

PANORAMA

MAY 2021 - SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



WELCOME BACK!

We are excited to announce that the KU Natural History Museum will reopen to the public on Thursday, May 6! The museum will be open Tuesday-Saturday, 1-5 p.m. Groups of up to 7 may visit for up to 90 minutes. Advanced reservations required. Visitors will be asked to follow [KU's COVID-19 safety protocols](#). We can't wait to see you!
RESERVE YOUR TIME TO VISIT.

MICROBES ON THE MOVE

Saturday, May 1, [Topeka & Shawnee Library Facebook page](#)
10:30am-12:30pm
Also 3 live Zoom sessions with KUNHM staff! [LEARN MORE](#)



Register for the museum's May 1 live Zoom sessions on Microscopy and Fungal Plating or join or Microbe Trivia Game, or watch videos premiere on the Library's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/TopekaLibrary> 10:30am-12:30pm. Don't miss out on this awesome opportunity!

FREE SCIENCE KITS

Saturday, May 8, 12pm-4pm, Curbside, outside the KUNHM



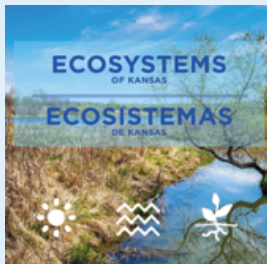
LEARN HOW TO PICK UP A FREE KIT

On May 8th, we will be distributing a limited number of free Science Kits for our virtual Pop Up Science - Symmetry in the Natural World program on May 15! Each kit will contain all the materials you need for the science activity, plus a copy of our activity PDF, which will also be available online. Information on how you can pick up a kit for your household is below. More info can be found at <https://biodiversity.ku.edu/science-kits>.

Our staff will be following COVID-19 recommended protocols, including wearing masks. We ask that participants picking up kits also follow protocols, including wearing masks when picking up kits. Households can get up to 2 kits total. NOTE: If you come between 1-4pm, you can get both the Pop Up Science kit from outside the KUNHM *and* our Evolutionary Tree Science Kit from the Spencer Museum of Art during their Days of Creativity event! Our museums are only two minutes apart, so be sure to double your fun by taking advantage of this unique opportunity.

ECOSYSTEMS OF KANSAS - EP. 7

Preserving and Protecting Our Ecosystem
Thursday, May 6, 10am [via Facebook](#)



Join us for this dual-language youth series on the ecosystems of Kansas! This month we explore Preserving and Protecting Our Ecosystems. Geared toward K-3, this series provides information in English and Spanish, and meets NGSS educational standards.

This broader impacts project is led by Dr. Peggy Schultz, KU Environmental Studies Program Associate Specialist, and her team. (Grant: Kansas NSF EPSCoR RII Track-1 Award OIA-1656006.)

POP UP SCIENCE - SYMMETRY IN THE NATURAL WORLD

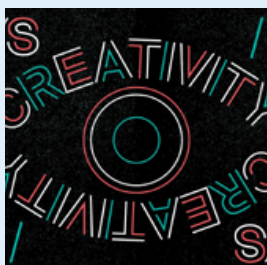
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Kids will love exploring the different types of symmetry in the natural world during this month's Pop Up Science, plus we have a hands-on activity making prints of symmetrical specimens with the sun! We'll explore radial, bilateral, rotational and reflectional symmetry in nature and show you how to identify these in pinecones, starfish, butterflies and more. We'll show you how to make cyanotype photo prints with leaves and other botanical materials too! Learn how to [pick up a free Science Kit](#) for this activity on Saturday, May 8, 12-4pm, outside the KU Natural History Museum.

DAYS OF CREATIVITY

[Spencer Museum of Art](#) - KUNHM Activity featured on May 7 & 8
Using Evolutionary Trees to Study Shared Characters



We're partnering on May 7 and 8 with the Spencer Museum of Art for its Days of Creativity, taking place every Friday and Saturday, now through May 15.

On May 7 and 8, schedule a visit to experience the Spencer exhibition "Healing, Knowing, Seeing the Body" then take home a KUNHM activity kit, 1-5pm, on "Using Evolutionary Trees to Study Shared Characters" and explore the shared characters of different lineages of trees.

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