



# Bay Area Discovery Museum

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**HOURS**  
Tues-Fri, 9am-4pm  
Sat-Sun, 10am-5pm

**ADMISSION**  
\$8 children (1-17)  
\$10 adults  
\$8 seniors (62+)  
Free under 1 & members

# NEWS

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## \*\*Events for Children & Families January, February, March 2010\*\*

### \*\*Museum Schedule Update\*\*

Museum Closed Early: New Year's Eve, Thursday, December 31 at 2 p.m.

Museum Closed: New Year's Day, Friday, January 1

Noon Year's Eve

December 31

9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Join us for our first annual count down to New Year's. Help us celebrate as the clock strikes 12 noon. Create your own noisemakers and party hats as the ball drops. Drop-in, no RSVP required.

### \*\*Cultural Festivals\*\*

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Monday, January 18

9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Add your portrait to our Freedom Bus in the Art Studio, and purchase tickets to hear a tribute performance by the a cappella ensemble SoVoSó. Then step into our family reading area to learn more about Dr. King's life and the values he advocated. Quotes from his writing and speeches will be mounted throughout the Museum and a flyer at the front desk will help your family think about how to celebrate this important holiday.

Chinese New Year Festival

Year of the Tiger

Monday, February 15 (President's Day)

9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Gung hay fat choy! Welcome the Year of the Tiger by joining us for the Museum's annual celebration of Chinese New Year. Learn more about your Chinese zodiac sign or try your hand at calligraphy. Decorate a lucky red envelope in the Art Studio. Make your own traditional sweet pastry and we'll cook it for you. Purchase a ticket to see a vibrant performance by the China Dance School and Theatre and don't miss the outdoor demonstrations by the spectacular lion dancers of the Dragon Horse Lion Dance Team and the Marin Chinese Cultural Group.

### \*\*Performances\*\*

**March Performances**

Museum favorites - back by popular demand!

Ages 1 & up

Members \$5; General Child \$10; General Adult \$12 (includes Museum admission)

Register online.

Asheba

Saturday, March 6

11 a.m.

Putumayo recording artist Asheba returns with a rollicking, rhythmic, joyful and interactive version of your favorite kid's songs. This singer, songwriter and storyteller will have you

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dancing and jumping to the hippest children's music in the Bay Area. His show is spiced with Caribbean and World beats, inspired by his own childhood on the island of Trinidad. [www.asheba.net](http://www.asheba.net)

Culann's Hounds  
Saturday, March 13  
11 a.m.

Get a jump on St. Paddy's day with Culann's Hounds. Combining vocal harmonies with melodies on fiddle, mandolin, guitar, accordion and bodhran, they produce an eclectic blend of modern and traditional Irish music. Join them for a high energy show with plenty of opportunity for singing, dancing a jig and perhaps some howling with the Hounds. [www.sfhounds.com](http://www.sfhounds.com)

Frances England & Friends  
Saturday, March 21  
11 a.m.

Frances England's original compositions pass the sing-along-in-the-car test. Blending folk and indie influences, her songs delight both kids and their grownups. Sing along with her quirky songs of love, happiness and blueberry pancakes. Read glowing reviews of her award winning album at [www.francesengland.com](http://www.francesengland.com).

The Train Singer  
Saturday, March 27  
11 a.m.

Calling train fans of all ages. Pull on your engineer's hat and join the Train Singer on favorites like "Casey Jones" and "City of New Orleans." Greg Schindel sings both traditional and original train songs, accompanying himself on his Martin guitar, and recreates the sounds of steam trains with his pocketful of harmonicas. <http://trainsinger.com>

### **Weekday Programs**

#### **Bangin' Twangin' & Shakin' with Miss Kitty**

Wednesdays & Thursdays  
January 6 – March 31  
10 & 11 a.m.

Ages 6 months to 5 years

Members \$5; General \$6

Adults free with child. Drop in, no registration required.

Clap, jump, wiggle and sing to the delightful music of Miss Kitty! Program lasts 30 minutes.

#### **Music Together®**

Drum Collection

10-week series

Tuesday, January 5 – March 16

Friday, January 8 – March 19

9:15, 10:15 & 11:15 a.m.

No classes Tuesday, February 16 or Friday, February 19

Ages 6 months – 4 years with caregiver

Members: \$200 first child

General: \$245 first child, includes Museum admission

Additional sibling: \$180

Pre-registration required.

Register online.

Join instructor Stacy Walden for Music Together®, an internationally recognized approach to early childhood music development. Tuition includes a beautifully illustrated songbook and two-CD set, along with a parent education guide. Sessions last 45 minutes.

### **Family Classes**

We now offer ongoing class series for 2 and 3-year-olds and their caregivers at the Museum. These classes are similar in structure to an organized playgroup, and highlight the open ended, creative play children love when they visit. Adults will enjoy an opportunity to meet other caregivers in a wonderful environment for children to develop social skills. Together with Heather Posner, Public Programs Manager, and other Museum staff, children and adults will explore, discover and create while focused on a fun theme. Space is limited to 10 children.

Members \$45; General \$60  
(includes admission to the Museum for one adult and one child)  
\$20 each additional child

#### **NEW! Creative Critters**

Fridays January 16, 23, 30  
10 – 11 a.m.

Children ages 2 and 3 and caregivers

In celebration of all things furry, clawed and winged, we'll explore the animal inhabitants of Fort Baker and invent our own creatures through art and make believe.

#### **Get Ready to Get Messy**

Thursdays, March 5, 12, 19  
10 – 11 a.m.

Children ages 18 months - 3 years old

Get up to your elbows in mess while we take care of the clean-up! Does your toddler love to squish, squeeze and smash? Give them the opportunity to unleash their inner artist in this messy class series!

### **\*\*About the Bay Area Discovery Museum\*\***

The Bay Area Discovery Museum is a one-of-a-kind indoor and outdoor facility at the foot of the Golden Gate Bridge, serving over 300,000 visitors per year on its 7.5 acre Sausalito campus. The Museum is recognized as the leading children's museum dedicated to developing childhood creativity, nurturing future generations of creative thinkers and innovators. With this emphasis on creativity through play, we encourage children ages 6 months to 8 years to develop into curious, creative, adventurous lifelong learners and explorers.

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