemalan host agencies on volcano monitoring, municipal emergency action plans and several community projects. He wrote, received and managed a small project assistance grant to construct perimeter walls around a school compound from ecoladrillos (eco-bricks) made of compacted plastic refuse. He also managed academic groups and logistics for Guatemalan volcano investigations and successfully recruited students around the country to attend MTU.

During the Covid pandemic Kyle was a Postdoctoral Associate at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York completing research projects and working with small groups of students on field geophysics. Since 2021, Kyle has been an Instructor at Northeastern Illinois University in Chicago, teaching mineralogy and redesigning courses to attract and retain students while maintaining high academic standards. He currently lives in the western suburbs with his wife and daughter. Kyle is excited to use his skills in new ways to promote the Lizzadro Museum, connect with new generations, and ensure the next phase of stewardship. *Please join us on Sunday, March 10 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. to meet Dr. Kyle Brill and see his presentation at 1:00 p.m.*

In The News

The Museum was awarded a grant for 2024 from the Illinois Arts Council Agency.

The grant will be used for general operating support.

The Museum received donations from the following patrons:

The Richard H. Driehaus Collection – Lapidary art objects.

Jacqueline Maas – Steatite carving of Chinese dragon turtles.

Katherine Mozsi-Newkirk – Antique shell cameos.

George William Satterwaite – Japanese netsukes, and gemstone spheres.



***Thank you to all our members and generous donations received this year!
We are ever grateful for your contributions to continue the Museum's unique mission.
Warmest wishes this Holiday Season, and in the New Year!***