



Visiting Artists at The New Children's Museum during February Vacation

WEST HARTFORD, Conn (February 8, 2016) – In conjunction with its latest exhibit, *Now Eye See It*, The New Children's Museum of West Hartford will be hosting visiting artist workshops on several school vacation days, beginning February 15th and 16th.

On Monday, February 15th, Hong Hong will visit the Museum to teach families about Sumingashi, the Japanese art of marbled paper. Join in the marbling process, learn how ink can float on water, and create beautiful pieces of art. Hong is a fiber and installation artist who currently teaches paper-making workshops in the Hartford area.

On Tuesday, February 16th, Adrienne Brown explores color themes and the science behind chromatography with Crazy Color Monster Masks. Learn about how water can mix and bleed colors together to create interesting patterns and effects. Brown is a local art educator with a passion for working with children.

All workshops are drop-in and 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 compliments the Museum's latest exhibit, *Now Eye See It: A World of Seen and Unseen Colors*. Opening Saturday, February 13th, *Now Eye See It* is an interactive exhibit where children and adults can explore and experiment with color and light. The exhibit will feature approximately 30 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 will welcome more visiting artists during April vacation week (April 11-15).

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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