

# Come Experience the Virginia Living Museum

MUSEUM



## • Educational Experiences

for all ages- school kids & seniors alike will enjoy our award-winning science classes & planetarium shows.

## • Tasty Experiences

from boxed lunches to evening dinner & Museum visit combos; we have several ways to tempt your taste buds while quenching your thirst for knowledge.

## • Natural Experiences

from Virginia's coast to its mountain streams, let us show you the beauty found only in nature.

**...and we'll customize them for you!**



## LOCATION

524 J. Clyde Morris Blvd., Newport News, VA 23601. Midway between Williamsburg and Virginia Beach, just two miles off I-64 at exit 258A.

## RETAIL RATES

\$20 adults, \$15 children (ages 3-12). Discounts for tour group, motor-coach, receptive operators.

## PAYMENT

Contract and deposit required. Full payment 30 days in advance.

## MUSEUM HOURS

Open daily: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Closed: Thanksgiving, Dec. 24, 25, Jan. 1.

## LENGTH OF VISIT

Three hours.

## ADDITIONAL OPTIONS

Behind-the-scenes tours; student programs; performance venue; receptions and dinners.

## PARKING

Plenty of free parking.

## ACCESSIBILITY

Wheelchair accessible, with power assisted doors, elevators, a gently graded boardwalk. Wheelchairs available.

## COMPLIMENTARY POLICY

Escort and bus driver admitted free. Student groups: one adult chaperone free for every 10 students.

## RESERVATIONS

757-595-9135, [reservations@thevlm.org](mailto:reservations@thevlm.org)



- Take a natural history tour of Virginia with indoor and outdoor live animal exhibits and hands-on activities.
- Exhibits correlate with and reinforce national science standards
- Each exhibit tells a story. There's the predator-prey relationship of the corn snake and the chipmunk, and the camouflage abilities of the flounder.
- Outdoors, stroll the elevated boardwalk to view coastal birds, bald eagles, beavers, bobcat, river otters, red wolves and other animals in naturalized habitats.
- Explore the new outdoor Dinosaur Discovery Trail with 16 life-like dinosaurs, interactive paleo camp and dig pits, plus dinosaur and ice age fossils.
- Travel the universe in our state-of-the-art digital planetarium theater.



**We'll customize a package to fit your group's needs. Just call or email Jennifer.**



## Let your group have the VLM all to themselves

The Virginia Living Museum's indoor exhibits and Abbitt Observatory can be open exclusively for your group for two hours between 6pm and 10pm any day of the week. Minimum fee per group.

## Performance venue

The Museum's 100-seat outdoor amphitheater and its entrance courtyard are the perfect places to perform. There is plenty of room, the acoustics are great (the animals won't be disturbed!) and there are places for your audience to sit and enjoy the show.



## Café and Gift Shop

Include lunch or an afternoon social at the Wild Side Café.

Allow time to browse for unique nature-themed gifts in the Wild Things Museum Store.



## 2 special exhibits in 2019

**American Adventure**  
Will You Survive 1607?  
Jan. 19 - April 21, 2019

**Shark Zone**  
Photos, replicas, hands-on  
May 11 - Sept. 2, 2019

## Culinary Tours & Add-ons

The Virginia Living Museum is pleased to offer culinary options for adult groups. Fill your belly and your brain with our "Taste of Virginia" series - an educational experience combined with the foods, wines and flavors of various regions of Virginia. These culinary tours are available all year long. In November & December we are also offering 2 "mini-tastes" which will be great add-ons to our popular "Star of Wonder" holiday planetarium show.

## Explore the universe in the planetarium

In the Abbitt Planetarium Theater, visitors experience the wonders of space. Visitors are immersed in the environments of the planets, travel to distant galaxies, fly past the wonders of our universe, and marvel at the beauty of a clear, dark night sky - all from the comfort of an armchair.



Experience the journey of the Magi around you in "Star of Wonder: Mystery of the Christmas Star." The show offers a truly immersive look at the journey of the Magi while examining the latest clues and seeking once more to understand the appearance of the Star of Bethlehem.

"Holiday Magic" pairs classic holiday favorites including "White Christmas," the Russian Dance from the "Nutcracker" and "Linus and Lucy" with an animated Christmas light display.



## Museum exhibits/school programs reinforce natural science concepts

The Virginia Living Museum's exhibits correlate with and reinforce Virginia's Standards of Learning for Science. The topics also have universal appeal.

### VLM School Science Programs

- SOL- correlated
- Grade-level targeted
- Taught by the VLM's professional science educators
- Endorsed by the  
VA Dept. of Education  
U.S. Dept. of Education

### SOL-correlated Programs

- Natural Science Programs K-5
- Environmental Labs 6-12
- Science Safaris 6-12
- Planetarium Programs K-12

### Small Group Presentations & Assembly-style Program

Meet and touch live wild animals, discover the answers to some of nature's mysteries

Available weekdays 1:30-4 p.m., September to mid-June.

