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THE DAVIS MUSEUM OFFERS THE SIGHTS AND SOUNDS OF ITALY DURING FAMILY DAY: A GRAND TOUR



WELLESLEY, Mass. – The <u>Davis Museum</u> offers its own version of the "Grand Tour" for visitors of all ages during <u>Family Day: A Grand Tour of Italy</u>, a FREE gathering that takes place on Saturday, April 29, 11 a.m. through 3 p.m. Italian art and culture can be experienced by all through opera, visual art, interactive events, and more.

"We are excited to welcome families to the Davis to enjoy the museum and explore all that it has to offer," said Arthurina Fears, Manager

of Museum Education and Programs. "There is a chance to view and create art, experience opera and listen to stories, all amidst a backdrop of masterpieces – a great way to spend the day!"

Activities that engage all ages

Family Day will feature art-making activities appropriate for all ages, with the opportunity for participants to take home their own creation. Visitors will also be able to take home a prize once they complete a treasure hunt throughout the museum.

Family Day will also feature guided tours of the exhibition, The Medici's Painter: Carlo Dolci and 17th-Century Florence.

If you go:

Date: Saturday, April 29 Time: 11 a.m. through 3 p.m.

Location: Davis Museum and Plaza at Wellesley College

Cost: FREE

Food: Light refreshments will be provided

Schedule:

11 a.m.-3 p.m.
 Art Activities: Dolci Sketchbooks and Treasure Hunt

• 11:15 a.m.—noon Artist Demo with Sarah Stover: Portrait Drawing in Red and Black Chalk

• 12:30-1 p.m.

Storytime and Songs on Ukulele, with Emma Caywood Hicks, Wellesley Free Library

- 1:30–1:45 p.m. Italian Opera with Chandler E. Cummings, soprano, and David Collins, piano
- 2-2:45 p.m.
 Family Tour of The Medici's Painter: Carlo Dolci and 17th-Century

 Florence

Family Day: A Grand Tour of Italy is generously supported by the Palley Endowment Fund for Davis Museum Outreach Programs.

DAVIS MUSEUM GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Wellesley College, 106 Central St., Wellesley, Mass.

Museum Hours: Tuesday–Sunday, 11 a.m.–5 p.m. Closed Mondays, holidays, and Wellesley College recesses.

Admission is free and open to the public.

Telephone: 781-283-2051 Website: www.theDavis.org

ABOUT THE DAVIS MUSEUM

One of the oldest and most acclaimed academic fine arts museums in the United States, the Davis Museum is a vital force in the intellectual, pedagogical and social life of Wellesley College. It seeks to create an environment that encourages visual literacy, inspires new ideas, and fosters involvement with the arts both within the College and the larger community.

ABOUT WELLESLEY COLLEGE AND THE ARTS

The Wellesley College arts curriculum and the highly-acclaimed Davis Museum are integral components of the College's liberal arts education. Departments and programs from across the campus enliven the community with world-class programming—classical and popular music, visual arts, theatre, dance, author readings, symposia, and lectures by some of today's leading artists and creative thinkers—most of which are free and open to the public.

Since 1875, Wellesley College has been a leader in providing an excellent liberal arts education for women who will make a difference in the world. Its 500-acre campus near Boston is home to some 2,400 undergraduate students from 49 states and 58 countries.

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