

<u>Antique Boat Museum</u>

Celebrating 50 years of Boat Show

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YOUTH ACTIVITIES CONTINUE AT ABM

CLAYTON, New York (February 23, 2014) - Youth activities continue at the Antique Boat Museum.

B is for Boat connects children with fun crafts, games and/or song during the first full week of each month through May. Children are split into four groups based on grade level for appropriate games, books, activities, and fun.

The Baby Boat grouping is for babies to pre-kindergarten aged children. Baby Boats will meet on Monday mornings from 9:30-10:30 a.m. There will be coloring, toys to play with, singing and dancing to get little ones reading, playing, and working on social interaction.

Silly Skiffs will be for children in kindergarten - first grade. This group will meet on Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m. with plenty of crafts, games, and hands-on activities. The group will read a book with assistance, however encouraged to recognize words, helping to increase vocabulary.

Clever Canoes will engage children in grades 2-3 on Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m. The group will focus on reading books by themselves and comprehension. Each activity will be specifically designed to enhance the understanding of the nautical text through trial and error.

Finally, for grades 4-5, the Feisty Freighters program will meet on Thursdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m. This independent program encourages students to read books they are interested in and then taking the new information and turning it into a hands-on workshop. Participants will explore lighthouses, freighters, boatbuilding, and sailboats.

B is for Boat is held within the exhibit space of the ABM, allowing children to have the chance to interact with the boats by climbing into them, touching them, and using them for inspiration.

This is a free drop in program and no pre-registration is required.

In addition to the B is for Boat program, the popular Teen Night events continue through April.

Teen Nights are open for those between the ages of 13 and 18. Join the Museum on February 28, March 28, and April 25 for a number of theme-related activities. February's event will have an Olympic theme. Registration is only \$5 per person.

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