A Week of Visiting Artists at The New Children’s Museum during April Vacation

WEST HARTFORD, Conn (March 9, 2016) – In conjunction with its latest exhibit, Now Eye See It, The New Children’s Museum in West Hartford will be hosting visiting artist workshops during April school vacation, April 11-15.

Workshops will be led by local artists, as well as Art Educators from The Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art in Amherst, MA and The New Britain Museum of American Art (NBMAA).

On Monday, April 11th, Rachel Cutler will show families how to make natural paints and lead them in using these pigments to create art.

On Tuesday, April 12th, Rosanna Karabetsos will lead children in making wearable creature headbands that allow kids to turn into the animal of their choosing.

On Wednesday, April 13th, Art Educators from The Eric Carle will hold a Tissue Paper Collage Creature workshop in which children will be encouraged to create creatures such as those found in Eric Carle’s classic children’s books.

On Thursday, April 14th, Kate Truini explores the color of sounds by combining drawing with movement and music.

On Friday, April 15th, The NBMAA’s Art Educators investigate camouflage and collage in the natural world in a multimedia workshop.

All workshops are drop-in and will take place from noon to 2:00 pm. They are free with general admission or membership. Support for The New Children’s Museum’s visiting artist programs was provided by the Greater Hartford Arts Council and 3M.

Programming complements the Museum’s latest exhibit, Now Eye See It: A World of Seen and Unseen Colors. Now Eye See it is an interactive exhibit where children and adults can explore and experiment with color and light. The exhibit features many interactive educational stations including color mixing activities, a colorized shadow wall and light activated mural, three-dimensional anaglyph pictures and more. Now Eye See It was sponsored in part by Vernon D. and Florence E. Roosa Family Foundation, the William and Alice Mortensen Foundation, and Legrand EWS.

The New Children’s Museum is positioned as a premier education center for children in preschool through middle school. Home to over 100 live animals, the Museum features hands-on exhibits, out-of-this-world digital planetarium shows, and programs for young children and families.
The New Children’s Museum and Roaring Brook Nature Center are the region’s premiere destinations for exploration. The New Children’s Museum and Preschool are located at 950 Trout Brook Drive in West Hartford and Roaring Brook Nature Center is located at 70 Gracey Road in Canton. More information is available at www.TheChildrensMuseumCT.org.

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