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State Museum of Pennsylvania to Offer Annual HomeSchool Day

Harrisburg - The State Museum of Pennsylvania will host its third annual HomeSchool Day from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sept. 28, offering a special program tailored for families and community organizations that teach in a home setting.

HomeSchool Day participants will choose from a variety of activities based on their needs. Drawing from extensive historical and scientific collections, State Museum curators and educators will showcase Pennsylvania with guided tours of the new "Life Through Time" paleontology exhibit, as well as an interpretive walk-through of the museum's exhibits focusing on icons of the state's heritage. Gallery talks on the life of William Penn and the state's natural history, planetarium shows, pre-school story time, and sessions to meet and talk with State Museum Director David Dunn about the museum's programs will also be offered.

"Pennsylvania has a vibrant and active home school community, and we enjoy making our resources available to creatively assist the learning experience," Dunn said. "The expertise of our curators and educators— combined with our amazing collections—really helps parents and children visualize Pennsylvania's incredible heritage and the stories of its people."

The \$6 per-person cost (adults and children) for HomeSchool Day includes admission to the museum and special HomeSchool Day programming as well as a ticket to a Planetarium presentation. Members of the Pennsylvania Heritage Society (including State Museum affiliate members) will be admitted free of charge. To register, call 717-772-6997, Mon. through Fri., from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The State Museum of Pennsylvania, adjacent to the State Capitol in Harrisburg, is one of 25 historic sites and museums administered by Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission as part of the Pennsylvania Trails of History®. The State Museum offers expansive collections interpreting Pennsylvania's fascinating heritage. With exhibits examining the dawn of geologic time, the Native American experience, the colonial and revolutionary era, a pivotal Civil War battleground, and the Commonwealth's vast industrial age, The State Museum demonstrates that Pennsylvania's story is America's story.

For more information about the museum, visit www.statemuseumpa.org.

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