SUMMER 2023
MAY – AUGUST

Welcome to your glimpse into behind-the-scenes news as well as upcoming programming and events at your world-class museum.

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SUMMER HOURS
Main Museum | 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Museum Store | 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Living History Farm | 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

The Living History Farm will be closed on June 21 & 22 for a special event.

Hours and days open are subject to change.
Dear Members,

Ancient footsteps thunder on the ground, bizarre flying contraptions aim for the skies, mouthwatering Italian aromas waft across the grounds, captivating Modernism reflects Big Sky, and Montana nights twinkle to divulge ancient lore and science. These are just a few of the engaging experiences with science and history that are being shared at Museum of the Rockies.

This summer, your museum is alive with cracking the proverbial egg. Our Da Vinci The Exhibition brings to the Northern Rockies the science and artistry of one of the great geniuses of the Renaissance. Supporting this impressive, family-friendly exhibit will be planetarium shows, a film in the Hager Auditorium, and an expansive menu of programs. While many of our related events are for kids of all ages, Summer Solstice in the Rockies: Viva l’Italia! will be a festive night of Italian culture for adults and will help raise critical funds to support the museum’s educational mission.

Back by popular demand is Hops & History: Brewing in Montana at the Living History Farm along with a variety of other programs throughout the summer at the Farm. Education continues with programs such as Sensational Babies, summer camps, and the wildly fun Adult Exploration Series. And, open only to members, there will be another trip to the famed Egg Mountain, where you literally get to walk on dinosaur eggshells and explore this amazing site with MOR’s Education and Paleontology teams. There are other activities that your museum is undertaking that are not as visible. Every summer, we send our paleontology team, along with a variety of students and guest researchers, out into the field to collect new dinosaur fossils. This ongoing research is constantly expanding our understanding of the world of dinosaurs.

We are also continuing with research for future exhibits. Cretaceous Crossroads will showcase much of the groundbreaking work that has taken place at the museum and Egg Mountain. Under a Common Sky: Voices and Visions of Indigenous Peoples will act as an important cultural voice, exploring not only Native heritage in our region but their cultures today.

There are so many important and exciting activities taking place at MOR. It is impossible to write about all of them. However, I invite you to read this issue of the Snapshot. The short articles and calendar of events provide a glimpse into the thrilling work and experiences taking place at the museum.

Thanks so much for your support and involvement with Museum of the Rockies. We could not do this without our members, friends, and supporters.

See you at the museum,

Chris Dobbs
Executive Director

ASTC Travel Passport Benefits
With your MOR membership, you are eligible for free or reduced general admission when you travel 90+ miles outside of Bozeman to visit over 360 museums and science centers worldwide through the Association of Science and Technology Centers (ASTC) Travel Passport Program. Remember to take your current MOR membership card when you travel to receive this benefit!

Learn more and search for participating venues at astc.org
Thirty years ago, a Tyrannosaurus rex roared in the rain, and Jeff Goldblum said, “Life finds a way.” Based on the novel by Michael Crichton, Jurassic Park was one of the first movies to present dinosaurs as active, complex animals rather than lumbering monsters. It, of course, featured familiar dinosaurs like T. rex and Triceratops but also made the lesser-known Velociraptor, Brachiosaurus, and others into household names. The movie also sparked an interest in ancient life in a generation of kids, some of whom went on to become paleontologists or entered other related fields of science.

From the beginning, there has been a link between Jurassic Park and Museum of the Rockies. One of the movie’s paleontologists, Dr. Alan Grant, was based in part on former MOR Curator of Paleontology Jack Horner. Many of Jack’s dinosaur discoveries in Montana helped inform the modern view of dinosaurs as active, social animals with more in common with birds than lizards.

This new view of dinosaurs was one of the things that made the movie so groundbreaking. I remember sitting in a darkened theatre, watching a flock of birds fly across the screen, and it being just as moving a dinosaur scene as any created by special effects.

Our understanding of what dinosaurs were really like - how they lived, grew, and behaved - continues to evolve. A lot has been learned in the last thirty years, and new discoveries are being made constantly.

In a few weeks, the MOR paleontology field crews will be heading back out into the badlands of Montana. Tyrannosaurs, Triceratops, raptors, and more are waiting in the hillsides. Who knows what surprising dinosaur discoveries we might unearth and how they might help shape the cinematic portrayal of these incredible creatures for future generations?
EXHIBITIONS & TAYLOR PLANETARIUM

Explore a World of Wonders this Summer: Captivating Exhibits, Stellar Planetarium Shows, and Engaging Auditorium Shows Await!

Scott A. Williams, Director of Exhibitions and the Taylor Planetarium

W e are excited to have Da Vinci: The Exhibition as our summer blockbuster exhibit! Visitors might remember the Leonardo Da Vinci: Machines in Motion exhibit from 2010; however, da Vinci is a new exhibit created by our friends at Imagine Exhibitions. While the 2010 exhibit had many static exhibits focusing on da Vinci’s inventions, this exhibit features more hands-on elements and many fine studies of his most famous artwork. Reproductions of iconic inventions such as the catapult, tank, aerial screw, glider, self-propelled cart, and more will be displayed. Fine art studies include replicas of The Last Supper, St. John the Baptist, and more. Da Vinci: The Exhibition will open to members and the public on Friday, May 26.

Mesozoic Masterpieces: The Art of Douglas Henderson showcases over 30 matted and framed original Douglas Henderson paintings alongside dinosaur fossil material from the famous Two Medicine Formation. Henderson’s art has been published in numerous paleontology and dinosaur books, including Maia: A Dinosaur Grows Up. View Mesozoic Masterpieces in the Siebel Dinosaur Complex.

Several new, returning, and updated shows await you in the Taylor Planetarium. From Galileo: The Power of the Telescope, 5,000 Eyes: Mapping the Universe with DESI, Dynamic Earth, and our updated, original Taylor Planetarium show, Montana Skies. Planetarium shows continue to be free for MOR Members; however, for non-members, MOR will be instituting a $3 upcharge. Want more? From May 26 - September 3, MOR will screen two new shows. Decoding da Vinci is a fascinating 53-minute NOVA documentary with expert commentary and stunning visuals, taking viewers on a journey through the mind of Leonardo Da Vinci.

Looking for something a little shorter and action-packed? The Tale of Horns and Teeth is a captivating, 20-minute animated movie created by renowned artist/author Ted Rechlin and narrated by Dr. John Scannella, MOR’s John R. Horner Curator of Paleontology. This show was made exclusively for Museum of the Rockies. It tells a story of a young Tyrannosaurus rex and Triceratops from the moment they hatch from their eggs to their eventual final battle. The Tale of Horns and Teeth depicts animated dinosaur violence, loud noises, and a few scary bits. It is PG equivalent rated and recommended for ages 8+.

As ever, Museum of the Rockies has new exhibits, planetarium shows, and now auditorium shows for every interest level. Please visit our website for updates, showtimes, and recommended viewing ages.

CULTURAL HISTORY

Helen McAuslan’s Mark on Montana Modernism

Annya Jacobs, Cultural History Collections Assistant and Maggie Rechlin, Cultural History Collections Intern & MSU Art History Graduate Student

O ver the past year, we have been processing over 500 artworks by Helen McAuslan. The Montana Arts Council* awarded a Cultural Trust Grant to complete the McAuslan Digitization Project. Helen McAuslan was a prominent Montana Modernist. Over the course of her life, she traveled across North America, the Caribbean, Asia, Africa, the Middle East, the United Kingdom, and Europe. In between her international adventures, she would return to the USA, showing her art in exhibitions, winning tennis championships, contributing to local politics, and becoming a prized pig farmer. She was a jack of all trades and seemingly left her influence everywhere she visited. However, throughout her explorations and ventures, Montana continued to be the place that captivated McAuslan.

McAuslan first visited Montana in 1932. Inspired by its rich and extensive landscape, she continued to visit until 1946, when she moved here permanently. McAuslan expressed, “Since I have lived in Montana, I have an enriched awareness of space and time - caused by the mountains, the space, the great distance around us. This quality I attempt to indicate in my paintings and sculpture.”

Our three interns, Maggie Rechlin, Lizzie Salacinski, and Adam Fuller, have been conducting extensive research, updating digital database records, performing detailed examinations, and formulating strategic housing methods to properly catalog each of McAuslan’s pieces. Our student employee Thor Ruzius has fully renovated our department’s photography studio and is currently working on photographing our framed McAuslan works for condition report assessments as well as a future digital publication.

By the end of this project, each of the paintings, drawings, collages, and sculptures will have been fully documented. This digitization project is an ode to the beauty that Helen McAuslan captured across Montana as well as our local community of Bozeman.

Look for a Helen McAuslan exhibit in MOR’s Paugh History Hall Summer of 2023.

*The Montana Arts Council is funded in part by coal severance taxes paid based upon coal mined in Montana and deposited in Montana’s cultural and aesthetic projects trust fund.
DEVELOPMENT & MEMBERSHIP

Ensuring Access to Educational Benefits
Patricia (Tricia) Erikson, Director of Development & Membership

For approximately 20 years, Museum of the Rockies has partnered with Human Resource Development Council’s Head Start Program to provide memberships free of charge to families coping with homelessness or significant economic challenges in Gallatin and Park Counties. Members enjoy access to weekly early childhood education programs at the museum for babies, toddlers, and their parents.

In March 2023, the annual celebration of this long-standing partnership returned for the first time since the beginning of the COVID pandemic. HRDC’s Head Start Enrollment Coordinator Hannah David described the event this way: “There were so many families that came up to us when they were leaving and were so grateful for such a wonderful evening. Our final count of Head Start family members and staff was 292! Out of those who completed the survey, one-third said they have been to the museum over 7 times! There were just as many who said between 4 - 6 times. That makes me so happy! We so appreciated the help from all of you at Museum of the Rockies.”

Thank you to our generous sponsors of Head Start Access Initiatives!

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The Joy of Introducing Children to Art, Culture, and Science
Jennifer Miller, Membership and Annual Giving Manager

It brings me great joy to help museum members and businesses in the community create meaningful connections with the Museum of the Rockies. There is nothing more rewarding in my position at the museum than seeing parents introduce their children to art, culture, science, history, world-class exhibits, and groundbreaking paleontological research. This provides encouragement, inspiration, engagement, and a foundation for life-long learning.

My earliest Museum of the Rockies experience was when my rural Montana elementary school class visited the museum as part of the Opening Doors for Montana Schoolchildren program. This fantastic program has continued over the years and serves over 7,000 schoolchildren throughout Montana each year.

I was born and raised in Montana and am a proud Montana State University (MSU) alumnus. I earned a Bachelor of Science in sociology and a Minor in justice studies. I am married to my high school sweetheart, an MSU alumnus, and a volunteer for the museum. My husband and I have two children and love living and raising our family in Bozeman. My passion is travel, and I always look forward to our next journey and jet lag.

I enjoy welcoming new members into the museum family, and creating new relationships and long-lasting bonds. I am inspired by the generosity of loyal members and donors and those who give so much of their time and energy to make the museum the special place it is today.

Thank you for your membership and your support!

EDUCATION & PUBLIC PROGRAMS

Discovering Inspiration and Fun at MOR!
Chelsea Hogan, Director of Education and Public Programming

Spring and summer are upon us again. Despite having just endured a week of heavy snowfall here in Bozeman, signs of spring are slowly showing themselves. Little shrews are peaking their heads through the ground outside my window, and the magnies are poised to feast. Though we are undoubtedly not totally in the clear yet, I am optimistic that warmer days are ahead.

At the beginning of this year, we officially welcomed a new team member to the department. It is with great pleasure that I announce that Steve Phelps has accepted the position of Volunteer Manager. Steve has acted with impressive dedication and skill as our Interim Volunteer Coordinator for the past 18 months. Before that, Steve volunteered in nearly every capacity at MOR.

Steve can be found interpreting in the Bowman Viewing Lab, running planetarium programs, giving tours, and in many other capacities. Not only has he exhibited a true commitment to the museum, but his years of service have provided him with invaluable knowledge of our volunteer family and museum content. We are delighted to welcome Steve to our team officially.

This spring and summer, we’re launching a few new programs and bringing back favorites that will engage the public with our world-class history and paleontology collections and the great Montana outdoors.

Summer Camp is completely sold out with a waiting list, and campers are gearing up for an amazing summer of dinosaurs, history, art, and more. Our popular Early Learning classes will continue, though on a reduced summer schedule.

Nature lovers can accompany Outreach Program Manager Ashley Hall to her popular Birds and Brews program. Fresh air, exercise, stimulating conversation, and a cold beer hit the spot on a warm summer day! At the Tinsley House and Living History Farm, we will partner with a talented chef to help bring historical recipes back to life.

Back by popular demand, we are taking members to Egg Mountain, the site of our paleontologists’ first discovery of dinosaur embryos and expanding upon last year’s trip with a few new stops to relevant paleontological places. This exclusive day trip is only available to museum members. The opportunity to spend the day with paleontologists Dr. John Scannella, Dr. Dave Varricchio, Lee Hall, and MOR educators promises to be a special experience.

Are there any inventors, scientists, or artists in your family? If so, you won’t want to miss DaVinci Family Day! This special event offers free activities for members to inspire the next generation of Renaissance geniuses, providing an opportunity to meet the legendary Leonardo himself.

Whether it’s T. rex, historic Montana, or a Renaissance master that brings you to Museum of the Rockies this summer, I hope your visits are inspirational, educational, and fun. I hope to see you at a MOR program soon!
Explore the Cosmos in the Spectacular Taylor Planetarium

The Taylor Planetarium, located inside Museum of the Rockies, is a state-of-the-art facility that offers visitors an immersive and educational journey through the wonders of the universe. Named in honor of its benefactors, James and Beatrice Taylor, the planetarium provides an exceptional astronomical experience for people of all ages.

Equipped with advanced digital projection systems, a 40-foot domed screen, and 85 reclining seats, the Taylor Planetarium delivers stunning visual and audio presentations. The high-resolution imagery and surround sound create a realistic and captivating environment, making you feel like you are traveling through space.

Step into a world of wonder and embark on an unforgettable journey through the cosmos. Get ready to be mesmerized by breathtaking celestial displays and mind-expanding knowledge. Whether you’re an astronomy enthusiast, a curious student, or a family seeking an adventure, our planetarium has something for everyone.

Pricing through May 26, 2023: Free for members. Included with admission for non-members.

Tickets through May 26, 2023: Tickets are not required.

Pricing starting May 27, 2023: Free for members. Only $3 per non-member, an incredible value for an unforgettable cosmic adventure!

Tickets starting May 27, 2023: Tickets are available for members and non-members on a first-come, first-served basis the day of the show and can be obtained at the Front Desk.

Seating: Planetarium seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Be sure to arrive 10 – 15 minutes early to secure your seat, as the doors close promptly at the top of the hour. Food and beverage are not allowed in the planetarium.

May 27 – September 3, 2023

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MONTANA SKIES
This live narrated show will cover the stars and planets you can see in the skies this evening. You will see Orion and the nearby nebulas in the sky, Taurus and supernova remnants, and much more! Recommended for ages 10+.

GALILEO: THE POWER OF THE TELESCOPE
This show transports audiences to Pisa, Italy, to witness Galileo’s earliest experiments with gravity and the laws of motion. Viewers will share in his most significant discoveries and experience how one man can truly shape the future of science. Recommended for ages 6+.

DYNAMIC EARTH
Explore the inner workings of Earth’s climate system. Using scientific visualizations, ride along on swirling ocean and wind currents, dive into the heart of a monster hurricane, come face-to-face with sharks and gigantic whales, and fly into rolling volcanoes. Narrated by actor Liam Neeson. Recommended for ages 6+.

SECRET OF THE CARDBOARD ROCKET
Adventure through the solar system in the Cardboard Rocket! Travel with two children and their navigator, the talking astronomy book. Visit the Sun, the planets, the Moon and more. Recommended for our youngest viewers, up to age 8.

5000 EYES: MAPPING THE UNIVERSE WITH DESI
The Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument (DESI) is creating the most detailed map of our nearby universe. Installed on the Mayall telescope on Kitt Peak in Southern Arizona, DESI’s 5,000 independently operated robots can simultaneously measure the light from thousands of galaxies. Join us as we explore the science, instrument, and people behind this global endeavor. Recommended for ages 8+.

Daily Showings in the Hager Auditorium

May 26 – September 3, 2023
Included with membership/admission
Doors open 10 minutes before showtime for seating.

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Decoding da Vinci is a fascinating documentary that explores the life and work of a true Renaissance man. With expert commentary and stunning visuals, viewers are taken on a journey through the mind of Leonardo da Vinci, from his artistic masterpieces to his ground-breaking scientific discoveries. Runtime is 53 minutes and is recommended for ages 8+.

NEW! The Tale of Horns and Teeth is a captivating short film created by Ted Rechlin and narrated by Dr. John Scannella, MOR’s John R. Horner Curator of Paleontology, and was made for Museum of the Rockies. It tells the story of T. rex and Triceratops and how they evolved over time. The film takes you on a journey through the prehistoric world, showcasing the fascinating growth and development of these iconic creatures. (Includes some loud sounds of dinosaurs fighting.) Runtime is 21 minutes and is recommended for ages 8+. PG equivalent rating.
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Saturday, May 13
Spotlight on History | Springfield Trapdoor: The First Modern Rifle of the United States
11 a.m., 1 p.m., & 3 p.m. | Paugh History Hall
Included with membership/admission
Explore the first breechloader weapon issued to the US Army, typically housed behind the scenes in MOR collections with Living History Manager Peter Mousseau.

Monday, May 15
Homeschool Monday
9 a.m. – 5 p.m. | Free for homeschooling families. Registration is required.

Wednesday, May 24
Sensational Babies
10 a.m. & 1 p.m. | Redstart Classroom
Included with membership/admission

Friday, May 26
Da Vinci The Exhibition Exhibit Member Opening and Cosmos and Coffee
9:30 – 9 a.m. | RSVP recommended
Kick off Memorial Day Weekend and help us welcome Da Vinci The Exhibition, MOR's summer blockbuster, at our member-only exhibit opening reception. A catered, light continental breakfast will begin at 7:30 a.m., an exhibit ribbon cutting will occur at 8 a.m., and MOR's Cosmos and Coffee member-only planetarium preview show of Galileo: The Power of the Telescope will begin at 8:30 a.m.

Da Vinci The Exhibition Opens to the Public
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Included with membership/admission

Sensational Babies
10 a.m. & 1 p.m. | Redstart Classroom
Included with membership/admission

Saturday, May 27
Celebrating Da Vinci The Exhibition
Included with membership/admission

Da Vinci Family Day
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Part artist, part scientist, part engineer, Leonardo Da Vinci was a Renaissance genius who made his mark on the world. Join us for a family-friendly celebration of Davinci's work through art and inventions that complements Da Vinci The Exhibition.

Da Vinci Trivia
10 a.m. – 2 p.m. | Bair Lobby
Test your knowledge of the Italian master to win a small prize. Hosted by a surprise guest visiting from the 16th century.

DIY Da Vinci Drop-in
12:30 – 3:30 p.m. | Redstart Classroom
Does it fly or swing? Does it hold or sink? You will need to ask these questions when you recreate one of his famous contraptions. Use popsicle sticks to build bridges, paper to make helicopters, or plastic of his famous contraptions. Use popsicle sticks to build bridges, paper to make helicopters, or plastic to make a scuba suit in this family-friendly drop-in program at Museum of the Rockies!

Meet the Artist: Rollin Beamish
1 – 4 p.m. | Da Vinci Exhibit Hall
Rollin Beamish is an Associate Professor at Montana State University’s School of Art who teaches courses on drawing, painting, and interdisciplinary studio art. Stop by Da Vinci The Exhibition to learn about portraiture and drawing techniques through discussion and live demonstration.

Monday, May 29
Living History Farm Opens for the Season
Daily | 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Included with membership/admission

Wednesday, May 31
Sensational Babies
10 a.m. & 1 p.m. | Redstart Classroom
Included with membership/admission

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Saturday, June 3
MOR Adult Exploration Series: Egg Mountain EGGspedition
7 a.m. – 7 p.m. | MOR > Egg Mountain > MOR
$20/member | Registration Required | Age 18+
Join us for an exclusive Egg Mountain EGGspedition! Led by Curator of Paleontology Dr. John Scannella, Paleontology Field Professional Lee Hall, MSU professor and world-renowned dinosaur egg expert Dr. David Varricchio. Tour the 75-million-year-old paleontological site near Choteau, Montana, where the first dinosaur babies were discovered. We will depart from MOR at 7 a.m. and return at 7 p.m., spending all day touring historic fossil sites and learning about its rich history and recent discoveries. This is an adults-only MOR member trip, as we will be hiking five miles through rough and muddy terrain with little shade and no restrooms. Boxed lunches and transportation will be provided. Limited to 28 members age 18+

Sunday, June 4
Cooking with the Tinsleys: Farmhouse Sourdough Bread & Cowboy Coffee
5 – 8 p.m. | Living History Farm’s Tinsley House
$30/member, $40/non-member | Registration Required
Come down to the Tinsley House kitchen and learn how to make classic sourdough bread, a staple in many homestead households, with chef Cory Bruder. You will need to ask these questions when you recreate one of his famous contraptions. Use popsicle sticks to build bridges, paper to make helicopters, or plastic to make a scuba suit in this family-friendly drop-in program at Museum of the Rockies!

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Monday, June 7
Sensational Babies
10 – 11 a.m. | Redstart Classroom
Included with membership/admission

Wednesday, June 14
Sensational Babies
10 – 11 a.m. | Redstart Classroom
Included with membership/admission

Wednesday, June 21
Sensational Babies
10 – 11 a.m. | Redstart Classroom
Included with membership/admission

Thursday, June 22
Summer Solstice in the Rockies: Viva l’Italia!
6 p.m. | Living History Farm
$95/ticket | Age 21+
Join us for a festive community celebration of the start of Summer that furthers our mission of bringing the world to Montana and sharing the Northern Rockies with the world. For more information and to purchase tickets, please flip to page 2.

Tuesday, June 27
MOR Adult Exploration Series: Birds and Brews
6 – 8 p.m. | Meet in MAP Brewing Company’s Parking Lot
$10/member, $15/non-member | Age 21+
Learn the basics of birding, a.k.a. avian dinosaur watching, with avid birder and Outreach Program Manager Ashley Hall. While T. rex is now extinct, avian dinosaurs thrive in our region’s many habitats. Learn proper binocular use, how to identify birds based on shape and call, and how to set up and track birds through your own eBird account. Meet in the MAP Brewery Company parking lot. We will look for birds around the Glen Lake Rotary Park and then grab a brew on MAP’s patio. Don’t have your own binoculars? We will provide them for you. Limited to 15 adults.

Wednesday, June 28
Sensational Babies
10 – 11 a.m. | Redstart Classroom
Included with membership/admission

Living History Farm
Daily | 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.
The Living History Farm will be closed on June 21 & 22 to set up and host the annual fundraising event, Summer Solstice in the Rockies: Viva l’Italia!
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Sunday, July 2
Cooking with the Tinsleys: Biscuits and Cherry Syrup
5 – 8 p.m. | Living History Farm’s Tinsley House
$30 for members, $40 for non-members | Registration Required
Join us to bake a set of hot and fresh biscuits according to a 19th-century recipe with chef Cory Bruder. We will make choke cherry syrup from scratch on the wood-fired stove to add flavor. This class will also include a spirited tour of the Tinsley house and gardens by Living History Manager Peter Mousseau.

Wednesday, July 5
Sensational Babies
10 – 11 a.m. | Redstart Classroom
Included with membership/admission
Living History Farm
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Sensational Babies
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Thursday, July 20
Hops & History: Brewing in Montana
5:30 p.m. | Living History Farm
$35/person | Registration required
Back by popular demand, this Hops & History event will support educational programming at MOR’s Living History Farm, by pairing historical talks with beer tastings from local breweries. Listen to live music while you enjoy small plate dishes and brews. Enjoy a great summer evening while learning about the history of brewing in Montana with short talks by museum curators, educators, and brewery representatives.

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Tuesday, July 25
MOR Adult Exploration Series: Birds and Brews
6 – 8 p.m. | Meet in MAP Brewing Company’s Parking Lot
$10/member, $15/non-member | Age 21+
Learn the basics of birding, a.k.a. avian dinosaur watching, with avid birder and Outreach Program Manager Ashley Hall. While T. rex is now extinct, avian dinosaurs thrive in our region’s many habitats. Learn proper binocular use, how to identify birds based on shape and call, and how to set up and track birds through your own eBird account. Meet in the MAP Brewery Company parking lot. We will look for birds around the Glen Lake Rotary Park and then grab a brew on MAP’s patio. Don’t have your own binoculars? We will provide them for you. Limited to 15 adults.

Saturday, July 22
Crafting with the Tinsleys: Historic Craft Day
10 a.m. – 5 p.m. | Living History Farm’s Tinsley House
Included with membership/admission
How did homesteaders craft rugs, quilts, and other home enhancements? Come down to the Tinsley House and learn about the sort of crafts that would have been common during the Tinsley’s day. Learn about weaving, sewing, and other similar skills.

Wednesday, July 26
Sensational Babies (Ages Birth – 3)
10 – 11 a.m. | Redstart Classroom
Included with membership/admission

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Wednesday, August 2
Sensational Babies
10 – 11 a.m. | Redstart Classroom
Included with membership/admission

Sunday, August 6
Cooking with the Tinsleys: Homestead Dinner
5 – 8 p.m. | Living History Farm’s Tinsley House
$75 per person | Registration Required
In the 1890s, a diet for farmers like the Tinsley family might include meat, eggs, cheese, butter, bread, vegetables, jellies and other preserves, pie, milk, coffee, and tea. In this class, you will prepare and enjoy a full homestead meal composed of locally sourced ingredients with chef Cory Bruder. Sign up with a friend! This class will involve cooking in small groups. The class will also include a spirited tour of the Tinsley house and gardens with Living History Manager Peter Mousseau.

Wednesday, August 9
Sensational Babies
10 – 11 a.m. | Redstart Classroom
Included with membership/admission

Wednesday, August 16
Sensational Babies
10 – 11 a.m. | Redstart Classroom
Included with membership/admission

Tuesday, August 22
MOR Adult Exploration Series: Birds and Brews
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Wednesday, August 23
Sensational Babies
10 – 11 a.m. | Redstart Classroom
Included with membership/admission

Wednesday, August 30
Sensational Babies
10 – 11 a.m. | Redstart Classroom
Included with membership/admission

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Thursday, July 20
Hops & History: Brewing in Montana
5:30 p.m. | Living History Farm | $35/person
Register at museumoftherockies.org/brews

Back by popular demand, this Hops & History event will support educational programming at MOR’s Living History Farm, by pairing historical talks with beer tastings from local breweries. Listen to live music while you enjoy small plate dishes and brews. Enjoy a great summer evening while learning about the history of brewing in Montana with short talks by museum curators, educators, and brewery representatives.

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