FORT WORTH MUSEUM
SCIENCE AND HISTORY

LOOK WHAT'S COMING AT YOU THIS MONTH AT THE MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND HISTORY!

Spring Break is just around the corner! We're ready for you with fabulous, interactive exhibits, eye-popping IMAX films, new planetarium shows, and plenty of surprises in Innovation Studios. Make us your spring destination!

JUST ANNOUNCED!

ENTER THE WORLD OF *AVATAR* LIKE NEVER BEFORE IN THE OMNI THEATER IMAX DOME!

Opens March 12

Experience a world beyond imagination on the biggest screen in the Southwest. The Hollywood blockbuster from James Cameron will show in 2D on the Omni's domed screen every evening, beginning March 12 through April 22. *Avatar* takes you to a spectacular world beyond imagination, where a reluctant hero embarks on an epic adventure, ultimately fighting to save the alien world he has learned to call home. Tickets for this extended-length special engagement film are $12 for adults and $10 for children (3-12) and seniors (60+). Museum members receive a $3 discount. Special matinee prices available on Monday and Tuesdays beginning March 22. Get your tickets online later this week.
Avatar is rated PG-13 for intense epic battle sequences and warfare, sensuality, language and some smoking.

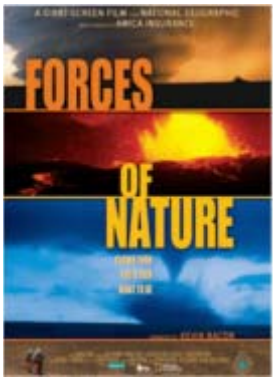
EXPERIENCE *SHARKS*, UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL!

Join Aris the Turtle, your friendly host, on an underwater voyage to discover the ultimate predator. Experience, giant-screen encounter with a multitude of shark species, including the Great White, Hammerhead, and Whale shark in ***Sharks***, now showing in the Omni Theater. Witness sharks as they really are - not wicked man-eating creatures, but wild, fascinating and endangered animals. Also showing this month: ***Animalopolis*** and ***Forces of Nature***. Tickets are $7 for adults and $6 for children (3-12) and seniors (60+). Members receive a $3 discount. Buy tickets in advance online or by phone at **817-255-9540**.

GET A CLUE. SOLVE THE CRIME. FOR HALF PRICE. COLLEGE NIGHT IN *CSI: THE EXPERIENCE* *6-9 p.m.*

Do you have what it takes to crack the case? Students, set the books down for an evening and come investigate *CSI: The Experience*, the blockbuster interactive exhibit created in collaboration with the hit TV series. Everyone with a valid college ID gets in for half price -- just $7 -- from 6 to 9 p.m. In addition to the exhibit being open exclusively for students, you'll get a chance to meet some of the real forensic scientists featured in the exhibit. Plus, enjoy the Museum's exhibit galleries on the upper floor: the Cattle Raisers Museum, the Fort Worth History Gallery, and the Native American Gallery. The new Noble Planetarium will be open all evening

SEE *FORCES OF NATURE*, HELP HAITI RELIEF EFFORTS



In the wake of the earthquake in Haiti, the Museum of Science and History will donate 50 cents for every paid ticket to ***Forces of Nature*** to the American Red Cross. ***Forces of Nature*** first opened in the Omni Theater in 2004. It captures some of nature's dramatic and terrifying events: the volcanic eruptions on the Caribbean island of Montserrat in 1995; a devastating earthquake that leveled the city of Izmit in northern Turkey in 1999; and tornadoes ripping across the North American Great Plains. The return of the film gives the Museum and its guests a great opportunity to help those affected by this real-world force of nature. Donations will be contributed monthly through May.

FALL/SPRING MUSEUM PRESCHOOL INFORMATION NOW ONLINE

Registration information for Fall 2010/Spring 2011 Museum Preschool is now **online**! Children must be 3, 4 or 5 years old by September 1, 2010 to be eligible. To receive a registration form by mail, send your name, mailing address and age or grade of your child to Museum School® or call 817-255-9333.

CELEBRATE ALL THINGS SOLAR DURING SUN-EARTH DAY

Saturday, March 20 - 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Calling all sun lovers! Join us as we celebrate our planet's relationship to the sun on Sun-Earth Day. Enjoy solar cooking demonstrations, safe solar viewing, investigations with sunlight, solar panel demonstrations, and more. A public dedication of the Museum's Green Mountain Energy solar array will kick off the event at 11 a.m. and will include special appearances by Dynamo and Green Mountain's mascot, Super Earth. All activities are free for members and are included with paid exhibit admission.

VISIT THE TEXAS SKY, EARTH AND BEYOND IN THE NOBLE PLANETARIUM

Thanks to two new, all-digital star balls within a 40-foot dome cover, you can view the Texas skies, take a trip around earth, and travel up to 13.7 billion light years away - without ever leaving your seat. Hop aboard and enjoy two NEW astronomical programs this month:

ONE WORLD, ONE SKY: BIG BIRD'S ADVENTURE -
Special Spring Break presentation March 13-21
Join Big Bird, Elmo and their friend, Hu Hu Zhu, as they introduce children to the night sky and very basic astronomy. Recommended for very young audiences (ages 3 to 7) and the very young at heart!

FRAGILE PLANET - Opens March 20
Earth is the only known haven for life ...that we know of. Come take the pulse of the Earth with us and explore the importance of the Moon. Are and providing free demos of its all-digital trip through the universe. Plus Shop Too! and the Stars Cafe will be open. Get your tickets at the door or by phone at **817-255-9540**.

Pi ARE SQUARE. NO, Pi ARE ROUND. AND FUN, TOO!

Pi Days and Einstein's Birthday - March 12-14

Any way you slice it, Pi Days will be loads of fun, March 12-14. We'll be celebrating the mathematical constant pi (3.1415926535897932) along with the birthday of the mathematical genius Albert Einstein with mind-blowing activities in Innovation Studios throughout the weekend. Beginning at 3:14 p.m. on Friday we'll be making pi tops, pi spinners, pi bracelets and other pi items throughout the weekend. On Saturday at 2 p.m. enjoy a pizza dough tossing demonstration and get free pizza pi bytes while they last! On Sunday, make an Albert Einstein birthday hat! All activities are included with paid exhibit admission and free for members.

EDUCATORS: EXPLORE THE WEST ... AND

there other possible "islands of life" in our universe? Let's explore newly-discovered exoplanets to see if other "habitable zones" exist.

BLACK HOLES: THE OTHER SIDE OF INFINITY - Ends March 19
There's a place from which nothing escapes, not even light, where time and space literally come to end. It's at this point, inside this fantastic riddle, that black holes exert their sway over the cosmos ... and our imaginations. Can you feel the pull?

TEXAS SKY TONIGHT.....LIVE! - Showing through 2010
Our staff cover the latest happenings in space, show you the current night sky, and teach you how to find the constellations and the planets visible during this time of year.

DON'T MISS *GEORGIA O'KEEFFE AND THE FARAWAY* AT THE NATIONAL COWGIRL MUSEUM

Experience ***Georgia O'Keeffe and the Faraway: Nature and Image***, a groundbreaking exhibition about one of the most famous artists of the 20th century, on display at the National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame. The 3,000-square-foot exhibit includes several of O'Keeffe's paintings on loan from museums and private collectors from around the country, some never before displayed in public. Admission to the exhibit and the National Cowgirl Museum is included with paid exhibit admission to the Museum of Science and History. Museum members receive half-price admission. For more information, visit the National Cowgirl Museum's Web site at **cowgirl.net**.

HISTORY COMES ALIVE AT CASA MAÑANA

Watch history come alive on stage as Casa Mañana presents a historically-accurate, musical portrayal of the siege of the Alamo. Don't miss your chance to see ***Alamo the Musical***, now through March 7 at Casa Mañana Theatre. Museum members receive $2.50 off each ticket (up to four per membership card). Call Casa Mañana at **817-332-2272** and use the code CROCKETT or visit the Casa Mañana Theatre box office, 3101 W Lancaster Ave, and present your Museum membership card.

JOIN TODAY BEFORE OUR GRAND RE-OPENING PRICES BECOME EXTINCT.

If you've been thinking about joining Fort Worth's newest home for innovation and learning, don't put it off any longer! If you're already a member, tell your friends about this soon-to-expire offer. Our special Grand Re-Opening membership prices will end on **Sunday, March 7, 2010**. The Basic 5 membership for a family of 5 is currently $85. MAX 5 membership, which includes a set number of Omni tickets and other benefits, is $185. For a list of all benefits and other membership levels, see our **Web site**. To join, visit any Museum ticket office, call the Membership Department at

MUCH MORE

Exhibits, combined Exhibit-Omni Theater, and Noble Planetarium school field trips are now available! Treat your students to a day exploring the Museum's new interactive exhibits, take a trip to the stars in the planetarium, or go big in the Omni IMAX Theater. Complement your social studies curriculum with ***Lewis and Clark: Great Journey West*** or a variety of other great films, all aligned with TEKS and TAKS. Or let us come to you through our Discovery Labs on Wheels, Astronomy on Wheels, and Distance Learning opportunities. Find complete program information in our **Spring 2010 School Program Planner online** or have one mailed to you. To book your field trip, call **817-255-9440.**

AT A GLANCE

PLANNING TIP:
Many Omni and Planetarium shows will sell out early during Spring Break, March 13-21. Save time and ensure access to the shows and times of your choice by ordering online or by phone prior to your visit. We look forward to seeing you here!

817-255-9404, or sign up **online**. Membership is a great way to support the Museum and our community and is a fantastic value for the family! Don't miss this opportunity to become a Charter member of the Museum of Science and History at discounted prices.

HAVE BIG FUN WITH LITTLE GYM
March 6, 10 am. - 1 p.m.

Our special traveling exhibit, ***Balancing Act***, is a great destination for learning about and improving your balancing skills. On Saturday, March 6, you can put some of those skills to the test with Little Gym, the local sponsor of the exhibit. Little Gym will be set up in the Museum's Oak Room from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. with a junior-sized balance beam, parallel bars, incline mats and other kid-friendly gymnastics equipment where kids can crab walk, tumble, monkey jump and practice their newly learned knowledge. The event is free and open to all guests 12 and younger when accompanied by a guardian. Come have fun with us!

STAR PARTIES ARE BACK!
Join Us March 27 for the First Star Party of 2010

Have you really looked at our moon lately? When was the last time you viewed the ever-changing ring system around Saturn? And just what is that bright object to the west at sunset? Join the Noble Planetarium staff and members of the Fort Worth Astronomical Society and find all the answers at the season's first Star Party on **Saturday, March 27**. You'll find plenty of telescopes for viewing and even more astronomy buffs to help you navigate your way. The best part is that the party is FREE! It all begins at dusk in the parking lot south of the Museum and goes until 10:30 p.m., weather permitting, of course. Note, parking is available in the lot south of Harley.

SEGWAY TOURS AVAILABLE

You can now schedule and purchase Segway tours of the Cultural District and Botanic Garden on Cowtown Segway through the Museum of Science and History. Tours depart from in front of the National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame twice a day, Friday through Sunday, and last approximately two hours. You'll travel to the Modern Art Museum, to the Botanic Garden, and all points in between on Gen2 Personal Transporter Segways. Cost is $59 per person, plus tax, and includes all instruction and equipment. (Riders must be 14 or older; some weight restrictions apply.) For tour times, rider requirements and more details, go **online** or call **817-255-9540**.

FEEDBACK

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COMING APRIL 1:
The Museum's Science and History Lecture Series continues with Sara Lawrence-Lightfoot, a leading author, educator and sociologist who will talk about "The Third Chapter: Looking Back and Giving Forward."

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