

SCHEDULING A TOUR

Photographs above by Jonathan Hillyer

Please call (518) 673-2314, ext. 113 at least three weeks in advance. Tours are generally 45 minutes to 90 minutes in length, but may be altered to suit a school's needs.

Group Size and Chaperones

Guided tours are available for groups of 8 or more. Large groups (of 25+) necessitate scheduling multiple docents; extended advanced notice is appreciated. Chaperones for guided tours are required at the following ratios: one for every 8–10 elementary and middle school and 12–15 high school students. Twice as many chaperones are required for self-guided tours. All students must adhere to the Museum's rules, and adult supervision is required at all times.

Tour Fees

Guided tours are \$4 per student; a pre-arranged art activity may be scheduled for an additional \$1 per student. Teachers and chaperones are free at the ratios listed above. Additional adults will be charged \$4 each. A down payment of \$10 (non-refundable) or full payment must be paid prior to your museum visit unless other arrangements have been made in writing. School groups interested in self-guided tours will also be charged \$4 per student.

Eating Lunch at the Museum

With advance notice at time of scheduling your group may reserve the museum's classroom or the Great Hall to eat bagged lunches immediately before or after your tour.

Tour Logistics

Our large parking lot provides ample room for school buses. All Museum galleries are wheelchair-accessible.

Transportation Funds

Districts that participate in the Arts in Education and/or Exploratory Enrichment co-sers may be able to receive BOCES aid on their programming costs. Please contact your local BOCES Arts in Education coordinator for more information.

Free or Reduced Admission

Call the museum for information about funding provided by the Fenimore Asset Management Fund that can also be used to help pay for student admission and/or transportation to the Arkell Museum. All requests must be made at least 3 weeks prior to the tour date to qualify for free admission.

Classes that sign up for tours in May and June 2011 may also schedule an artist in the classroom. The classroom experience is supported by New York State Council on the Arts and the first 11 classes who sign up will receive this \$325 program for free.

School Group Tours are supported in part by the New York State Council on the Arts and by Fenimore Asset Management.

Cover images: Detail Jon Corbino (1905–1964) The Circus, ca. 1938, Oil on canvas; Detail Ogden Pleissner (1905–1983) Circus Comes to Rawlins, Wyoming, 1939, Oil on canva

Museum School Group Visit and Post-Visit Programs for grades K–12





TOUR THEMES & SUBJECTS

During school tours, specially trained docents (museum guides) lead students through the museum's galleries and initiate focused discussions and activities around specially selected groups of art objects.

Season, Weather & Time

- Grades K–3
- 45 minutes
- Includes Gallery tour and activities
- \$4 per student
- One adult free per 8 students

Discover how artists use color, brushwork, line, and shapes to covey seasons, weather conditions and times of day.

The Elements of Art: Line, Shape and Color

This program can include portrait paintings as well as landscapes

- Grades K–5
- 45 minutes (add 30 minutes for art room activity)
- Includes Gallery tour and activities
- \$4 per student
- One adult free per 8 students
- Add an art activity for \$3 per student

See how artists create a painting by getting to know the elements of art—line, shape, and color.

Mohawk Valley Views: Exploring the Art and History of the Mohawk Valley Region

- Grades 1–12
- 60–90 minutes hour program
- Includes Gallery tour and activities
- \$4 per student
- One adult free per 8–15 students depending on grade level

This program encourages students to understand the idea of a sense of place and explores how the landscape changes and remains the same. Docents will lead students on an investigation of paintings and drawings that depict the Mohawk Valley's landscape of canal, river, farmlands and villages. This program is customized to fit the age group and the museum's current exhibitions. *Drawn to the Same Place: The Drawings of Rufus Grider & Fritz Vogt* will be the focus of this tour in from May–August 2011. Call for more information.

Looking at Landscape

- Grades 4–8
- 60–90 minute program
- Includes Gallery tour and activities
- \$4 per student
- One adult free per 8–15 students

Students will explore the idea of landscape and see how American artists from different times chose their views and communicated their personal thoughts, patrons wishes and national ideals. This program is customized to fit the age group and current exhibitions. Call for more information.

Landscape Painting & Prose

- Grades 5–12
- 1–3 hour program
- Includes Gallery tour and activities
- \$4 per student
- One adult free per 8–15 students

Explore landscape paintings in the museum with a docent and then spend time in the gallery writing poetry, letters or short stories. This tour creatively combines both the visual arts and language arts.

Bringing Landscape to the Classroom

Only offered to classes who have first visited the Arkell Museum.

- FREE for first 11 classes to sign up in Spring 2011
- Post-visit classroom activity for $\mathsf{K}{-}6$ grades
- \$325 per class visit includes artist fee and materials (fee may be reduced for multiple classes in one day)





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DIRECTIONS

Only 3 blocks from Exit 29 on the NY State Thruway (I-90)

From Albany and the East:

Take the New York State Thruway (I-90) West to exit 29.Turn right onto Main Street, right at the first light onto Church Street, and left onto Erie Boulevard. The Arkell Museum parking lot is the first right.

From New York City and the South: Take New York State Thruway (I-87) North to New York State Thruway (I-90) West to exit 29 and follow directions above to the parking lot.

From Montreal and the North: Take the New York State Northway (I-87) South to New York State Thruway (I-90) West to exit 29 and follow directions above to the parking lot.

Above: Detail of Lauren Ford (1891– 1973) A Country Doctor, 1926

From Buffalo and the West:

Take the New York State Thruway (I-90) East to exit 29 and follow directions above to the parking lot.

From Cooperstown, NY:

Take Route 80 North to Fort Plain, turn right onto 5S East and follow into Canajoharie. Turn left at the fork in the road onto Erie Boulevard in front of the gas station, and almost immediately turn left into the museum parking lot at 2 Erie Boulevard before you reach the next intersection.

