



# Field Family Nights Info Packet

Calling all young scientists ready for their next big adventure! Grab your explorer gear and prepare for a museum visit...after hours. At Field Family Nights, families with children ages 2-12 can see the museum come to life in an exclusive late-night experience for young learners.

Event guests will enjoy after-hours access to the museum's exhibitions (including select ticketed experiences), discover through hands-on science activities, engage in storytelling and performances, meet Field Museum scientists, and more!

Spark curiosity, explore new ideas, and make discoveries the whole family can enjoy in this exclusive after hours experience! Get your tickets for the Field Museum's Field Family Night event below.

Friday, October 13, 2023 | Field Family Night: Boo with SUE

*The 2024 schedule is now available online!*

Field Family Nights begin at 5:30 pm and end at 9:30 pm.

**Please Note:** Parking for Field Family Nights will now be purchased directly through Soldier Field - North Garage. We have arranged for a special discounted rate of \$30 per car for this overnight event.

After purchasing your Field Family Night tickets you will be sent a link to purchase parking in advance at this discounted rate. Please select the date of your Field Family Night event. Rates are subject to change for parking that is purchased upon your arrival on the day of your event.

Soldier Field - North Garage is now cashless, and only accepts credit card, apple pay, or google pay.

## **COVID Policy**

All attendees must read and agree to adhere to our COVID-19 Attendance Policy to attend a 2023 Field Family Night event. If these policies change, ticket holders will be informed.

**If you purchase a Tour ticket, masks are still required for participants when behind the scenes. Please bring a mask for each participant to wear.**

**If you feel sick, stay home** and email us. We may be able to exchange your tickets for another date. Do not attend an event if:

- You have a body temperature over 100 degrees Fahrenheit or used a fever reducer in the previous 24 hours to treat a body temperature over 100 degrees Fahrenheit.
- You have a new cough and/or a new or worsening sore throat that you cannot attribute to another health condition.
- You have a shortness of breath that you cannot attribute to another health condition.
- You have recently developed a complete loss of smell or taste.

## **Children and Chaperones**

- We require at least one chaperone for every three children, and no more than three adults per child in your group.
- Chaperones must be over 21.
- Chaperones are not allowed to drop off their children at the entrance and leave them unsupervised while parking.

## **Ticket Information**

All tickets include participation in this late-night event, a discounted parking voucher, and admission to select ticketed exhibits.

<b>Ticket type</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Non-member</b>
Standard	\$27	\$30
Tour	\$50	\$55

Tickets may sell out fast. We encourage you to buy your tickets as soon as possible. All Standard and Tour tickets must be purchased online at <https://www.fieldmuseum.org/our-events/field-family-nights/boo-with-sue-10-13-2023>

After purchasing your tickets, you will receive a receipt confirming your order from the ticketing system. No physical tickets will be issued, but we'll email you a reminder in the week leading up to the event.

## **Upgrades**

If you'd like to upgrade above your Standard ticket, you can purchase:

- *Tour tickets* - Secure access to a behind-the-scenes tour with one of our scientists!
  - Tours start at 6:30 pm near the South Entrance and last 45 minutes.
  - These tours are best for children ages 6–12 but open to everyone, and you'll always see something fun, like fossils, bird specimens, or fish collections!
  - Tickets are for families of fewer than 15 people. Space is limited.
  - Face masks must be worn for all behind-the-scenes tours

Please note: Tour upgrades are not available at the event and need to be made in advance. There are a limited number of tour tickets available and sell out fast!

## **Ticket Exchanges**

Ticket exchanges are currently not possible, and all sales are final. This is subject to change once more dates are added to the schedule.

If you're experiencing any symptoms outlined in our COVID Attendance Policy, please DO NOT ATTEND THE EVENT. Please contact us at [familynights@fieldmuseum.org](mailto:familynights@fieldmuseum.org) or call 312.665.7525 and we will coordinate an exchange for another date if they are available and space allows. Capacities are capped for Tours and behind the scenes experiences. All sales are final.

### **What to Bring:**

- Comfortable clothing (temperatures may vary from hall to hall) and layers of clothing
- Gym shoes
- Change and small bills for vending machines (Museum staff cannot make change).
- Credit and debit cards may also be used on most vending machines.

### **What NOT to Bring:**

- Outside food/drink

### **Sample Schedule** - Subject to change before each event

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Location</b>
5:30–7:00 pm	Check-in	South Entrance
5:30–8:30 pm	Science Showcase	Stanley Field Hall
6:30 pm	Guests with Tour Tickets attend the behind-the-scenes tour	Meet near South Entrance
8:00 pm	Science Hub closes	Grainger Science Hub
8:30 pm	Storytime	James Simpson Theatre
9:00 pm	PlayLab closes	Crown Family PlayLab
9:30 pm	Event Concludes	

## **Getting to the Field Museum**

Visit <https://www.fieldmuseum.org/directions-parking> to access the directions and parking information from anywhere.

### **Public transportation:**

Chicago's convenient public transit offerings are an environmentally friendly way to get to the Field Museum every day of the year. For schedule updates, maps, information on Ventra fare cards, and other travel information, visit the CTA website: [transitchicago.com](http://transitchicago.com).

**By CTA train:** The closest CTA train stop to the Field Museum is Roosevelt. Servicing the Red, Orange, and Green lines, the Roosevelt stop also offers a connection to the #146 bus (at State and Roosevelt), which takes riders directly to Museum Campus.

**By CTA bus:** Use the [CTA's Bus Tracker](#) for updated arrival times. The #146 (Inner Drive/Michigan Express/Museum Campus) bus line services Museum Campus

**By Metra:** The closest Metra stop to the Field Museum is the Metra Electric District station at Museum Campus/11th Street. Visit [Metra's website](#) for information about other nearby stations, schedules, tickets, and other travel information.

**By car:** Driving is a convenient way to access Museum Campus, especially if you're traveling with the whole family!

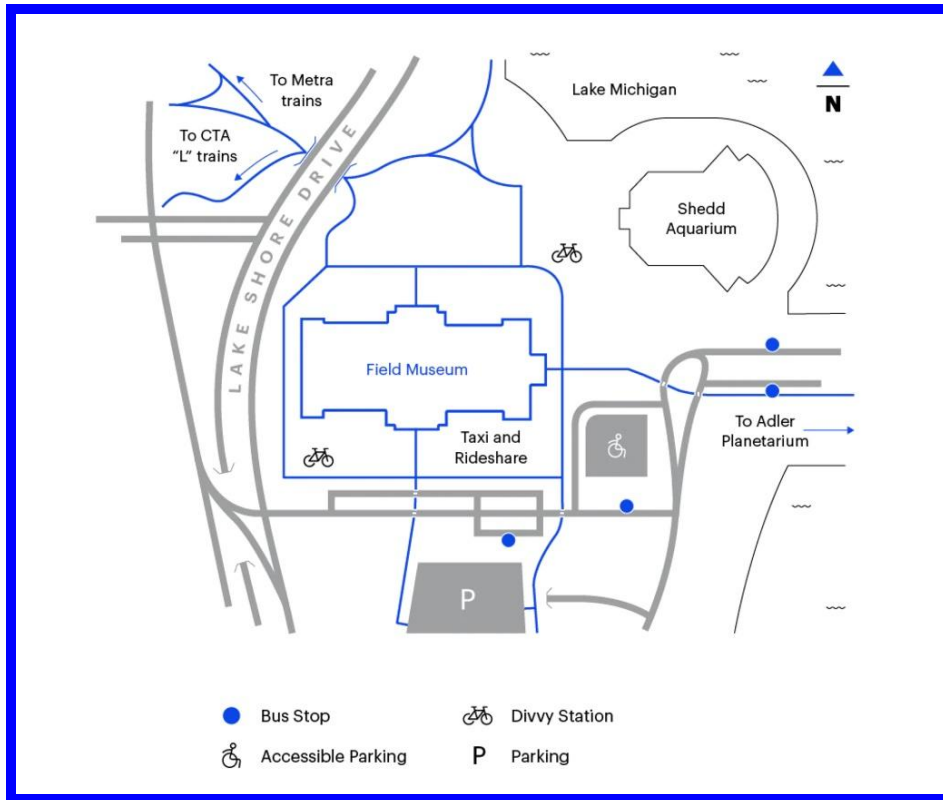
The easiest route to Museum Campus is via the 18th street and Lake Shore Drive entrance, immediately south of Soldier Field. Exit Lake Shore Drive onto eastbound 18th Street and follow 18th Street/Museum Campus Drive east of the stadium and north to Museum Campus.

## **Parking**

Parking in the Soldier Field-North Garage is available beginning at 5:00 pm. You can access this garage off 18<sup>th</sup> street. Only the North Garage is available for event guests. We cannot validate parking tickets from the East Lot.

Parking for Field Family Nights will now be purchased on the night of your event directly through Soldier Field - North Garage and paid as you exit. We have arranged for a special discounted rate of \$30 per car for this event.

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## **Arrival and Check-In**

Please plan to arrive between 5:30 and 6:15 pm. This will give you enough time to check in and begin exploring the museum’s activities and exhibits. Guests must enter through the South Entrance.

Upon arrival, guests should go to the general admission line to check in and pick up a copy of the schedule and maps for the night. If you purchased Tour tickets, you’ll also receive a sticker that indicates which tour you will attend.

If you arrive late, you can enter through the South Entrance until 8:00 pm. **No one is admitted to the museum after 8:00 pm.**

## **Accessibility**

We want everyone to have a great time at the museum. If you require accommodations, such as an accessible parking space or entry through our accessible entrance, please contact us at 312.665.7525 or email [familynights@fieldmuseum.org](mailto:familynights@fieldmuseum.org) at least one week before your event.

If you or your child require additional support, don’t hesitate to contact us. You can also download our *Field For All* app in advance of your visit to get an overview of the museum and make your visit more enjoyable. The app is available both on the Apple Store and the Google Play Store.

## **Food**

We recommend eating dinner before you arrive. Please only eat in designated eating areas on the Ground Level of the Museum, and never in the exhibitions, in order to prevent pest infestations in our collections. **Outside food is not allowed.**

Vending machines are available on the museum's ground floor. Please plan on bringing small bills, as Museum staff cannot make change. Credit and debit cards may also be used on most vending machines.

## **Safety**

- Only eat in designated areas and never in our exhibits.
- Please keep your shoes on at all times, and do not wear shoes with wheels.
- Walk—don't run—through the museum.
- Children and their chaperones must stay together at all times.
- Respect fellow guests when exploring exhibitions.

The Field Museum reserves the right to remove guests without a refund from the Museum during Field Family Night events. Behavior that would merit removal includes, but is not limited to:

- Belligerence to a staff person or other guest
- Fighting
- Refusal to adhere to Museum regulations
- Possession or consumption of alcohol or illegal substances.

## **Emergency Procedures**

Familiarize yourself with the stairwells along the perimeter of the museum on all floors. In case of an emergency, exit the museum via these stairwells. Meet at the entrance to the Soldier Field North Garage and await further instructions.

Never call 911 from within the museum. Always contact our security and staff to ensure the fastest response. Emergency responders do not know the museum layout, but we do. Just look for an adult wearing a Field Family Night t-shirt with the word 'STAFF' on the back to find us!

## **Security**

The Field Museum Protection Services department has staff members inside the building 24 hours a day. You can find a Protections Services Officer and other staff in Stanley Field Hall.

We highly recommend keeping your valuables with you at all times. The Field Museum is not responsible for any lost or stolen items.

## **Merchandise**

You can purchase merchandise in one or more of our stores for a limited time on the night of the event. These stores may change from event to event, so be sure to check your map the night of the event to see where you can purchase merchandise.

You also have the opportunity to pre-order items from the store through our website. When you place your order, you'll have the option to pick it up or have the materials shipped to you. You can contact the stores at 312.665.7686 or [stores@fieldmuseum.org](mailto:stores@fieldmuseum.org).

## **Departure**

Field Family Nights end promptly at 9:30 pm. If you need to leave before 9:30 pm, check with our staff or Protection Services to see which doors are available to exit. Once you exit, re-entry will not be permitted.