Guided School Tours

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



DO YOU HAVE MATERIALS TO HELP ME PREPARE MY STUDENTS FOR OUR VISIT?

Resource packets are available at: www.cummermuseum.org/visit/educat ion/school-tours#teacher-resources and are a great way to prepare for your Museum experience. The packets include an overview of what you and your students will experience while touring the Museum as well as content standards and relevant vocabulary addressed during your tour. Pre- and post-visit activities are also included for you to complete before and after your guided tour.

WHAT TIME IS MY TOUR AND WHAT TIME SHOULD I ARRIVE?

Tours are scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. and last 60 minutes. We advise that groups arrive 10-15 minutes before your scheduled tour to allow time for check-in. For virtual tours, we recommend you access the platform five minutes before tours are scheduled to begin.

If your group is running late, we will need to shorten your tour to fit within the time allotted. If you need to leave earlier than your scheduled time, please let us know so as soon as possible so that we may adjust your experience for optimal results.

Your tour time and date will be in your confirmation email. If any information

changes on your end prior to the tour, such as adjustment of participation numbers, please contact schooltours@cummermuseum.org immediately.

WILL I NEED TO DIVIDE MY CLASS OR GROUP?

Guided in-person tours:

Classes and groups will be split into groups of no more than 15 students in each touring group. The classes and groups will be split the following way:

15 students or less = 1 touring group 16-30 students = 2 touring groups 31-45 students = 3 touring groups 46-60 students = 4 touring groups

Guided virtual tours:

Every virtual tour is for one classroom or homeroom group. No need to split into smaller groups.

ARE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE?

Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, the Museum has funds available to provide free tours and transportation for Title I and select schools and community organizations in Duval and surrounding counties. Please email

schooltours@cummermuseum.org to learn more about eligibility and how to reserve a sponsored tour.

WHEN AND WHERE DO I PAY FOR MY TOUR?

Your group can choose to pay for your tour at the time of check-in (credit card, cash, or check) or be invoiced after the tour.

WILL MY CLASS NEED TO WEAR FACIAL COVERINGS WHILE AT THE MUSEUM?

In consideration of the most recent CDC announcement, masks are required inside the Museum, when not eating or drinking.

WHERE DO I UNLOAD MY STUDENTS AND WHERE DO I PARK?

Buses, vans, and cars can drop children off at the north end of the Museum at the Education entrance under the grey awning. After unloading, cars and passenger vans can park in the main Museum parking lot on Riverside Avenue. The Museum does not have dedicated, onsite parking for buses. Buses can park in the public parking lot under the Fuller Warren Bridge or on nearby streets.

DOES THE MUSEUM HAVE A PICNIC AREA?

The Museum does not have picnic or lunch facilities; however, two parks

are located nearby. Riverside Park is located on the corner of Margaret and Park Streets and has picnic tables and a playground. Memorial Park is on Riverside Avenue about a half-mile south of the Museum and is on the river. Neither park has public restrooms. An amphitheater-style space is available under the Fuller Warren Bridge, located within walking distance north of the Museum.

CAN I TAKE MY STUDENTS TO THE CUMMER SHOP?

Students are welcome at the Cummer Shop and must be accompanied by teachers or chaperones. A visit to the Shop is not included in the 60 minutes allotted for your tour, so please plan accordingly.

CAN I STAY IN THE MUSEUM ONCE MY TOUR IS FINISHED?

School groups are welcome to stay in the Museum and visit any of the galleries, gardens, or Art Connections. As other school groups may be in the Museum, we do ask that you please respect the spaces that are needed for those students and yield to other visiting groups.

Still have questions? Email schooltours@cummermuseum.org.