



Fall/Winter 2019 Newsletter



Museum Hours

Tuesday to Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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

Christmas Eve 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

New Years Eve 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Closed Mondays

Closed Christmas Day

Closed New Years Day

Group Tours

Tours can be arranged for groups with special interests or needs. Reservations are necessary for guided tours.

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Admission

\$8.00 Adults, \$7.00 Senior Citizens

\$3.00 Students, Teenagers, Children 7-12

Free for children under 7 yrs.

Wednesday is a Free Day.

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

Accessibility

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

Volunteering

Volunteer forms are available.



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From the Director

Dear Museum Patrons,

It is with great joy and relief that we are opening the *New Museum* facility on November 12. I think you will find our new “digs” much improved and accessible. New exhibits include the exceptional Altar of the Green Jade Pagoda featuring a five-foot high pagoda atop a magnificent 3-tiered platform. The Altar and other fine pieces from the Chang Collection were donated by the Oakland County Museum of California. Mineral Match, a new interactive game is sure to be a favorite, a fun way to explore how minerals relate to everyday objects. All exhibits have been re-worked with the exception of some of the dioramas and rock and mineral experience exhibits.

We welcome our new Curator of Asian Art, Tongyun Yin, Ph.D. She has already enhanced the collection by re-searching pieces and adding much needed interpretation. She will offer programs related to the collection. Along with Sara Kurth, our Geologist educator, we hope to expand our reach in both the cultural and science related programs and tours.

Our special exhibit *Bronze to Jade* is in collaboration with the MacLean Collection. The exhibit features the juxtaposition of ancient bronze wares with more recent jade carvings. This exhibit will continue for our first six months.

A great BIG thank you to all of our members and donors; we could not have completed this project without you. Through building fund contributions, new and renewed memberships the Museum has raised nearly 2 million dollars to complete the new facility. Our membership now includes over 330 individuals and families, a 20% increase over last year.

As our regular Museum hours resume don't forget to visit our expanded Museum Shop with new merchandise for the coming Holiday Season. Your purchases help to support the Museum. As a public charity, your support is vital to our ongoing operations. We look forward to sharing our love of the beauty of gemstones with you.

Hope to see you soon!

Dorothy J. Asher
Director

MUSEUM SHOP Annual Holiday Sale

November 23 to December 8, 2019

**Museum Members receive
20% off purchases!**

Re-carving the Past: The Art of Chinese Bronzes and Jades




MACLEAN COLLECTION


LIZZADRO
MUSEUM
OF LAPIDARY ART

Special Exhibition

November 12, 2019—June 20, 2020

Coming Up at the Lizzadro

Re-carving the Past: The Art of Chinese Bronzes and Jades

November 12 through June 20, 2020

Special Exhibit

Focusing on the shapes and decorations of the two most prominent art forms in China, this exhibition features 11 bronzes from the MacLean Collection and 16 jade carvings from the Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art. They illustrate the enduring importance of antiquity in Chinese art and culture.



Birds, Dragons and Monsters: Form and Decoration on Chinese Ritual Bronzes

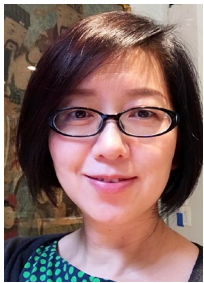
Lecture: November 16, 2-3pm

\$8.00 per person

Reservations Recommended

Free for Museum Members

Bronze vessels, decorated with a variety of motifs, were created as part of ritual practices associated with early ancestor worship in ancient China. This lecture introduces various types of vessels, how they were made, and associated symbolism. Dr. Richard Pegg is the Director and Curator of Asian Art for the MacLean Collection, an Asian art museum and map library located northern suburbs. Curator-led tour of the special exhibit after the lecture.



Embodying Enlightenment: Appreciating Buddhist Art through Jade Carvings

Lecture: December 7, 2-3pm

\$8.00 per person

Reservations Recommended

Free for Museum Members

Buddhism has influenced Asian culture and art over the past 2500 years. Introduced to China from India, Buddhism absorbed indigenous beliefs and incorporated a wide range of imagery into its art. Presented by Dr. Tongyun Yin, Asian Art Curator, the lecture incorporates the Museum's jade carvings to illustrate the basic creeds and iconography of Buddhism to discuss the unique characteristics of Buddhist art in China. Gallery-led tour after the lecture.

Rock and Mineral Identification (Ages 8 years to Adult)

Classes: Dec. 14 and Jan. 18, 10:30-11:45 a.m.

\$8.00 per person

Reservations Required: 630 833-1616

Free for Museum Members

Geologist Sara Kurth presents an introduction to rocks and minerals. Learn to identify minerals through basic hands-on identification including observation skills and hardness tests. Great for rockhounds and scouts, adult supervision is required.

Rockin' Jewelry for Kids (Ages 8 years to 16 years)

Classes: Dec. 14 and Jan. 18, 10:30-11:45 a.m.

\$12.00 per person

Reservations Required: 630 833-1616

\$10.00 for Museum Members

Children can make their own gemstone jewelry to keep. Choose two different types of jewelry to make with stones from the Museum Shop and learn how to work with jeweler's tools. Completes Girl Scout Jeweler's badge.

Dino Day (ongoing activities - Ages 5 to Adult)

January 4, 10am-4pm

\$8.00 per person

No Reservations Required

Free for Museum Members

Drop-in at the Museum and learn more about fossils with hands-on activities! See and touch real fossils, put together 3-D puzzles of dinosaur bones, and make your very own fossil imprint to take home! A drop-in game with prizes will be offered throughout the day with fossil prizes to take home!



Fossil Lake and Other Curatorial Adventures

Lecture: January 11, 2-3pm

\$8.00 per person

Reservations Recommended

Free for Museum Members

Dr. Lance Grande is the Negaunee Distinguished Service Curator of the Field Museum. His research includes extensive work at Fossil Lake, Wyoming. He will be discussing his research on these fossils, as well curatorial adventures and researching from major natural history museums. His books "The Lost World of Fossil Lake: Snapshots from Deep Time" and "Curators: Behind the Scenes of Natural History Museums" are available in the Museum Shop. A book signing will follow the lecture.

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Thank you to our over 300 Museum Members, as well as those who contributed to the Building Fund. This project could not have happened without your generous support.

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