

The Walt Disney Family Museum April 2010 Events Calendar

Explore the World of Puppetry With No Strings Attached in April at The Walt Disney Family Museum

FILM OF THE MONTH

Pinocchio (1940)

1:00pm and 4:00pm, Theater (except Tuesdays, April 5, April 17, April 22 + April 24.) tickets available online at <u>www.waltdisney.org</u>

When you wish upon a star, your dreams really do come true. Follow Pinocchio's magical transformation from a wooden puppet to a real boy.

APRIL LECTURES

April 17 – The Making of Pinocchio 3:00 pm, Theater

tickets available online at <u>www.waltdisney.org</u>

J.B. Kaufman, film historian and author of an upcoming book on Pinocchio, discusses the craftsmanship that went into creating one of Disney's most beautiful films. Learn how 750 artists collaborated to produce over 2 million drawings and get the inside scoop on what it took to turn Pinocchio into a real boy.

April 22 – Earth Day Program

3:00 pm, Theater tickets available online at <u>www.waltdisney.org</u>

There's more in Nature's Half Acre than meets the eye! Take a look at all of the insects and flowers that live in our own backyards and find out how Disney captured these scenes using microphotography.

After the screening we will have a craft activity. Learn about native Bay Area plants and bugs while creating your own flower or creepy crawly creature using all recycled materials.

April 24 – The Art and Practice of Puppetry

3:00 pm, Theater tickets available online at <u>www.waltdisney.org</u>

Janie Geiser, Director of the Cotsen Center of Puppetry and the Arts at California Institute of the Arts, discusses how the puppeteer works to bring a puppet to life. Join us for an intimate look at

the creative process and craftsmanship that goes into puppetry performance. Learn about the future of this intricate craft and how it has been incorporated into different mediums. This discussion will be followed by a live demonstration!

PUBLIC PROGRAMMING FOR APRIL

DISNEY DISCOVERIES: Second Saturday of each month

April 10 – Puppet Fun

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm, Learning Center Art Studio

Imaginations and creativity will soar with our new **Disney Discoveries!** The second Saturday of each month, join us for family fun and activities in the Learning Center. The activities planned by our education staff will inspire the hidden artist in young visitors while learning about the life and work of Walt Disney.

The **Disney Discoveries!** activities are free with paid admission to the Museum. No ticket is needed for members—just show your membership card.

LOOK CLOSER:

April 23, 24 + 25 – Pinocchio Animators Desk

11:00 am and 2:00 pm, Gallery 5

Would you like to know more about one of the artifacts in the galleries? Our Look Closer series will give you that opportunity—staff will reveal little known facts—and behind the scenes information during the 30-minute gallery talk.

The Look Closer series is free with paid admission or paid membership.

- Where:The Walt Disney Family Museum104 Montgomery Street, The Presidio of San FranciscoSan Francisco, CA 94129
- Admissions: Various: check Website for details.
- Website: <u>www.waltdisney.org</u> <u>www.facebook.com/thewaltdisneyfamilymuseum</u> <u>www.twitter.com/wdfmuseum</u>

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