



Please Save the Dates. Invitations to Follow.

Patrons Circle members
enjoy exclusive programs
that offer a front-row
seat to the Museum's
groundbreaking research,
renowned collections, and
leading voices in scientific
discovery.

For more information, call 212-769-5153
or email patrons@amnh.org.

Patrons Circle Exclusives

Science After Hours

In this popular evening series, Museum scientists, educators, and other leaders host intimate talks to give you a unique, insider's look at some of the Museum's most groundbreaking work. Each program begins with a short reception.

You are invited to attend all four events.

Gems & Minerals

Kate Kiseeva, Assistant Curator
Thursday, November 6, 2025
6–7:30 pm

Mammalogy

Angelo Soto-Centeno, Assistant Curator
Thursday, January 15, 2026
6–7:30 pm

Conservation Science

Jesse Barber, Curator
Thursday, February 5, 2026
6–7:30 pm

Invertebrate Zoology

Jessica Ware, Division Chair
Thursday, April 16, 2026
6–7:30 pm

State of the Museum Briefing

Thursday, October 16, 2025
6–7:30 pm

Invitation to a short reception and presentation hosted by senior museum staff.

Opportunity to attend available at the Naturalist Level and above.

President's Dinner

Tuesday, January 20, 2026
6–8:30 pm

Invitation to an intimate dinner with the Museum's President Sean Decatur.

Opportunity to attend available at the Curator Level and above.

Small Group Collection Tours

Invitation to an exclusive behind-the scenes tour of the Museum's collections and research facilities guided by senior Museum staff.

Opportunity to attend available at the Curator Level and above.

Research Library

Tom Baione, Harold Boeschstein Director
Tuesday, December 2, 2025
6–7:30 pm

Ichthyology

Melanie Stiassny, Curator
Tuesday, February 17, 2026
6–7:30 pm

Invertebrate Zoology

David Grimaldi, Curator
Tuesday, March 31, 2026
6–7:30 pm

Institute for Comparative Genomics

Melina Giakoumis, Associate Director
Wednesday, April 22, 2026
6–7:30 pm

Private Guided Tour

Enjoy a personalized tour of a permanent or special exhibition for up to 10 guests, led by an expert Museum guide during regular museum hours.

Opportunity to attend available at the Naturalist level and above. Family Scientists may request a family-friendly tour designed especially for children and caregivers.

To schedule, please email patrons@amnh.org at least two weeks in advance.

Special Access Open to All Patrons

Empowering the Climate Generation

Sunday, October 23, 2025

Young people today are coming of age in a world transformed by climate change. In this urgent and hopeful conversation, Chelsea Clinton, Vice Chair of the Clinton Foundation, moderates a discussion with John King, Chancellor of the State University of New York; Laura Schifter, author of *Students, Schools, and Our Climate Moment*; and Sean Decatur, President of the American Museum of Natural History; on how schools, libraries, and museums can empower youth with the knowledge, resilience, and tools to shape the future.

Limited tickets available to all Patrons Circle members upon request.

Year in Review

Thursday, January 8, 2026
7–9:30 pm

What's new in the universe? Neil deGrasse Tyson's yearly recap returns with highlights from 2024. Find out what's new in the cosmos as Tyson, the Frederick P. Rose Director of the Hayden Planetarium, takes us on a journey through the most significant scientific discoveries and events of the year.

Isaac Asimov Memorial Debate

Tuesday, March 17, 2026
7–9 pm

The Hayden Planetarium is honored to host the annual Isaac Asimov Memorial Debate. The Asimov Debate, moderated by Neil deGrasse Tyson, brings the finest minds in the world to the Museum each year to debate pressing questions on the frontier of scientific discovery. Patrons are also invited to a pre-debate reception.

Patrons receive two tickets and reserved seating for Year in Review or the Isaac Asimov Memorial Debate.

Know Before You Go

Program Access by Membership Level

Not sure which programs you’re eligible to attend?

Use this guide to see which events and experiences are available at your Patrons Circle level.

Program/Event	Available to
Science After Hours	All Patrons Circle members
Year in Review	All Patrons Circle members (2 tickets)
Isaac Asimov Memorial Debate	All Patrons Circle members (2 tickets & pre-debate toast)
Family Scientist Experiences	Family Scientist and above
Private Tours	Naturalist or Family Scientist and above
Patrons Circle Briefing	Naturalist and above
Small Group Collection Tours	Curator and above
President’s Dinner	Curator and above

If you have questions about your Patrons Circle membership, or would like to renew or upgrade, we’re here to help - contact us at patrons@amnh.org or 212-769-5153.

Information in this brochure was accurate as of August 2025

Family Scientist Exclusives

Family Scientist programming provides unique, year-round opportunities for families with children ages 3-12 to engage—together—in scientific and cultural exploration at the Museum.

Opportunities to attend the following events are available, upon request, at and above the Family Scientist (\$5,000) level.

Family Scientist Experiences

Held after school or on weekend mornings, these small-group sessions feature hands-on, age-appropriate learning activities specially developed and led by Museum educators. Participants also enjoy guided exploration of Museum halls, private access to learning lab and classroom space, and an afternoon or breakfast snack. Siblings and friends are welcome.

Save the Dates

Saturday, September 20, 2025

Monday, November 3, 2025

Three additional dates to be announced.

Member Programs Open to all Patrons

Member Evening Hours 6-8:00 pm

Explore the Museum after hours! Experience your favorite exhibitions without the crowds during monthly evening hours just for Members.

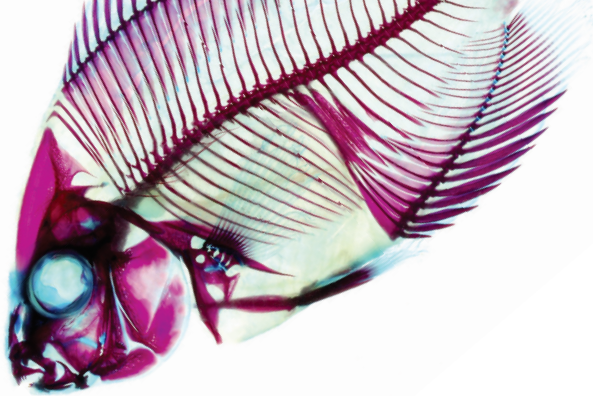
Tuesday, September 30, 2025
Wednesday, October 22, 2025
Tuesday, November 25, 2025
Tuesday, December 2, 2025
Wednesday, January 28, 2026
Tuesday, February 17, 2026
Tuesday, March 31, 2026
Wednesday, April 22, 2026
Wednesday, May 27, 2026
Tuesday, June 30, 2026

Please call 212-769-5599 to reserve tickets.

Star Party

Thursday, February 26, 2026
6-8:00 pm

A special, family-friendly evening in the Rose Center for Earth and Space. Space-themed crafts and activities for ages 5 and up, light food and drinks, and a live presentation in the Hayden Planetarium.



Exhibition Openings

Impact: The End of the Age of Dinosaurs
Explore the before-and-after story of the asteroid impact that led to the extinction of non-bird dinosaurs and the majority of animal and plant species on the planet.

Exhibition Preview Reception
Wednesday, November 12, 2025

Exhibition Preview Days
Friday, November 14 – Sunday, November 16, 2025

Invitations to follow.

Other Upcoming Programs

Walk on the Wild Side
8:30-9:30 am

A brisk morning walk through the Museum’s halls, exclusively for members.

Wednesday, January 7, 2026
Wednesday, January 14, 2026
Wednesday, January 21, 2026
Wednesday, January 28, 2026
Wednesday, February 4, 2026
Wednesday, February 11, 2026

Benefit Events

Enjoy these extraordinary gatherings and you’ll also be providing valuable support for the Museum’s mission and exhibitions.

For benefit event ticket availability and prices, please call 212-313-7161.

Family Party
Tuesday, October 21, 2025

One of the Museum’s most beloved traditions and the best family party in New York City features fascinating educational activities and dazzling entertainment for children of all ages.

Museum Gala
Thursday, December 4, 2025

A spectacular black-tie benefit set among the Museum’s legendary halls and featuring star-studded company, delicious dinner, and highly-anticipated musical entertainment.

Spring Lunch: Science, Society, and Our Environment
Wednesday, April 22, 2026

A panel of leading experts will discuss timely topics over an elegant luncheon beneath the blue whale.

