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Earth Day Sound Bath, World Premiere of “Borealis” Concert & Other April Events

PITTSBURGH – The Frick Pittsburgh will host a wide array of April events from an outdoor concert with a sound healer and musician on Earth Day to the debut of a contemporary multimedia concert called “Borealis.”

More details on all of the Frick’s April events can be found below.

April Events at the Frick

Spring Break Programming

March 31-April 5

For the first time this year, the Frick will be hosting both free and paid family-friendly activities during Pittsburgh Public Schools' spring break at the end of March and beginning of April.

Bird Scavenger Hunt

March 31-April 5, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Birds are flocking to the Frick! Look up, down, and all around for birds wearing their best spring break outfits on this free scavenger hunt.

Grab a Scavenger Hunt Sheet at the Grable Visitor Center. Once visitors have found each bird, they can return their completed sheet to a staff member at the front desk in

the Visitor Center to claim their prize. Free and open to all. thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Bird-Scavenger-Hunt.

Drop-in artmaking

March 31, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Make a mixed-media sculpture of your favorite—or not so favorite—bug. Free and open to all. thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Drop-In-Artmaking-March-31.

Drop-in artmaking

April 3, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Create your own traditional Pittsburgh everything-between-the-bread sandwich using paper and your imagination. Free and open to all. thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Drop-In-Artmaking-April-3.

Youth Art Workshop: Bird Sculptures

April 2, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

In this workshop, participants will design their own bird. Students will learn basic hand-building techniques and ways to incorporate a variety of mixed-media materials from teaching artist Liz Wells. Everyone will leave with their own bird and habitat, ready for display. This workshop is designed for students in grades 4-6. \$40 members, \$45 non-members. Tickets are available at thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Youth-Art-Workshop-Bird-Sculptures.

Lunch Pail Lecture: The Pittsburgh Survey

April 2 at 12 p.m.

Join Jennie Benford, Local History Librarian at the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, for a close look at The Pittsburgh Survey, a 1907-8 sociological study that exposed living and working conditions for the working class. Admission to the “Lewis Hine Pictures America” exhibition is not included. \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members, \$5 for college students with ID. Tickets are available at thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Lunch-Pail-Lecture-The-Pittsburgh-Survey.

The World Premiere of Borealis: A Constellation of Classical and New Music in Concert

April 12 at 7:30 p.m.

Performed for the first time anywhere, this contemporary multimedia concert was conceived by soprano Lilly Abreu and media artist Andrés Tapia-Urzuúa. It features members of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, the Pittsburgh Cello Quartet, and Cello Fury, and is conducted by Flávio Chamis. The program brings together works by Couperin, Dvořák, Gardel, Ginastera, Mozart, Villa-Lobos, Cummings, and others. It will also feature the world premiere of a new work by internationally acclaimed Chilean composer Boris Alvarado, written especially for this event. Live music is interwoven with immersive video art to create a richly layered performance experience. The ticket price includes a 75-minute concert immediately followed by a meet-and-greet reception with the artists, lite bites by Mercearia Brasil Market, a glass of wine (21+), and

access to the Frick's permanent art collection. \$35 for members; \$45 for non-members; \$25 for college students with ID. Tickets are available at thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Borealis-A-Constellation-of-Classical-and-New-Music-in-Concert.

Adult Art Workshop: Doodle Bowl Casting

April 11 at 2 p.m.

Inspired by the craftsmanship and labor depicted in the “Lewis Hine Pictures America” exhibition, this workshop allows all participants to design and carve a bowl that will be cast in solid aluminum. Co-presented with Rivers of Steel’s metal arts team and held at the historic Carrie Blast Furnace, all participants will leave with a new, functional work of art. No experience is needed. Admission to the “Lewis Hine Pictures America” exhibition is not included. \$90 for members; \$105 for non-members; \$80 for college students with ID. Tickets are available at thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Adult-Art-Workshop-Doodle-Bowl-Casting.

The "Saint" in Upper St. Clair

April 16 at 6 p.m.

Hear from art historian Florian Schmitt and The Frick Pittsburgh chief curator, Dawn Brean, as they examine the journey of the lost masterpiece "Madonna 207B," and the professional and personal connections made to it. For over half a century, the Renaissance masterpiece from the workshop of Leonardo da Vinci was a ghost. Officially recorded as "destroyed by fire" in a Berlin flak-tower in 1945, its fate remained one of the great mysteries of the post-war art world until it was uncovered by Florian Schmitt in 2025. This talk moves beyond the dry archives of provenance research to explore the painting's secret American reality: six decades spent as an unsuspecting centerpiece of suburban life in Pittsburgh. \$10 for members; \$15 for non-members; \$5 for college students with ID. Tickets are available at thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-The-Saint-in-Upper-St-Clair.

Film Screening: “An American Tail”

April 19 at 2 p.m.

Celebrate the exhibition, “Lewis Hine Pictures America,” with a screening of the classic animated film, “An American Tail” (1986). Follow Fievel Mousekewitz as he and his family emigrate from the Russian Empire to the United States in 1885, with the hopes of freedom and change. Things don’t go according to plan when Fievel is separated from his family and must find his way back. Admission to the “Lewis Hine Pictures America” exhibition is not included. \$5 for members; \$10 for non-members; \$5 for college students with ID. Tickets are available at thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Film-Screening-An-American-Tail.

Symphony of Nature: Spring Sound Bath Concert

April 22 at 6 p.m.

Celebrate Earth Day and the spring season with an outdoor crystal bowl sound bath concert on the Frick's grounds. Led by sound healer and musician Brooke Smokelin, this experience invites you to take the time to relax, deeply listen, and tune in with nature and yourself. Visitors are encouraged to bring a mat, blanket, or lawn chair. The 75-minute program will be followed by a

brief Q&A with the artist. Tickets are available at thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Symphony-of-Nature-Spring-Sound-Bath-Concert.

Research Your Roots: Genealogy 101

April 29 at 6 p.m.

Interested in researching your family's history? Join the Frick and the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh's Local History Department to learn how to get started, what questions to ask and which resources the library has for you. Admission to the "Lewis Hine Pictures America" exhibition is not included. \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members, \$5 for college students with ID. Tickets are available at thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Research-Your-Roots-Genealogy-101.

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About The Frick Pittsburgh

Since 1990, The Frick Pittsburgh has welcomed visitors to its 10-acre cultural campus in the heart of Pittsburgh's East End. Gifted to the people of Pittsburgh by Helen Clay Frick, daughter of noted industrialist and art collector Henry Clay Frick, the campus is home to Clayton, the family's Gilded Age mansion, now listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The *Gilded, Not Golden* tour of Clayton was honored with a 2024 Leadership in History Award from the American Association for State and Local History.

The campus also includes The Frick Art Museum, the Car and Carriage Museum, a greenhouse, gardens, and welcoming café. Through its permanent collections, traveling exhibitions, historic tours, and public programs, the Frick invites all visitors to experience history and art, reframed for today. Discover more about The Frick Pittsburgh at TheFrickPittsburgh.org.

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