



Charles M. Schulz Museum SENSORY FRIENDLY DAY March 5, 2019

Welcome to the Charles M. Schulz Museum.

Explore the Museum: Ask for a Family Guide at the Museum's greeter station to use to explore the galleries. Noise Canceling Headphones and Sensory Kits are available if needed. Just ask a Museum Staff member! The Education Room TV has been left off to provide a quiet cartooning space.

Watch *Peanuts* animated specials with the lights on and with captions: Showtimes are:

- 3:30 pm *He's Your Dog, Charlie Brown* – 25 minutes
- 4:00 pm *It's Spring Training, Charlie Brown* – 25 minutes
- 4:30 pm *You're the Greatest, Charlie Brown* – 25 minutes

Downstairs in the Auditorium Theater

Be an Animator: Use *Peanuts* figurines to make a movie. Place your characters and use the iPad to take a picture by pushing the large red button on the right side of the screen. To take more frames move your character(s) a little bit and take another picture. Repeat the process until you take about 20-30 frames. Press the triangle Play button above the red button to see your movie sequence. TIP: If your character(s) appear blurry, tap the screen to focus the shot. *Downstairs in the Great Hall*

Be a Cartoonist: Draw on large format 4 panel comic strips, like Charles M. Schulz. Use the pencils, color pencils, crayons, or markers to add color to your strip. *Downstairs in the Great Hall*

Finger-paint with NO mess: Painting inside a gallon-sized ziplock bag is great for creativity and keeps your fingers and the area clean. It also provides the sensory experience of finger painting without the feeling of paint on your hands. Collect a paint-ready ziplock from a Museum Volunteer. Each bag has two colors that mix together. What color do red and blue make? How about red and yellow? Lastly, what color do you get when you mix blue and yellow? This is a great process art activity, but the picture inside does not dry well. This activity promotes art and creativity without the worry of paint texture or mess.

Upstairs in the Education Room

Water bead Squish Balloon: Water beads are squishy and bouncy. Fill a plastic bottle with 1 cup of water beads. Place the mouth of the balloon over the bottle and squeeze the beads into the balloon until it is about fist-sized. Tie a knot in the balloon and trim the extra. Place a second balloon around the first to strengthen the squish ball and make it less likely to break. Tie a knot and trim the extra balloon. Squeezing a squish ball or other fidget can help kids focus, calm down, and self-regulate.

Upstairs in the Education Room

Read-to-a-Dog: Choose from our collection of *Peanuts* books and read to a trained and certified therapy dog from 4 Paws in Sonoma County. Also, meet and greet these working dogs. Therapy dogs can help encourage communication, increase socialization, provide comfort, reduce anxiety, lessen boredom and/or loneliness, and lift spirits. *Upstairs on the Mezzanine*

Take a Break: Enjoy free play as a civil engineer by using the KEVA planks to combine blocks, stack them, or line them up. Also play with Eames giant-sized color cards to build towers, houses, and bridges. The cards each have six slots, so they may be joined in many ways.

Downstairs in the Gallery