

The Magic of Real: School Tours at the AACA Museum

A *real* Model-T, a restored 1948 diner from Kansas—learning is seeing *and* doing for students who visit the **Antique Auto Museum**

Touchable artifacts, inquiry methods, role-playing and group activities go across the curriculum to make learning fun and active. At the “Photo Stop” kids can sit in different antique vehicles and act out a skit with props. In a restored Valentine

diner, students use “trading cards” filled with oral histories, newspaper quotes and price comparisons to create a “slice” of diner life in the fifties.



A take-home project is included.

AUTO-biographies: Women, Minorities, and Children 90 minutes

Cruise eight decades of antique automobiles and discover the stories of women, minorities, and children – some famous and some not so famous - who made automobile history. Alice Ramsey and three women companions drove across country in 1909 in 59 days. Garrett Morgan invented the traffic signal. Kids all over the country helped the WWII effort by collecting scrap metal and rubber tires.

Museum Classroom:

“Dear Diary” Use reproduction vintage photographs depicting automobiles to write a car-related story or diary entry.



Automobiles in American Life 90 minutes

The automobile forever changed life in America. Auto-related businesses -gas stations, diners, and drive-ins --sprang up along the nation’s roadside after 1900. People were no longer confined to a three-mile radius where they were born. By the 1930’s, the automobile was indispensable. During WWII, automobile production stopped and people invented new ways of getting around and doing business, like car pools.



Investigation Station 90 minutes

Henry Ford built the most popular car Americans have ever known and assembled it in a way that millions of people could afford it. Mary Anderson invented a device to clean windshields using a handle from inside the car. Arthur Valentine founded a company in Kansas that enabled 2,200 people to own their own business after the depression. Ralph Teeter, blind since the age of five, invented cruise control. This tour celebrates automotive innovators and their inventions.

Museum Classroom:

Create a logo for your own automo-



Museum Classroom: Explore vintage postcards then create a postcard using our unique collection of car stamps.

Students explore artifacts from the hands-on teaching collection. Tool chest donated by *Snap-on* Inc.

Visit The Museum!



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Tours support State Curriculum Standards in history, English, math, economics, science and technology at various levels. Tours are available Monday through Thursday from 9:30 to 2:00 for grades pre-K to twelve. Optimum tour size is 60 students, however larger groups can be accommodated with modification in the program. Tours are presented with an eye toward the curriculum and the age level of the group. Please allow three weeks to process requests.



1958 REO School Bus, Lower Level



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To Book A Tour Call 717-566-7100

The program is \$5.00 per student which includes a classroom activity. One chaperone for every 10 students is required. One teacher and one bus driver are admitted FREE; additional adults are discounted at \$7.50. Special projects or customized tours may carry additional fees. Extended visits, including lunch, can be arranged.

Please have the following information ready:

Teacher or contact name _____ phone # _____ eve# _____

School or Group Name _____ E-mail _____

Address _____

Number of students _____ Grade/Age _____ Tour _____ Activity _____

Special needs _____ reason for visit _____

First Choice Date _____ time _____

Second Choice Date _____ time _____

Third Choice Date _____ time _____

Parking is **FREE** in a special lot for buses. Order forms are available upon request for advance purchases from the Museum gift shop. There are no lunch facilities in the Museum. Restaurants and fast food stops are nearby. Please pay upon arrival. *All requests due minimum three weeks prior to visit.



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