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## World Awareness Children's Museum Debuts Virtual Classroom Programs

Glens Falls, NY – World Awareness Children's Museum enthusiastically announces its new virtual classroom programs. During virtual programs, museum educators teach students about a variety of topics via video and interactive online activities. Each program features art and artifacts from the museum's extensive collections.

World Awareness Children's Museum's virtual classroom programs are a new way for students across the country to experience the museum's traditional education programs, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. Museum educators teach live via Zoom, Google Meet, and other video conferencing programs to a classroom of students, whether the students are learning at a school or at home.

Currently, the museum offers Chinese New Year virtual classroom programs for students in kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Museum staff are working hard on upcoming virtual classroom programs, including:

- "Flags & Countries," a look at international flags, their symbolism, and how they relate to citizen values (for 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade);
- "Discover Brazil," a lesson about Brazilian geography, culture, and the Amazon Rainforest (for 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade); and
- "Our Earth, Keep It Clean," a program that teaches about recycling, global environmental issues, and how to keep our environment clean (for kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade).

More programs will be available throughout 2021.

Recent reviews from participating teachers:

"I'm so happy you decided to do virtual programming this year so that children could access the amazing resources of your museum," said Jessica Melchior, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher at Jefferson Elementary in Schenectady. "Your educators were highly engaging and there was a great balance in the presentation between use of technology and hands-on activities."

"Once again, this presentation and presenter did not disappoint!" said Kristin Reilly, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher at Jefferson Elementary in Schenectady. "All children were called out and recognized throughout the entire presentation, making the students feel important!! The presenter actively engaged all students, was prepared, ... and most importantly, the presentation as a whole, was flawless via Google Meet. I am extremely pleased with this program and look forward to booking again next year!"

Virtual classroom programs are available to any school throughout the United States and abroad. All virtual programs are one hour and can accommodate up to 30 students per presentation. For pricing, more information about classroom programs, and to book a program for your class, please contact Emily F.

Wood, Membership & Program Coordinator, at 518-793-2773 ext. 303, or via email at emily@worldchildrensmuseum.org.

## Image information:

Rebeka Antonelli, Museum Educator, prepares to teach a virtual lesson about Chinese New Year to a 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade class in Schenectady, NY.



### **About World Awareness Children's Museum**

The World Awareness Children's Museum has been a NYS Designated Charter Museum since 1995 with a mission to inspire curiosity and foster understanding and appreciation of worldwide cultural diversity. Its collection is comprised of pieces from 140 countries including 8,000+ artifacts (fashion, musical instruments, dolls, toys, and other objects) as well as 7,000+ pieces of international children's art. World Awareness Children's Museum is a 501(c)(3) organization. For more information, visit www.worldchildrensmuseum.org.

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