



Family-Friendly Activities

Take a look at these family-friendly activities happening across the Festival!

Please note that crafts are while supplies last, and workshops are first come, first served. See staff in the Family Activities tent with any questions.

All Ages

Learning Together

Stage	Activity Description	Date/Time
Leather, Silver, & Beadwork	Leather Working: The Carter and Severe families are long-time leather workers. Visit their tent to practice working with leather! From braiding, branding, and cutting, you are sure to produce a one-of-a-kind piece of art.	All Days
Center Grass	Roping Demonstration: Stop by the center grass area outside of Learning Together to watch other young people rope a variety of objects! You may be chosen to try your hand at the lasso yourself.	July 4, 5, 6: 4–4:45 PM
Weaving	Loom Activity: While in the Karen Weaving Circle tent, practice your weaving skills with their large loom! This informal activity is on a first-come, first-serve basis.	All Days

Music Apprenticeship

Stage	Activity Description	Date/Time
Beatworks	Family Drumming Workshop with ABOP: By creating strong relationships between protégés and mentors, the Alliance of Black Orchestral Percussionists creates pathways for young Black musicians to become professional classical musicians. Come join their six virtuosi protégés in a drumming workshop for participants of all ages. Drums will be provided, first come, first served.	July 2, 3: 11–11:45 AM July 4, 5, 6: 12–12:45 PM July 7: 3–3:45 PM
Beatworks	Family Dance with Caller Adina Gordon and Sugar in the Pan: Want to play games to good music? Come to the family dance! It doesn't matter if you're 4 or 34 or 84, you can do these dances and laugh a lot and have a great time. Bring your sense of adventure, your sense of play, and your sense of humor. Adina Gordon has been calling dances for over twenty years and takes particular pleasure in introducing new dancers to contra, square, and English country dancing.	July 7: 11–11:45 AM

Streetwise

Stage	Activity Description	Date/Time
Streetwise Skate Area	Kids' Skate Arts Activities with Music by DJ Jah Messenger: Come to the skate area and get creative with hands-on activities inspired by the designs of skate gear, wearable art, and the creative world of skating! Uplifting tunes will be provided by DJ and comic artist Jah Messenger (Blas Goncalves-Borrega).	July 2, 3, 7: 12–1:45 PM

Native Language Reclamation

Stage	Activity Description	Date/Time
Music Room	Alutiiq/Sugpiaq Invitational Dances: The Alutiiq/Sugpiaq people have always danced as a community to perform rituals and ceremonies, to share stories, and to entertain each other. Today, the group honors their ancestors by dancing their stories and living their culture. Pop into the Music Room to learn Alutiiq social dances among other visitors!	July 3, 5, 7: 11–11:45 AM July 4: 2–2:45 PM
Language Lodge	Hawaiian Language Lesson: “Lohe, ‘Oni, Wala’au: Hear, Do, Speak”: Hālau I Ka Leo Ola O Nā Mamo (School of the Living Voice of the Descendants) is a hula school from the island of Hawai‘i. Join an introductory language lesson to learn a few common words and phrases!	July 2, 7: 11–11:45 AM
Center Grass	Myaamia Peekitahaminki (Lacrosse): Myaamia Heritage Program students will demonstrate <i>peekitahaminki</i> (lacrosse) in the center grass area! Learn how to play and then play with them or bring your own lacrosse sticks and join in a game! The students will demonstrate how they make their traditional peekitahaminki sticks. Smaller sticks and nets will be available so children of all ages can join in.	July 2, 6: 11–11:45 AM 3–3:45 PM July 3: 11–11:45 AM 4–4:45 PM July 4, 5, 7: 11–11:45 AM 2–2:45 PM

Foodways

Stage	Activity Description	Date/Time
Foodways	Sensory Play Table: This table contains ingredients and food materials from some of the recipes and programs that will be prepared in the Foodways demonstration kitchen. Each item pertains to one or more of the five senses, aside from taste. The table will be available throughout the entire Festival and open to all ages. Beware of potential allergens.	All Days

Gifts from the Land (Garden)

stage	Activity Description	Date/Time
Garden	Plant Scavenger Hunt: Discover beautiful “Gifts from the Land” during this garden scavenger hunt! Find each of the twelve plants listed. Once you find a plant, be sure to draw a picture of it on your sheet and leave the plant where you found it. After you have completed the hunt, return to the garden to receive your prize! Beware of potential allergens in the garden.	All Days

Ages 6+

Building Trades

Stage	Activity Description	Date/Time
American College of the Building Arts Tent	New Orleans Blacksmithing Activity: Learn the art of blacksmithing by our experts! Design your own New Orleans-Style Wrought Iron Gate using Adinkra Symbols.	All Days
Building Trades Area	Scavenger Hunt: Follow the Scavenger Hunt in the Building Trades tent to learn more about traditional building trades and the craftspeople who practice them.	All Days
Shop Talk Stage	American College of the Building Arts Architectural Sketching and Watercolor Rendering: Paint with watercolors to render your own architectural design!	All Days

Streetwise

Stage	Activity Description	Date/Time
Streetwise South Side	Astronomy: Explore the sky with the National Capital Astronomers club. During the day, create your own spectroscope to view the different colors that make up light. In the evening, stargaze with amateur astronomers, some of whom made their own telescopes.	July 5, 6: Noon– 9:30 PM

Native Language Reclamation

Stage	Activity Description	Date/Time
Language Lodge	Mahkisina – Myaamia Moccasin Game: Come find the hidden objects in the Mahkisina-Myyaamia Moccasin game! This vibrant game of strategy and teamwork will put your memory to the test! Singing and teasing are integral (and encouraged!) to rattle your competition.	July 4: 1–1:45 PM July 6: 12–12:45 PM
Language Lodge	Kakangaq – Alutiiq/Sugpiaq Disk Game: Join the Kodiak Alutiiq Dancers in playing <i>kakangaq</i> , a traditional game designed to hone one’s hunting skills. See if you can hit the mark by tossing discs at a target on a seal hide!	July 4: 4–4:45 PM July 6: 12–12:45 PM

Ages 10+

Emerging Media Makers

Stage	Activity Description	Date/Time
Arts + Industries Building North Wing	<p>Media Arts Workshops: Fold a Poem with Olivia Braley: A zine, like a poem, is brief, creative, and form-limited. Also like a poem, it is a place to get real, confess, play, and break rules. In this workshop, visitors will be led through several generative writing exercises to get the poetic mind working. They will then turn their freshly written words into zines to trade, share, give to their lover or keep like a secret. Ages ten and up. Workshops are limited to ten participants on a first-come, first-served basis.</p>	<p>July 3: 12:00–1:30 PM 2:30–4:00 PM</p> <p>July 5: 12–1:30 PM 2:30–4 PM</p>
Arts + Industries Building North Wing	<p>Media Arts Workshops: Cyanotypes, Animation, Vinyl Painting: Every afternoon, join us for ongoing media arts workshops in the north wing of the Arts +Industries Building. No sign-up is required, but workshops are limited to ten participants on a first-come, first-served basis.</p> <p>Activities include:</p> <p>Cyanotype Prints: The premise is to take a photograph and invert it to create a negative, then print the photo using cyanotype ink and UV light (or sunshine).</p> <p>Stop-Motion Animation: Stop-motion is one of the earliest forms of animation, and it’s still being used today! Try your hand at creating your own animation here.</p> <p>Vinyl Painting: Student DJs invite you to upcycle old, scratched vinyl records!</p>	<p>All Days: 12–4 PM</p> <p>(Participants will take breaks throughout these hours)</p>

Ages 13+

Museum of the Contemporary American Teenager

Stage	Activity Description	Date/Time
MoCAT Bedroom	Get Creative with MoCAT: Come into The Bedroom to explore teenage identity, fashion, taste, and expression! The Museum of Contemporary American Teenagers presents rotating hands-on activities: collage posters, friendship bracelets, and sewing and fashion up-cycling. Hands-on activities are limited to ten visitors at a time, first come, first served.	All Days
MoCAT Bathroom	Ceramics Workshop: Celebrate teen art making and join in a hands-on clay sculpture activity, suitable for older kids and teens. Participation in this workshop is limited to ten visitors at a time—first come, first served.	All Days: 2–2:45 PM

***** Check out daily performances by
Stax Music Academy, Sugar in the Pan,
Mariachi Tesoro de San Fernando,
and Andes MC and Eber Miranda
at the Festival Main Stage!
All suitable for kids and families.**