Kon Prokos

The Ella Sharp Museum was saddened to hear of the passing of Konstantin Prokos. A painter and poet, Prokos made important contributions to the arts in Michigan and beyond. He was a longtime supporter of the museum, participating in several art exhibitions. Our heartfelt condolences go out to his family. The museum is currently hosting a solo exhibition of Prokos' paintings, entitled Image as Idea. We are honored to share his work and will be extending Image as Idea until March 3.

Stroller Tours

2 p.m., Saturday, February 16
$4 per family/free for members and JDL cardholders

It's never too early to start visiting museums! Bring the little ones for a 15-minute visual tour of our galleries and story time on-site with the Jackson District Library. This experience is specially designed for infants to 18 months. The tour will be followed by a make & take keepsake.

"First Fridays"

First Friday of the Month
7–9 p.m., March 1–December 6
$10 per person, $15 per couple
free for members

We are excited to announce a new series called "First Fridays" that showcases the wonderful and varied resources the museum has to offer, including the Hadwin Center galleries at the Ella Sharp Museum, the Hurst Planetarium, and Cell Block 7. Starting in March, join us on the First Friday of the month to enjoy a special program along with a chance to socialize over light snacks and a cash bar. Programs will include lectures on telescopes around the world in the Hurst Planetarium, artist talks and hands-on exploration of new exhibits in the galleries, and the chance to learn more about the
Rescue Mission in Space Murder
Mystery at the Museum

6-9 p.m., March 23
$60 per person or $110 for 2 tickets
Members $55 per person or $100 for 2 tickets

Join us for another stimulating evening of fine dining and engrossing live theater as we host our second annual Mystery Dinner. In keeping with our year-long celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Hurst Planetarium, our production this year will be “Rescue Mission in Space,” an exciting story of black holes, disappearing planets and heroines. Tickets include dinner and entertainment, a cash bar is available. Costumes encouraged! If a museum member, please call 517.787.2320 for special member price.

Get Tickets Here!

Be Like Ella!

More than 100 years ago Ella Sharp willed her home to the people of Jackson to become a museum. Sustaining her legacy requires ongoing dedication and resources. Your generosity now helps ensure that Ella’s gift will last into the future. Show your commitment to Jackson by donating to the museum today!
2019 Planetarium Public Shows

Sundays at 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., & Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

Perseus and Andromeda
Sundays at 1:30 p.m.
now-March 1

Experience the ancient legends of the night sky! Perseus & Andromeda is a fun-filled retelling of the legendary Princess Andromeda and Perseus, as they try to escape the great sea monster set upon Andromeda by her mother, Cassiopeia. Recommended for Ages 5-13.

Chasing the Ghost Particle
Sundays at 2:30 p.m. & Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.
now-February 14

Deep in the ice at the heart of Antarctica, the biggest and strangest detector in the world waits for mysterious messengers from the cosmos. Chasing the Ghost Particle will take you on a journey, from the South Pole to the edge of the universe, that you will never forget.

The Sun: Our Living Star
Sundays at 2:30 p.m. & Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.
February 17–April 30

The Sun has shone on our world for four and a half billion years. The light that warms our skin today has been felt by every person who has ever lived. Discover the secrets of our star in this planetarium show and experience never-before-seen images of the Sun's violent surface in immersive fulldome format.

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EXHIBITS at the ELLA

IMAGE AS IDEA
Now–March 3, 2019

PETTICOAT PATRIOTS
December 21, 2018–March 3, 2019

THE LIVING WILDERNESS
January 11–June 30, 2019