

October

- 3 **Saturday | 10:30 | ages 7 and up**
Film Program/The Way Things Go
- 3 **Saturday | 10:30 | 1:30 | ages 6 to 8**
Family Workshop/Royal Adventure
- 4 **Sunday | 11:30 | ages 7 and up**
Film Program/The Way Things Go
- 4 **Sunday | 1:00 | ages 9 to 12**
Family Workshop/Awash with Color
- 10 **Saturday | 10:30 | 1:30 | ages 6 to 8**
Family Workshop/Royal Adventure
- 11 **Sunday | 1:00 | ages 9 to 12**
Family Workshop/Awash with Color
- 17 **Saturday | 10:30 | 1:30 | ages 6 to 8**
Family Workshop/Royal Adventure
- 18 **Sunday | 1:00 | ages 9 to 12**
Family Workshop/Awash with Color
- 24 **Saturday | 10:30 | 1:30 | ages 6 to 8**
Family Workshop/Royal Adventure
- 25 **Sunday | 1:00 | ages 9 to 12**
Family Workshop/Awash with Color

November

- 1 **Sunday | 1:00 | ages 9 to 12**
Family Workshop/Awash with Color
- 7 **Saturday | 10:30 | ages 7 and up**
Film Program/The Secret of Kells
- 8 **Sunday | 11:30 | ages 7 and up**
Film Program/The Secret of Kells
- 8 **Sunday | 1:00 | ages 9 to 12**
Family Workshop/Awash with Color
- 15 **Sunday | 1:00 | ages 9 to 12**
Family Workshop/Awash with Color
- 22 **Sunday | 1:00 | ages 9 to 12**
Family Workshop/Awash with Color

December

- 5 **Saturday | 10:30 | ages 7 and up**
Film Program/Christmas Story
- 6 **Sunday | 11:30 | ages 7 and up**
Film Program/Christmas Story

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Family Activities
at the National Gallery
of Art, Washington



front, top: Sam Francis, *Speck* (detail), published 1971, 7-color lithograph (stone and aluminum) on Arjomari paper, Gift of Gemini G.E.L. and the Artist © 1997 The Estate of Sam Francis / Artists Rights Society (ARS), New York

front, middle: Film still from *Christmas Story*, scheduled to be shown on December 5, 6

front, bottom: Jasper Francis Cropsey, *The Spirit of War* (detail), 1851, oil on canvas, National Gallery of Art, Washington, Avalon Fund

right: Film still from *The Secret of Kells*, scheduled to be shown on November 7, 8

below: Film still from *Christmas Story*, scheduled to be shown on December 5, 6

film program

The Film Program for Children and Teens offers innovative film programming, enhances enjoyment of the Gallery's collections and exhibitions, and fosters an understanding of film as an art form. The program aims to represent a broad range of recently produced foreign and domestic films, including a variety of animation styles and live-action, and classics. Films are selected for their appeal to both youth and adult audiences; age recommendations are intended to guide parents in selecting the most emotionally and intellectually stimulating films for their children. Feature films are in English, unless otherwise noted.

All film programs are shown in the East Building Auditorium. Seating is offered on a first-come, first-served basis. Groups are welcome. Food and drink are not permitted. Programs are free and subject to change without notice. No advance registration. For up-to-date information on the current month's films, please call (202) 789-3030.



The Way Things Go
(Peter Fischli and David Weiss, Switzerland, 1987, 30 minutes)
Saturday, October 3 | 10:30 am
Sunday, October 4 | 11:30 am
ages 7 and up

Challenge and excite your imagination with two films that combine the wonders of science and art. *The Way Things Go* is a dynamic and engaging feast for the eyes. The film records a chain reaction filmed in real time. Watch as an installation of everyday objects comes rolling, sparking, foaming, and spinning to life. This film will be preceded by *The Goat That Ate Time* (Lucinda Schreiber, Australia, 2007, 7 minutes), an award-winning animated short that explores living in the moment. Henry the goat has a voracious appetite, but he doesn't have enough time to indulge in his favorite activity: eating. Discover what happens when Henry attempts to solve his dilemma by devouring time itself—in the form of watches and clocks!

The Secret of Kells
(Tomm Moore and Nora Twomey, Ireland / France / Belgium, 2009, 75 minutes)
Saturday, November 7 | 10:30 am
Sunday, November 8 | 11:30 am
ages 7 and up

Join us for this exquisitely animated story about the famed Book of Kells. The setting is Ireland in the ninth century, where the old Kells Abbey in a remote woodland area is home to twelve-year-old Brendan. He and the monks have been instructed by Brendan's authoritarian uncle to strengthen the fortifications in order to protect the abbey from a Viking invasion. Brendan's life changes forever when Brother Aidan comes to the abbey. A master illustrator, Aidan has more faith in the power of the written word than in walls. Brendan learns the art of illumination and is given the task of ornamenting the final pages of Aidan's very special book. But this assignment is not an easy one—Brendan must first survive a journey through forests inhabited by strange mythical beasts!



Christmas Story
(Juha Wuolijoki, Finland, 2007, 80 minutes)
Saturday, December 5 | 10:30 am
Sunday, December 6 | 11:30 am
ages 7 and up

Hundreds of years ago in a remote village in Lapland, a little boy named Nikolas loses his family in an accident. The villagers decide to look after the orphaned boy together. Once a year—at Christmas—Nikolas moves to a new home. To show his gratitude, Nikolas decides to make toys for the children of the families. Over the years, Nikolas's former adoptive families become many, and soon almost every house has presents on its doorstep on Christmas morning. At thirteen, Nikolas is sent to live and work with Iisakki, a grumpy old carpenter, who forbids Nikolas to continue making presents for Christmas. Gradually, however, Nikolas wins Iisakki's trust and together they uphold the Christmas tradition. When the aged Iisakki has to leave Nikolas and move away, the gift-giving tradition is once again at risk. Thankfully, Nikolas comes up with a solution that brings children joy every Christmas—even until today. *English-language version.*

To receive monthly announcements about upcoming programs, subscribe to the Gallery's e-newsletter for families: <http://subscribe.nga.gov>



family workshops

Family Workshops are designed for children and adults to participate in together. Taught by artists and museum educators, each two-hour workshop includes an interactive tour in the galleries followed by a hands-on studio session.

Workshops are free, but preregistration is required. To register, fill out the online registration form at www.nga.gov/programs/family.htm. See the complete listings at right for topics, required age range, dates, and times.

Do you have a high school student interested in attending a workshop? Learn more about our Teen Studio Saturdays and other teen programs at www.nga.gov/programs/teens.

Royal Adventure

Saturdays, October 3, 10, 17, and 24
 Morning session: 10:30 am to 12:30 pm
 Afternoon session: 1:30 to 3:30 pm
 Ages 6 to 8

Registration begins September 21 at noon
 Meet at Education Studio, East Building Concourse

Discover emperors and kings in the exhibition *The Art of Power: Royal Armor and Portraits from Imperial Spain*, and investigate their suits of armor, helmets, and shields. Led by Katie Solli.

Awash with Color

Sundays, October 4, 11, 18, 25, November 1, 8, 15, 22
 1:00 to 3:00 pm
 Ages 9 to 12

Registration begins September 21 at noon
 Meet at Education Studio, East Building Concourse

Explore paintings by Pablo Picasso through movement and drawing, and learn about the artist's Rose and Blue Periods. Then, create colorful paintings using a watercolor resist technique. Led by Molly Dalessandro.

Family and Teen Programs are made possible in part by the generosity of the Prince Charitable Trusts.

above, left: Flemish 17th century, *Helmet (Cabasset) of Philip IV, Flanders*, c. 1625, etched, embossed, and gilt steel, Patrimonio Nacional, Real Armería, Madrid © Patrimonio Nacional, Madrid, Real Armería

above, middle: Attributed to Lorenz Helmschmid, *Helmet*, Augsburg, c. 1490–1500, embossed and gold-damascened steel, etched and gilt brass, Patrimonio Nacional, Real Armería, Madrid © Patrimonio Nacional, Madrid, Real Armería

above, right: Kolman Helmschmid, *Helmet (Burgonet) of Emperor Charles V, Augsburg*, c. 1530, etched, embossed, and gold-damascened steel; fabric and leather, Patrimonio Nacional, Real Armería, Madrid © Patrimonio Nacional, Madrid, Real Armería

right: Pablo Picasso, *Le Gourmet (detail)*, 1901, oil on canvas, National Gallery of Art, Washington, Chester Dale Collection

back: Gustave Courbet, *Beach in Normandy (detail)*, c. 1872-1875, oil on canvas, National Gallery of Art, Washington, Chester Dale Collection



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Welcome to NGAkids!

This quarterly publication includes a calendar of events for kids at the National Gallery of Art, with program descriptions and dates as well as Inside Scoop, a pull-out section with information and activities about works of art that children and adults may enjoy together.

Please send your comments or suggestions to family@nga.gov.



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Upcoming Activities

Would you like to know the schedule of Family Programs before you receive this brochure? Check our Web site regularly for the most up-to-date calendar: www.nga.gov/programs/family.htm

Reminder

Events and street-closings occur year-round on the Mall. Please allow sufficient time to get to the Gallery. The nearest Metro stops are Judiciary Square on the Red Line, Archives on the Yellow/Green Lines, and Smithsonian on the Blue/Orange Lines. Metro bus stops are located on Fourth Street and Seventh Street NW.

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