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MICHIGAN ACTIVITY PASS presented by The Library Network to debut May 24

Statewide partnership offers enhanced access to arts and cultural organizations in Michigan

(Novi)—April 24, 2013—The Library Network, the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the Library of Michigan, and CultureSource today announced the “Michigan Activity Pass presented by The Library Network” will debut on May 24, 2013.

The “Michigan Activity Pass presented by The Library Network” program is a partnership between Michigan’s nearly 400 public libraries and 60 arts and cultural organizations. The program is designed to enhance the learning experience for people of all ages through books and other library materials, and to provide reduced cost or complimentary access to arts and cultural organizations across the state of Michigan, from Monroe to Mackinaw City to Marquette, and all points in between.

“The Library Network is thrilled with the response to the program from our cultural partners and we’re pleased to be able to present this program in conjunction with the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the Library of Michigan, and CultureSource,” said Jim Flury, Technical Services Manager and Michigan Activity Pass administrator at The Library Network in Novi. “We’re thankful to the many generous participants from the libraries and arts, cultural and historical organizations who have so warmly embraced this program. We encourage Michigan’s public library patrons to ‘Soar and Explore’ all the unique opportunities that are available to them in the Michigan Activity Pass program.”

Beginning on May 24, “Michigan Activity Pass presented by The Library Network” will be available at all of Michigan’s nearly 400 public libraries. Some of the participating cultural partners include the Detroit Institute of Arts, the Upper Peninsula Children’s Museum in Marquette, the Monroe County Historical Museum, the Icebreaker Mackinaw Maritime Museum in Mackinaw City, and many others.

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How the Program Works

Beginning May 24, library users with a valid library card from one of Michigan's nearly 400 public libraries can print a pass, either from home or at the library, to one of the nearly 60 participating institutions at the <http://michiganactivitypass.info> website, which will go live on May 24, 2013. Some cultural partners offer complimentary or reduced price admission; others, discounts in their gift shop or other exclusive offers for MAP pass holders only. Each Michigan Activity Pass expires within one week from the date it is printed.

Each library will have five passes for each of the participating organizations available.

Participating organizations include:

Art Experience	Arts & Scraps
Buick Automotive Gallery	Carr Center
Castle Farms	Castle Museum
Charlevoix Depot Museum	Charlevoix Harsha House Museum
Chippewa Nature Center	Chippewa County Historical Society
Cranbrook Art Museum	Detroit Institute of Arts
DeVos Art Museum	Fire Barn Museum
Flint Institute of Arts	Gibraltar Historical Museum
Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center	
Hackley & Hume Historic Site	Hamburg Historical Museum
Hidden Lake Gardens	Holocaust Memorial Center

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Howell Conference/Nature Center	Icebreaker Mackinaw Maritime Museum
Jackson Historic Prison Tours	Kalamazoo Valley Museum
Kelsey Museum of Archaeology	Kids n Stuff Children's Museum
Knowlton's Ice Museum	Lakeshore Museum Center
Longway Planetarium	Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum
Mary's City of David	Meadowbrook Hall
Michigan Firehouse Museum	Michigan Philharmonic
Midwest Miniatures Museum	Monroe County Historical Museum
Montrose Historical Museum	Muskegon Museum of Art
Nelis Dutch Village	Oakland County Historical Society
Old Mill Museum	Performance Network Theatre
Plymouth Historical Museum	Rentschler Farm Museum
R.E. Olds Transportation Museum	Saline Railroad Depot Museum
Scarab Club	Scolnik House of the Depression Era
Sloan Museum	Southern Michigan Railroad
Toonerville Trolley/Riverboat Tour	Top of the Lake Snowmobile Museum
Troy Historic Village	Upper Peninsula Children's Museum
U.S. Ski and Snowboard Hall of Fame/Museum	
Wexford County Historical Museum	Wheels of History Museum
William G. Thompson House/Gardens	Yankee Air Museum

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About The Library Network

The **Library Network** (TLN) is a public library cooperative serving 65 libraries in southeast Michigan whose mission is to provide and facilitate quality services developed through collaboration of its member libraries. TLN is funded by the state and by our member libraries.

About the Institute of Museum and Library Services

The **Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)** is the primary source of federal support for the nation's 123000 libraries and 17500 museums. The mission of IMLS is to inspire libraries and museums to advance innovation, lifelong learning, and cultural and civic engagement through research, policy development, and grant making.

About the Library of Michigan

The **Library of Michigan** was created by the Michigan Legislature to guarantee the people of the State and their government one perpetual institution to collect and preserve Michigan publications, to conduct reference and research, and to support libraries statewide.

About CultureSource

CultureSource is a professional association comprised of 115+ organizations serving the greater metropolitan Detroit region as nonprofit enterprises for the arts and culture.

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