



EXPLORING WITH KIDS

MUSEUM INFO + ACTIVITIES

CUMMER
MUSEUM

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TIPS FOR VISITING THE MUSEUM WITH CHILDREN

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Visit just a few galleries on each visit, rather than trying to see the whole Museum in one trip.

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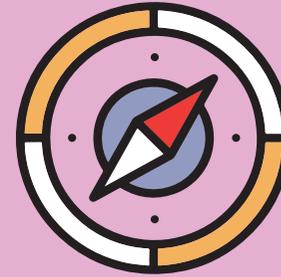
Stop to look at pieces that depict places the child has visited or things they like to do.

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Follow the child's lead. If something catches their eye, they will be more engaged.

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If your child is feeling closed in, try visiting the gardens. The fresh air may help you both feel more at ease.



HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

This guide is designed to help children and families enjoy and interact with art in a meaningful way. By using the activity ideas and resources in this guide, you can watch the Museum come to life through their eyes. We encourage you to visit not only the permanent collection with this guide, but also the gardens and special exhibitions.



ART CONNECTIONS: ALL AGES

Art Connections is the Cummer Museum's interactive center, where children and adults alike explore art through play and discovery. Highlights include a timeline of artistic milestones, a miniature gallery experience, a digital self-portrait station, and custom works accompanied by videos.

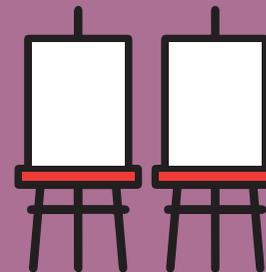
Visit the Museum again and again. Children 5 and under are always FREE.

Florida Blue Free Tuesdays

Admission is FREE for everyone each Tuesday evening from 4 to 9 p.m.

Weaver First Saturday Free For All

Admission is FREE for everyone the first Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



JOIN US

Art for Tots

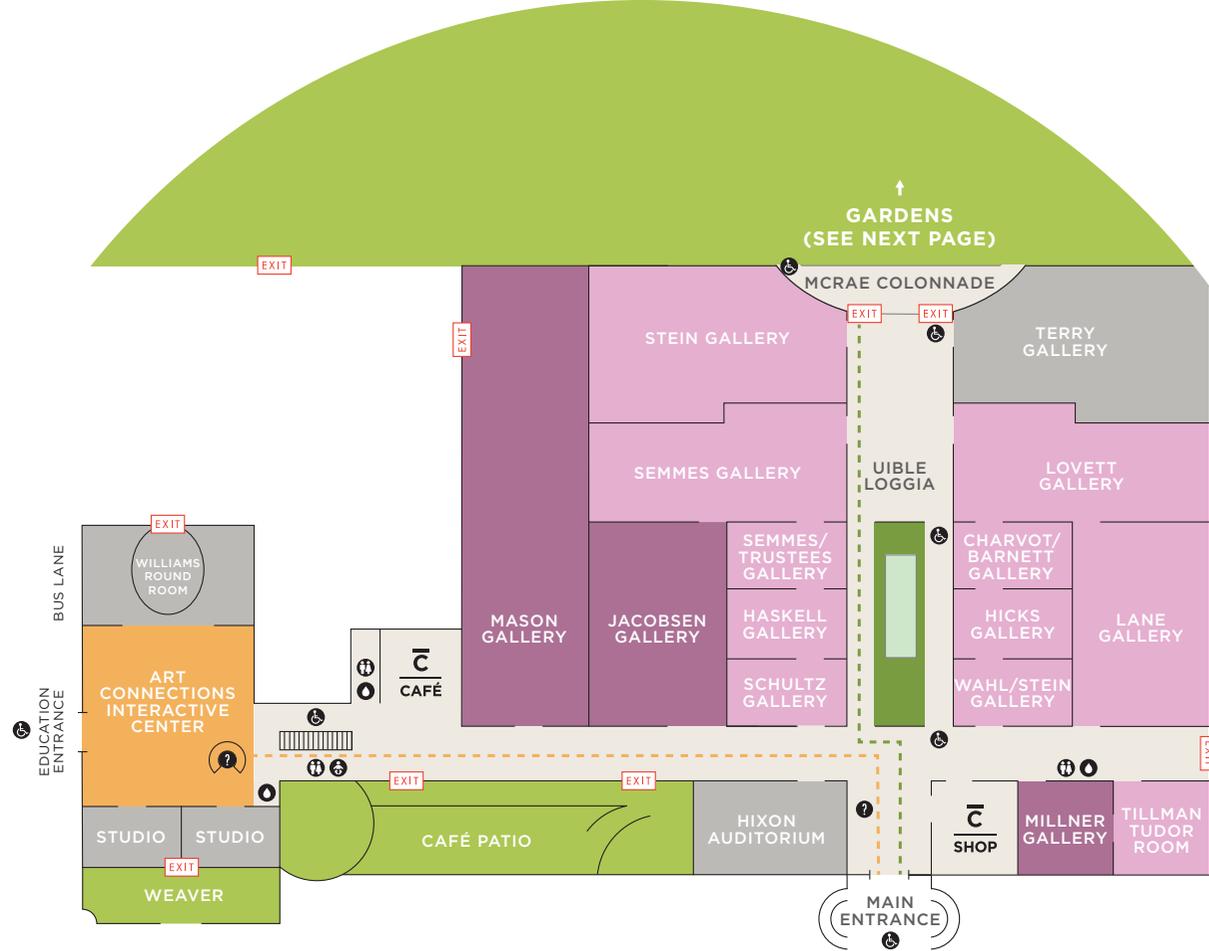
This monthly class is for children ages 2 and 3 and an accompanying adult. Under the direction of an early childhood educator, you and your little one will visit the gardens and galleries to view a work of art. By sharing stories, listening to music, and engaging in hands-on activities, the art is brought to life for small children. The experience is completed with a visit to the art studio to create a unique piece of art.

Art for Two

Make art with your little one and enjoy gallery and garden visits on the second Saturday of each month. Classes include visits to the gardens and galleries for exploration with their instructor and a hands-on, art-making activity in the studio. Open to children ages 4 and 5 and their favorite adult.

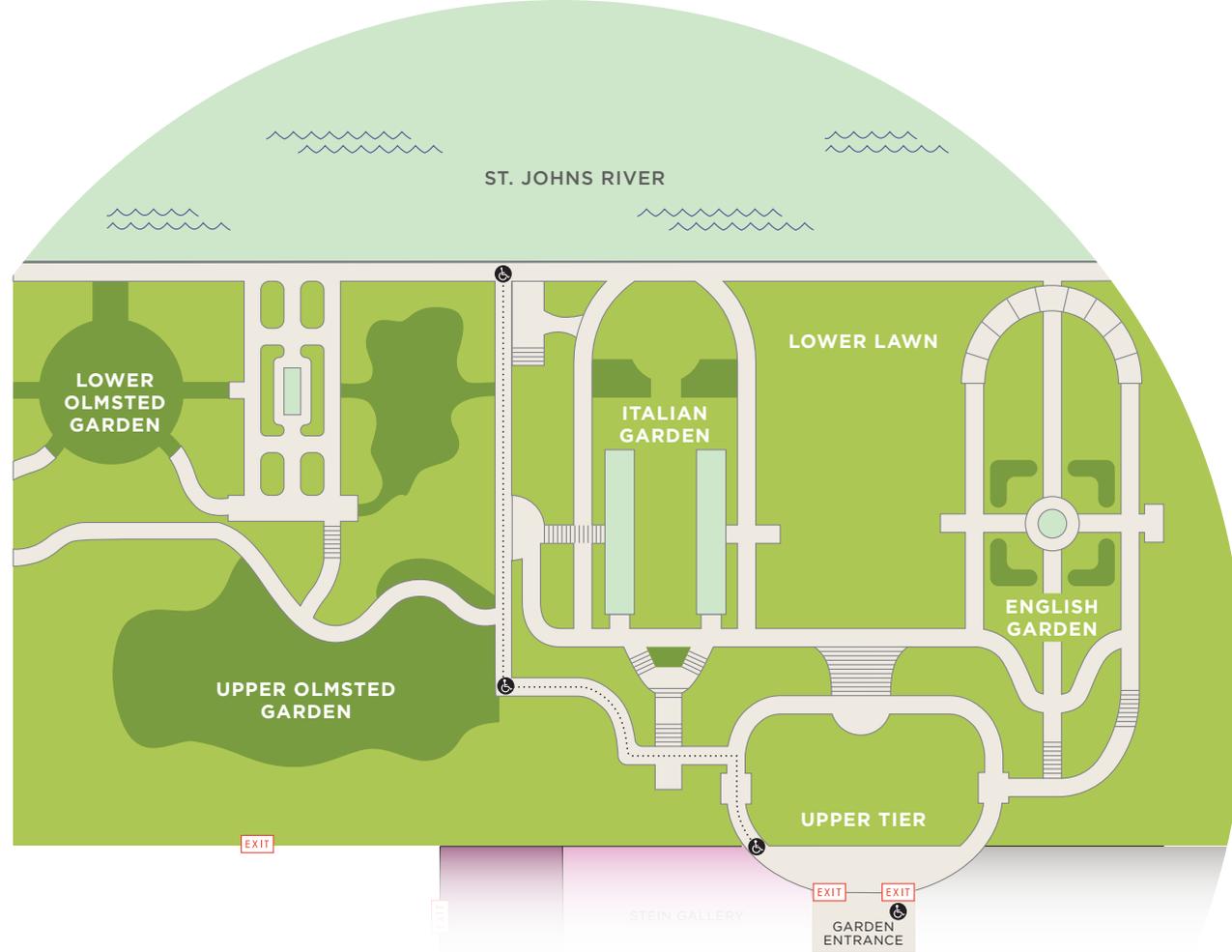
Art Adventures

Join us on the third Saturday of each month for studio classes. Students will study a topic in the gardens or the galleries with a Museum educator and create their own work of art. Projects will be completed within one class period. Open to children ages 6 through 12.



GALLERY LISTING

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| Schultz Ancient Art | Hicks Late 18th- and Early 19th-Century American Art |
| Haskell Medieval and Renaissance Art | Wahl/Stein 19th-Century American Art |
| Semmes Foundation/Trustees Renaissance Art | Lane Early 20th-Century Art |
| Semmes 17th-Century European Baroque Art | Millner Special Exhibition |
| Stein Mid to Late 20th-Century Art | Tillman Tudor Room Cummer Family Parlor |
| Terry Special Events Space | Jacobsen Special Exhibition |
| Lovett 18th-Century Art and Meissen Porcelain | Mason Special Exhibition |
| Charvot/Barnett Late 19th-Century European Art | Weaver Community Sculpture Garden & Plaza |



MAP KEY

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| Information Desk | Art Connections | Stairs |
| Accessible | Permanent Galleries | Emergency Exit |
| Restrooms | Special Exhibitions | To Art Connections |
| Changing Station | Programming Spaces | To Gardens |
| Water Fountain | Garden | |
| | Water | |



CHECK OUT A FAMILY BACKPACK

Check out a Family Backpack from the Art Connections desk (geared to young children and families). Help children discover the meaning, mood, and elements of art while viewing the collection using materials and activities created for our youngest visitors. Check out a backpack in the following themes:

- Animals
- Color Splash
- Gardens
- My Family

ART



Find a painting that tells a story. As you look at the painting, talk about what you think might happen next.



Look for a work of art that shows a place you would like to visit and pretend to be there. What would you be doing while you were there?



Look for a sculpture. Pretend to be another sculpture doing something similar.



Find a painting that looks like the artist painted it while listening to a fast song. Identify the shapes, lines, and colors you see. Now move your body in the direction of the lines in the painting.



Using an art box from the Create Cart, draw or write a story about a piece of art that inspires you.



Look for a portrait. Pretend to be inside of the portrait and talk about what you would see, hear, taste, smell, and feel if you were there.

LET'S
EXPLORE!

LET'S TAKE IT HOME!



Think about your trip to the museum. Talk about what you enjoyed. Create a picture about your trip.



As you read a story or watch a television show, pause to predict what might happen next.



Next time you are outside, pretend to be a statue enjoying nature.



Listen to some music. Think about how the music makes you want to move your body. Would you dance fast or slow? Smooth or jumpy?



When it is time to slow down, check in with your senses. What do you hear, see, taste, smell, or feel in this moment?

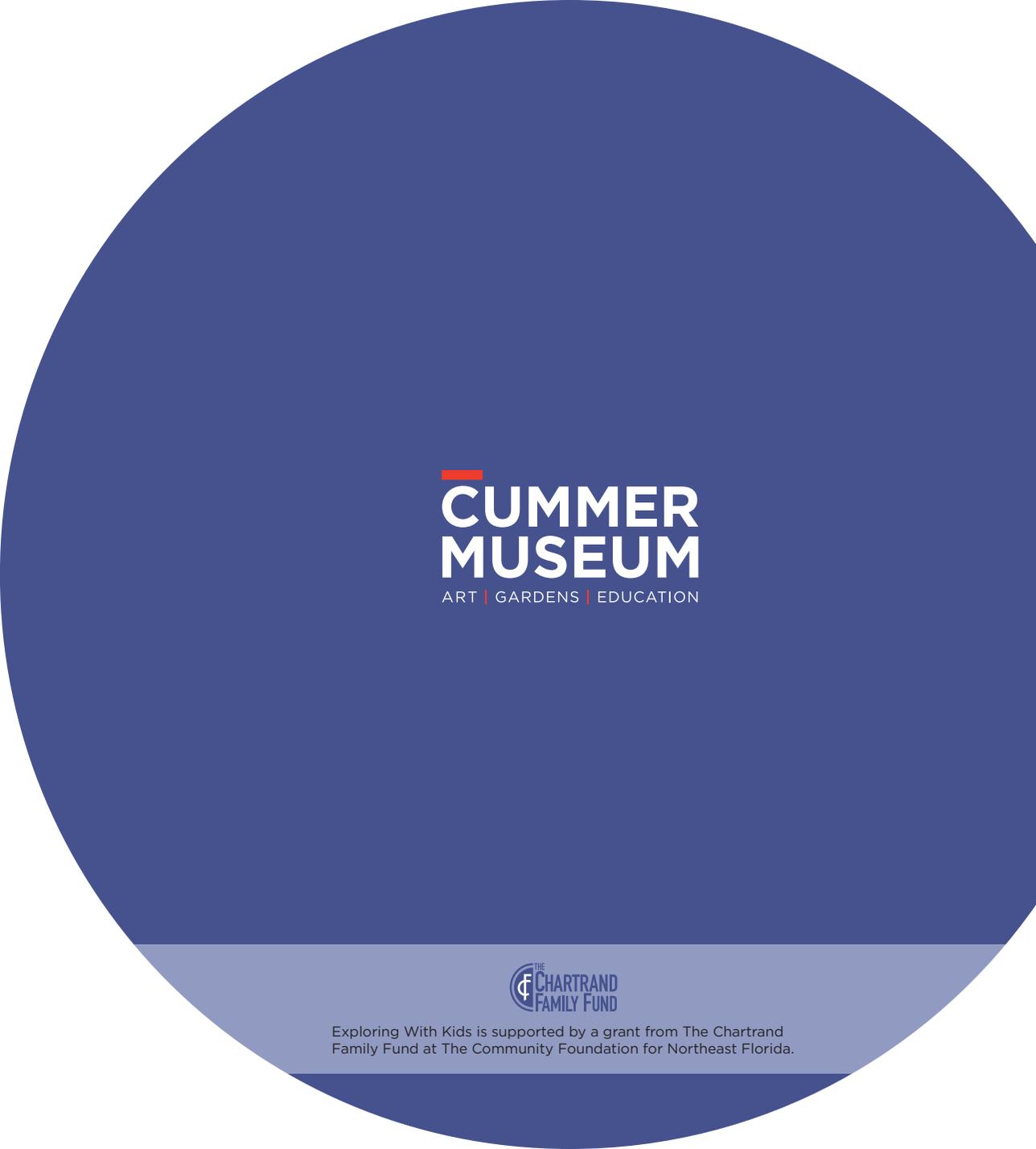


Think about your favorite thing to do at home. Create an art piece inspired by that favorite thing.



CREATE CART

Be sure to visit the Create Cart located in the Uible Loggia. This cart has boxes that contain a clipboard with paper, a box with colored pencils, and a pencil sharpener. Feel free to borrow an art box from the cart and use the materials to create your own masterpiece during your visit. Boxes may be used throughout the galleries and gardens. Remember to use the clipboards provided, and please return the box when you are finished with your artwork!



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