Art Under the Walnut Tree

Liberty Hyde Bailey Museum
For children ages 5-12 and their parents
2023 Summer Schedule

On Your Own Time - but before June 3 Rocking It! Part One. Go to Deer Lick or Pilgrim Haven and find a smooth flat rock at least 3” across and not thicker than 2” thick. This should be suitable for rock painting.

Saturday, June 3rd, 1:00 pm Rocking It! Part Two: Bring your rock(s) and go to the LHBM backyard under the walnut tree. Decide on your idea for your rock painting (guidance provided) and utilize the supplies (newspapers, idea sheets, brushes, paint, topcoat spray) provided to paint your rock.

On Your Own Time - but before June 10 Driftwood Wind Chime. Part One: Go to one of South Haven’s many public beaches and locate 3-5 pieces of driftwood. Take them home and wash them off and dry them off.

Saturday, June 10th, 1:00 Driftwood Wind Chime Part Two: Bring your driftwood pieces and go to the LHBM backyard under the walnut tree. Use the materials provided (screw eyes, fish line, scissors, glue, drill, hot glue guns) to create a mobile wind chime.

Sunday June 25th, 1:00-2:30 Miniature Nature Scene. Meet under the LHBM walnut tree and pick up your magnifying glass. Scour the backwoods and locate two different kinds of moss, two seedling sprouts of any plant, and two small leaves. Meet back at the worktables under the tree. Examine the artwork of Sally Middleton and Lisa Ericson. Create your own nature close up from your found objects. Additional supplies included (newspaper, brushes, watercolor, wc paper, water, cups, etc).

On Your Own Time - but before July 9 Big Leaf Painting. Part One: Wherever you can locate a couple of big leaves (your yard, a forest, the LHBM backwoods, a neighbor) gather them and press them flat inside of a magazine or large book. Give it a week to dry out (plan ahead of this workshop date).

Sunday, July 9th, 1:00- 2:30 Big Leaf Painting Part Two: Bring your dried leaves and meet under the walnut tree in the backyard of the LHBM. Watch the demonstration to learn how to paint your tree or flower directly on your leaf. Supplies provided (acrylic paint, water, newspapers, glue gun).

Tuesday, July 11th, 1:00-2:30 Miniature Diorama Nature Scene in a Box. Find a shoebox, cereal box, gift box, etc. Cut one face side completely off so it is 5 sided. Bring that with you and meet under the walnut tree in the backyard of the LHBM. Scour and collect the backwoods for small leaves, moss, sticks, dirt, tiny plants, and other found objects provided. Supplies for construction included (glue guns, glue sticks, scissors, extra boxes, etc.)

Tuesday, August 1st, 1:00-2:30 Tree Identification Worksheet. Meet under the LHBM walnut tree. Pick up resource sheets and pencils. Follow the backwoods trail and match each tree to the worksheet. Draw the characteristics of your favorite tree and color it in. Learn how to draw different kinds of wood texture. Supplies provided (colored pencils, paper, resource sheets).

Free! Sign up for one or all by calling the museum at 269-637-3251 or email info@libertyhydebailey.org

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