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Spring Break and Summer Camps at the South Carolina State Museum Are Back!
Day Camps include hands-on activities for children featuring a variety of subjects, including art, astronomy, and robotics.

COLUMBIA, S.C. (January 27, 2022) – The South Carolina State Museum is excited to welcome campers back in 2022 with a new lineup of camps for spring break and summer presented by AFLAC. Each camp is themed with a different topic of learning & exploration. Registration for spring break camps and summer camps is now open!

Spring Break Camps

Spring break camps will run 8:30 am to 3 pm (with an optional Extended Day Camp till 5:30 pm for an additional fee) from Monday, April 11 through Friday, April 15. Campers can sign up for individual days or the whole week. Each day of spring break camps will focus on a different subject matter—science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics. Every day of camp features morning social time with other campers, museum exploration, hands-on and interactive activities, snack time, and lunchtime. Campers will be divided into groups by ages 6 – 8 and 9-12.

Monday, April 11: DoodleBots and Story Quilts
Kick off spring break with one of our most loved activities: The Doodlebot! Campers will take apart a motorized toothbrush to make their very own doodling "bot." Campers will also create their own quilt designs using math and art after exploring the museum’s exhibition on South Carolina Quilts.

Tuesday, April 12: Cyclones of the Solar System
Earth isn’t the only planet with weather! Campers will learn about some of the most extreme weather in the solar system and use a technique called quilling to create the beautiful swirling cyclones seen on planets such as Jupiter.

Wednesday, April 13: Gone Batty!
While much of the world sleeps, bats emerge from dark caves, tree hollows, and even abandoned buildings. Join us as we go batty to bust bat myths and create our very own flying wonder.

Thursday, April 14: A Little Dash of Ozo
Join the party as campers learn to program and code two robots, Dash and Ozobot Evo, to dance & light up the dance floor in our museum’s classrooms. Come join the party – no dance shoes required!

Friday, April 15: Pointillism Portraits and Paper Making
Campers will have the unique opportunity to tour the museum's newest art exhibition, *Face to Face*, with our curator, Ms. Amy. They'll also learn about portrait making through an art technique called "pointillism" and get messy as they explore the art of paper making.

**Summer Camps**

Summer camps will run from June until August. Campers will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of different week-long camps while exploring the museum, experiencing 4D and planetarium shows, and engaging in problem-based educational activities and STEM projects throughout the day. Whether it’s exploring space in the planetarium and observatory, engineering their own robotic designs, digging into South Carolina’s natural history, or even solving a mystery with chemistry & forensics, there’s something for every camper to enjoy. Summer Camps are separated by ages, 6-8 and 9-11/12.

**Camps for 6-8 Year-Olds**

**LITERAL-ly Awesome!** (June 6-10 or July 18-22), **Junior Robotics** (June 13-17 or July 7-29), **Can You Dig It?** (June 20-24 or August 1-5), **Think and Tink** (June 27-July 1 or August 8-12) and **Shoot for the Stars** (July 11-15 or Aug. 15-19)

**Camps for 9-12 Year-Olds**

**Astro Adventures** (June 6-10 or July 18-22), **Art Styles and South Carolina** (June 13-17 or July 25-29), **Advanced Robotics** (June 20-24 or Aug. 1-5), **CSI: Museum Mystery** (June 27-July 1 or Aug. 8-12) and **I Dig SC!** (July 11-15 or Aug. 15-19)

For questions contact the group visits office at 803.898.4999 or email camps@scmuseum.org.

**About the South Carolina State Museum**

Located in a historic textile mill, the South Carolina State Museum contains four floors of exhibits (art, cultural history, science and technology, natural history), as well as a planetarium, 4-D theater, and observatory. The natural history collection includes several hundred thousand specimens that document the history of the southeastern USA over the past 500 million years. For more information, visit www.scmuseum.org.