

Codington County Heritage Museum

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2025 Summer Youth Programs

Created for K-6 students. Free

Weekly Programs at the Museum: Monday and Wednesday 2:30-3:30 pm. A different program each week, but the same program is given on each Mon and Wed of the same week.

June 2 & 4: A Kid's World in the 1980's

-Learn about how children lived in the 1980's and what they did for fun. We will be playing fun games that children in the 80s used to play and what those games are.

June 9 & 11: Dream Catchers

-Have you ever wondered what those beautiful catchers are hanging on walls? Well, today, we are going to learn about the history of dream catchers and why Native Americans use them while creating one of your own.

June 16 & 18: Blizzard Party

-Spring is for looking at flowers and enjoying the beautiful weather, but have you ever heard of a spring blizzard? Today we will learn about the historical April blizzard that left Watertown in deep snow. We will learn about the blizzard's effects and create a fun snow craft.

June 23 & 25: History of Lake Kampeska

-Today, we will explore the history of Lake Kampeska, including its ties to Native Americans. We will also create a fun lake craft.

June 30 & July 2: Patriotic Pinwheels and History of Fireworks

-The Fourth of July is a time to appreciate the amazing and beautiful country we get to call home. Today, we will be celebrating the US by creating patriotic pinwheels and learning about the history of Fireworks.

July 7 & 9: History of Watertown. What makes Watertown a great place to live?

-Learn about how Watertown became a town and what makes Watertown a great place to live. We will go on a scavenger hunt to find all of the amazing places in Watertown.

July 14 & 16: Scarecrows

-Have you ever wondered what the purpose of scarecrows is? Today we will talk about what scarecrows are and what they do for farmers. We will also create our own scarecrows for ourselves.

July 21 & 23: Printing Press

-We'll explore what printing presses are and how they have evolved into the modern technology we use today.

July 28 & 30: Beaded Necklaces

-Learn about the importance of beaded necklaces to the Native Americans while creating one of your own.

August 4 & 6: State Foods of South Dakota

-Today, we will be learning about our state's national food and its origins. We will also be learning how to make these dishes and tasting them as well.

This program is supported by the Watertown Area United Way.