

Girl Scout Daisies

Museum Mystery: Girls will be introduced to museums and why they are an important part of the community. We will discover secrets all around the museum while playing games, going on an I-Spy, holding real artifacts, and creating craft projects to take home!

Native American Life: What was Native American life like 600 years ago in Wisconsin? Participants will examine historic artifacts, listen to Native American music, make and play several games, hear and act out traditional stories, and complete traditional craft projects.

Pioneer Life: All aboard the covered wagon headed to the wild west of Wisconsin! Girls will pack for the journey, build a new log home, perform several chores, try on traditional clothing, and create several pioneer toys!

Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors

Folk Arts: Girls will examine several forms of folk art from the museum's collection before creating their own artwork. Included will be Victorian era jewelry, Native American baskets and pottery, and tall tales from pioneer days.

Heritage Hunt: Discover the origins of Waukesha by examining objects and documents from the 1800s, processing wool and weaving on a loom, designing historic buildings, explore gadgets and gizmos, and hear about careers in the historic preservation field.

Inventions and Inquiry: Waukesha has a rich history of inventors, and now it is your turn! Girls will explore inventions, both normal and crazy, throughout history before creating several inventions of their own.

Museum Discovery: Girls will explore the museum field with hands-on projects in collections care, exhibit design and installation, and educational programs and events. Participants will also get a behind the scenes tour of the museum and will design their own museum.

Scheduling a Program

Fees: \$7 per participating child, adults free of charge.

Timing: Each program lasts approximately two hours. Programs can be scheduled between the hours of 8am and 7pm.

Dates Offered: Programs can be scheduled all year long, Tuesday—Saturday.

Number of Participants: Minimum group size is 5 participants, maximum group size is 30 participants.

To schedule your group, please call at least three weeks in advance of your desired program date. Please call **Kristen Hoeker, Director of Education and Programming, at (262) 521-2859, ext. 224** to schedule your visit or for more information.

General Information

The *Waukesha County Museum* is open to the general public from 10am—4:30pm, Tuesday—Saturday. The Research Center is open Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday from 10am—Noon and 12:30-4:30pm, and Thursday 12:30-4:30pm.

Museum Admission: \$6 Adults, \$5 Senior Citizens, \$3 Children (6-17), Children under 6 are free, and members are free. **Research Center:** \$5 per person, members are free.

Become a member of the museum and receive free admission to the museum and research center, along with program discounts, store discount, and much more! Visit our website at www.waukeshacountymuseum.org for more information.

Girl Scout Programs

at the Waukesha
County Museum



The Waukesha County Museum serves Waukesha County and beyond as an educational and cultural resource while preserving and sharing county history. The museum features exhibits on themes such as the Civil War, toys, technology and inventions, Native Americans, fur trading, pioneers, architecture, and much more!



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Girl Scout Brownies

Building Art: Use your artistic and engineering skills to construct buildings of all kinds! Participants will perform several experiments, view the historic buildings of Waukesha, and construct models of their own design.

Creative Composing: Girl Scouts will visit the museum's artwork before designing a painting of their own. Then we move to the Native American exhibit to compose a song and musical instruments, and to the World's Fair exhibit for a secret message and composing a poem!

Her Story: We will start by exploring the roles of women throughout history by viewing exhibits and handling objects from various time periods. Then participants will play a Juliette Gordon Low game, journal into the future, and create puppets for a modern fairy tale play!

Listening to the Past: The building of the museum holds many secrets, and the Girl Scouts will explore its history along with Waukesha's stories of the past. Next, participants will act out a story from our past with masks and puppets. Finally we will discover games from the Native Americans, pioneers, and Victorian era with a toy tournament!

Puppets, Dolls, and Plays: We will begin by exploring toys and dolls from various time periods in Wisconsin history. Then the Girl Scouts will make several types of dolls and puppets to perform a play for the entire group!

Science in Action: Using the Technology exhibit, girls will go on a scavenger hunt, create a magnetic invention, and mix colors with several experiments. Then it's time to get messy as we make slime, create colorful butterflies, and blow up a balloon in a very strange way!

Sounds of Music: Music has been important throughout history, from entertainment to performing tasks to sending signals. Girls will explore music from Native Americans, the Civil War, the Victorian Era, and movies while creating several instruments along the way!

Travel Right: Using our imaginations and objects from the museum, participants will travel back to the pioneer days! Girl Scouts will discover what it was like to travel west in a covered wagon as we prepare for the journey and the dangers on the road to our new home in Prairieville, Wisconsin!

OUR GIRL SCOUT PROGRAMMING

Our Girl Scout programming is designed to be a hands-on and interactive experience for children of all ages. Each program explores exhibits, artifacts, games, music, stories, and craft projects themed around the badge/elective/achievement your group is earning. At the end of each program, your group will have filled all the requirements for that goal, and programs are led by the Education Department staff with all the materials provided. All you need to do is have fun!



Girl Scout Juniors

Aerospace: Waukesha has a rich aviation history, and now it is your turn! Girl Scouts will create several aircrafts to fly and race, including a kite, glider, airplane, and rocket, while also exploring early air travel and the role of women in aviation history.

Architecture: First we will explore styles of architecture that can be found locally and what goes into designing these buildings. Then Girl Scouts will draw their own sketches of buildings they want to create using their favorite style, and we will conclude by constructing a house for fairies!

Folk Arts: Paintings and photographs can tell us a lot about families of the past, and after examining several examples, participants will create their own family portrait. Historic toys were often considered an art form, and Girl Scouts will get a chance to see and play several examples. Finally, we will create a traditional folk art craft and learn a special folk dance!

Local Lore: Knowing your community's history is important, and at the museum girls will uncover stories, people, and events throughout our history. We will handle historic artifacts, create a poster and song, and design the Waukesha of the future!

Making Music: First we will play a game to discover instruments featured in several songs and what family they belong to. Then girls will conduct the band, make an instrument, and compose a song with a unique theme. Finally, we will look at historic and famous songs to discover their true secrets!

Science Sleuth: There has been a crime at the museum! Girl Scouts must complete several experiments and challenges to solve the mystery, including fingerprints, simple machines, sound, paper, and rainbows.

Toymaker: We will begin by looking at and playing examples of toys throughout history and making one example out of recycled items. Then girls will design a board game, a brainteaser, and a dollhouse after looking at the museum's famous dollhouses!

Visual Arts: Girls will explore colors, shapes, and perspective in artwork both at the museum, around the world, and of their own making! We will mix and match colors, trace shapes to make crazy drawings, draw very tall buildings, and create a flip book!