



Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art

Free Admission Options

As part of the Wadsworth Atheneum's Community Engagement Initiative to provide greater community access to the museum, a variety of free general admission options are available (special fees excluded). Select the option that best suits you and your family's schedule. While you visit, take advantage of docent-led tours, gallery talks, Discovery Day programs during February and April school vacations, and family gallery guides.

Free Morning Last Saturday Each Month

Completely funded by members of the museum's Board and our patrons, the Free Morning program provides free admission to all visitors the last Saturday of every month between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Library ARTpass

Visit your Connecticut public library and borrow the Wadsworth Atheneum ARTpass. Offered free of charge to more than 200 Connecticut public libraries, the ARTpass provides free general admission for two adults and two youth age 17 and younger. Select a "free day" that suits your family's calendar! *Not valid during fundraisers including Fine Art & Flowers (April 23 - 26, 2009) and Festival of Trees & Traditions (December 5 - 13, 2009).*

Hartford Youth

Our roots are in Hartford, and one of the ways we honor this is by offering Hartford students (grades K -12) with free admission year round. An extension of the free program offered to Hartford public schools, we encourage students to return with their families to share their experiences and create new ones together.

Community Open House

Several times each year, the Wadsworth Atheneum sponsors Community Open House days. More than free admission to the museum, Open House events feature special programming, activities, and performers to heighten the connection between visitors and the art. Upcoming Community Open House dates are:

Saturday - June 13, 2009 Juneteenth Family Day

Veteran's Recognition

On Saturday and Sunday, the weekend prior to the November 11 Veteran's Day, the Wadsworth Atheneum honors active and former military personnel with free admission to the museum. In 2009, these dates are November 7 and 8.

Bank of America Museums on Us

Bank of America gives its credit and debit cardholders free admission to the Wadsworth Atheneum the first weekend every month through April 2010. Visit www.bankofamerica.com/museums for details. Bank of America selected 70 arts and cultural institutions across the country. We're delighted to be a part of this annual partnership.

Evening Lectures

Most evening lectures, usually scheduled at 6 p.m., are free and open to the public. Check our website or drop by to pick up a Calendar of Events for a listing of upcoming events.