

Step into Spring!

**From birds and beads to
plants and poison, spring at
the museum has something
for everyone!**

A large, realistic elephant statue is the central focus, standing on a paved path. Its trunk is curled upwards. In the foreground, a person dressed as a duck in a green jacket, white pants, and orange boots is striking a playful pose while holding a yellow umbrella. The background shows a park-like setting with trees and a green fence.

**MUSEUM
OF NATURAL
AND CULTURAL
HISTORY**

THURSDAY NIGHTS AT THE MUSEUM



Chinstrap Penguins of Elephant Island

Thursday, April 21

Presentation: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Book signing: 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Join scientist, photographer, and all-around good birder Noah Strycker for a visit to Antarctica's windswept Elephant Island.

**Registration opens April 6
(April 5 for members)**



What Grows Here? Exploring Oregon's Plant Diversity

Thursday, May 12

6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Join botanist and OregonFlora director Linda Hardison to discover the why and where of plant diversity in our state.

**Registration opens May 4
(May 3 for members)**



The Archaeology Of A Chinese Gift Store And Restaurant In Eugene's Market District

Thursday, May 19

6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Join MNCH archaeologists for a glimpse into how a Chinese American-owned business successfully operated amidst racist laws and a predominantly Euro-American community.

Cosponsored by the Oregon Historical Society.

**Registration opens May 4
(May 3 for members)**

*Included with museum admission. Admission is always free for members and UO ID holders.
Show your Oregon Trail or other EBT card for discounts. Questions? Call 541-346-3024 or visit mnch.uoregon.edu.*

OPEN UNTIL 8 P.M. EVERY THURSDAY



Nature Night: Birds of Oregon

Thursday, May 26
5:30 to 7:00 p.m.



Herb and Ruth Wisner

Join Cascades Raptor Center, Lane County Audubon Society, and Eugene Natural History Society for an evening of bird appreciation dedicated to longtime Eugene ornithologist, Herb Wisner (1922-2022).

Drop in event; no reservations required. Included with museum admission. Admission is always free for members and UO ID holders.



PAST AND PRESENTS,
the museum store, welcomes spring
with new merchandise.

Books, birds, botanicals, and more!



VIRTUAL PROGRAM

IDEAS ON TAP

The Museum's Monthly Pub Talk —Served Online!

First Wednesday of the Month
Live on Zoom and Facebook

Quench your thirst for knowledge!
Mark your calendars and visit
mnch.uoregon.edu for details.

Questions? Contact Lauren Willis at
lmw@uoregon.edu or 541-346-3030.

Wednesday, April 6 | 6:00 p.m.

Poison Elixirs—

When a Solution is not the Solution

with Lindsay Hinkle, chemist and
instructor in the Clark Honors College

Wednesday, May 4 | 6:00 p.m.

Tell Your Story, Change the World

with Kimberly Johnson, author of *This
Is My America* and vice provost in the
Division of Undergraduate Education
and Student Success at UO

VIRTUAL PROGRAM

MUSEUM CHAT

A members-only virtual series

Tuesday, April 12 | 11:00 a.m.

Opening the Vault for Student Research. Join anthropologist Alison Carter to
hear about her students' exploration of beads and bangles from around the world.

Registration required. Watch your monthly Membership Matters email to register.
Questions? Contact Ruth Hyde at rhyde@uoregon.edu *or* 541-346-1671.



NATURAL ATHLETES

*Track & Field Champs
of the Animal Kingdom*



NEW EXHIBIT

EXHIBIT PREVIEW

Wednesday, June 8

Members Reception 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Free Public Preview 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Hightail it to the museum for a track & field competition like no other—with tigers, kangaroos, chimps, and other mammals all going for gold!

Join us for a special re-opening celebration in the Galleria. First opened in March 2020 but interrupted by the pandemic, we are excited to bring the exhibit back before this summer's World Athletics Championships Oregon22.

RSVP online or contact Ruth Hyde at rhyde@uoregon.edu or 541-346-1671.

NEW EXHIBIT

BIRD EGGS AND NESTS—Photographs of the Museum's Collection

A project in partnership with the UO Environmental Leadership Program

On view starting Wednesday, June 8

Students from the University of Oregon Environmental Leadership Program course illuminate the incredible beauty and ingenuity of nature through photographs of eggs and nests from the museum's collection.





IN-PERSON EVENT

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION WEEKEND

Friday, April 22, through Sunday, April 24
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Join us at the museum to celebrate our home planet—and the people who steward it—with hands-on, bilingual English-Spanish activities for the whole family.

IN-PERSON TOURS

NATIVE PLANT TOURS

Saturday, April 16 | 1:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 21 | 1:00 p.m.

Celebrate spring with a walk and talk in and around the museum's Glenn Starlin Native Plant Courtyard guided by members of Native Plant Society of Oregon, Emerald Chapter.

Visit mnch.uoregon.edu or call 541-346-3024 to learn more. Tours are first come; first served.



Events are included with regular museum admission. Admission is always free for members and UO ID holders. Show your Oregon Trail or other EBT card for discounts.

MUSEUM STORE

GIFTS FOR GRADS!

Wednesday, June 8, through Monday, June 13

Shopping for the science grad in your life? Head to the museum store! From geoscience tea infusers to chemistry pendants, we've got the perfect science-themed gift.

Special discounts on non-consignment items:

20% off for MNCH members

10% off for everyone

free canvas tote with your purchase of \$50 or more



ONLINE FAMILY FUN

Explore From Home

Access free, bilingual programs for youth and families.
Find it at mnch.uoregon.edu.

New pages coming in spring!



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OPEN FOR COMMENCEMENT

CONGRATULATIONS, DUCK GRADUATES!

Monday, June 13 | 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Open and free

On UO Commencement, the museum celebrates the Class of 2022 by offering free admission to grads, families, and everyone else.



Please visit mnch.uoregon.edu for the most current information about our pandemic safety measures. Public hours and safety protocols are subject to change based on guidance from the University of Oregon and the Oregon Health Authority.

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