

T.C. STEELE STATE HISTORIC SITE PREK-12 PROGRAMS



FALL 2023-SUMMER 2024

Where Nature's Beauty Meets Artist's Canvas

Experience the rolling hills, scenic vistas and majestic trees that inspired noted Hoosier landscape painter T.C. Steele and his wife, Selma, to build their home and cultivate beauty and art in Brown County. The 211-acre site includes extensive gardens and grounds, the Singing Winds Visitor Center, the House of the Singing Winds and Large Studio, T.C.'s Outdoor Studio, five hiking trails and the 92-acre Selma Steele Nature Preserve.

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SCHOOL GROUP TOURS

PreK-Grade 12

Fee: Admission is FREE for pre-registered, accredited schools or homeschool groups of 10 or more K-12 students. Free admission includes teachers and bus drivers, plus one additional adult chaperone per every five students. Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate of \$10/person.

Contact site for non-Indiana student rate.

Pre-registration required at least two weeks in advance.

The school group tour includes a guided tour of the 1907 home and 1916 Large Studio of artist T.C. Steele and his wife Selma, plus students will see the grounds, Visitor Center and T.C.'s Outdoor Studio.

DISCOVER

DISCOVER programs offer educator resources to supplement your classroom curriculum and e-learning, or to enhance a fieldtrip experience for PreK through grade 12 students with free, downloadable resources including exhibit guides, historic site correlations, learning guides, literature connections, community resources and website links.

T.C. STEELE BOOK LIST

Download our free [book list](#) provided by T.C. Steele State Historic Site.

EXPLORE

Whether it's at the site, outreach or virtual, we offer hands-on, exploratory and interactive programs on a variety of topics that provide your students a fun way to learn about Indiana's people, places and things. All programs fulfill select Indiana Academic Standards.

AT SITE DETAILS

K-Grade 12

Length: 45-60 minutes

Max. number of students: 25

Cost: \$4/student

Pre-K

Length: 45-60 minutes

Max. number of students: 20

Cost: \$2/student

OUTREACH DETAILS

Length: 45-60 minutes

Cost: \$100/1st session; \$75/additional sessions

Travel fees: 30-60 miles=\$20; 60-90 miles=\$40; 90+ miles=\$60

PREK

ART ELEMENTS!

Available: at site, outreach

Experiment with line and color when we explore the works of the Hoosier artist, T.C. Steele. Create your own masterpiece with paint you mixed yourself. Afterwards, make a splash creating a collaborative work of art.

Indiana's Early Learning Standards: CA3.1, CA3.2, CA3.3, CA2.1, SS2.1, SS2.2, APL1.2, APL2.1, SC1.2, SC4.1, ELA1.3, M4.2, APL3.1, PHG3.1

ICE AGE ANIMALS

Available: at site, outreach

BIG animals roamed Indiana a long time ago! Together we will identify Ice Age fossils and learn how paleontologists dig for these interesting creatures with hands-on activities.

Indiana's Early Learning Standards: SC3.1, SC2.2, SC4.1, SC1.1, SC1.2, APL4.1, SC5.1, SC1.1, SC1.2, APL4.1, APL1.2, M3.1, M5.1, APL1.2, APL1.2, APL3.1, SS2.2, SS3.3, PHG3.1, PHG3.2

UNDERGROUND ANIMALS

Available: at site, outreach

What is living under our feet? Identify and investigate what creeps and crawls underground at the T.C. Steele State Historic Site, and how these creatures prepare for the changing seasons!

Indiana's Early Learning Standards: M2.1, M3.1, M5.1; M5.2, SE4.1, APL1.1, APL2.1, APL3.1, APL4.1, SC1.1, SC1.2, SC2.2, SC3.1, SC4.1, SS2.2, SS3.1, SS3.2, SS3.3, CA3.1, CA3.2, CA3.3, CA4.1, APL1.2; SC5.1; SS3.3, PHG3.1, PHG3.2

NATURE EXPLORERS

Available: at site

You're invited to be a naturalist-in-training, while we use our senses to experience and explore nature at the T.C. Steele State Historic Site. Weather dependent, we will spend a lot of our time together as outdoor explorers.

Indiana's Early Learning Standards: ELA1.1, ELA1.3, M2.2, M3.1, M4.1, M5.2, APL1.1, APL1.2, APL2.1, APL3.1, APL4.1, SC1.1, SC1.2, SC2.1, SC3.1, SC5.1, SS3.1, CS3.1, CS3.2, CA4.1, PHG2.1, PHG2.2, PHG3.1

K-GRADE 2

ART ELEMENTS!

Available: at site, outreach

Line! Shape! Texture! Space! Color! How did T.C. Steele use art elements to create his masterpieces? Find out when your students create their very own three-dimensional sculpture. Students will explore how artists use these elements as tools to create with this hands-on workshop.

Indiana Academic Standards VA:Cr1.1.Ka, VA:Cr1.2.Ka, VA:Cr2.1.Ka, VA:Cr3.1.Ka; VA:Cr1.1.1a; VA:Cr1.2.1a,

VA:Cr2.1.1a, VA:Cr2.3.1a, VA:Cr3.1.1.a, VA:PR4.1.1a, VA:Re8.1.1a, VA:Re8.1.2a; VA:Cr1.2.2a, VA:Cr2.1.2a, VA:Cr3.1.2a; VA:Re9.1.2a

GRADES 3-5

ART EXPLORATIONS

Available: at site, outreach

Students will learn how artists create composition, using math. Using the Rule of Thirds, they'll create their own compositions in a sketch and use that to paint their one-of-a-kind masterpiece, keeping in mind the art elements, principles of design, subject matter and characteristics of form.

Indiana Academic Standards VA:Cr1.1.3a, VA:Cr1.2.3a, VA:Cr2.1.3a, VA:Re7.1.3a, VA:Re.7.2.3a, VA:Re8.1.3a, VA:Cn10.1.3a; VA:Cr1.1.4a, VA:Cr2.1.4a, VA:Cr2.2.4a; VA:Pr5.1.4a, VA:Re8.1.4a, VA:Re8.1.4a; VA:Cr1.1.5a, VA:Cr2.1.5a, VA:Cr2.2.5a; VA:Re7.1.5a, VA:Re8.1.5a, VA:Re8.1.5a, VA:Cn10.1.5a

NATURE'S ENGINEERS

Available: at site

Nature is full of engineers! Explore how our animal friends construct their homes and select their habitat. Students will use the design process to brainstorm solutions, build prototypes and test their own habitat design.

Indiana Academic Standards: 3-LS1-1, 3-LS3-1, 3-LS4-2, 3-LS4-3, 3-LS4-4, 3-5-ETS1-1, 3-5-ETS1-2, 3-5-ETS1-3, 4-LS1-1, 4-LS1-2, 5-LS2-1

GRADES 3-8

IMAGINING THE PAST, PREDICTING THE FUTURE

Fee: \$75/1-hour Zoom call for classrooms with 25-30 students

Available: virtual (upon request)

Registration required two weeks prior

Practice the elements of design and basic art elements through the art of T.C. Steele. Create your own masterpiece as you examine contemporary and historic photographs and envision what the historic site will be like in 100 years! This program includes a one-hour Zoom call with a museum educator. Materials needed: white paper, pencil, crayons/colored pencils/markers.

Indiana Academic Standards: VA:Cr1.1.3a, VA:Cr1.2.3a, VA:Cr1.1.4a, VA:Cr1.1.5a, VA:Cr1.2.5a, VA:Cr2.1.Ka, VA:Cr2.2.Ka, VA:Cr2.1.1a, VA:Cr2.2.1a, VA:Cr2.1.2a, VA:Cr2.2.2a, VA:Cr2.3.2a; 6.1.16; 6.1.20; 8.1.28; 8.1.31; VA:Cr2.1.6a; VA:Cr2.1.7a; VA:Cr2.1.8a; VA:Cr2.3.6a; VA:Cr2.3.7a; VA:Pr4.1.6a; VA:Pr4.1.7a; VA:Pr6.1.6a; VA:Pr6.1.7a; VA:Pr6.1.8a; VA:Re7.1.6a; VA:Re.7.1.7a; VA:Re.7.1.8a

ARE YOU AN IMPRESSIONIST OR A REALIST?

Available: at site, outreach

Inspired by Steele's paintings that model Realism and Impressionism, your students will discover their own tastes and aesthetics when they experiment with their preferred style, and subject!

Indiana Academic Standards: VA:Cr1.1.6a, VA:Re8.1.6a; VA:Cr1.2.7a, VA:Re8.1.7a; VA:Cr1.2.8a; VA:Cr2.3.8a, VA:Re7.1.8a; HS Proficient VA:Cr1.1.1a, HS Accomplished VA:Cr1.2.11a, HS Advanced VA:Cr1.2.11a, HS Accomplished VA:Cr2.1.11a, HS Accomplished VA:Pr6.1.11a, HS Accomplished VA:Re.7.1.11a; DSF-3.1, DSF-3.2, DSF-3.3, DSF-3.4

EUREKA! EKPHRASIS!

Available: at site, outreach

An ekphrastic poem is inspired by a work of art. Students will read poems inspired by two famous paintings, then look to one of T.C. Steele's paintings to inspire, then write, their own poems.

Indiana Academic Standards: VA:Cr1.1.6a, VA:Re8.1.6a, VA:Cr1.2.7a, VA:Re8.1.7a, VA:Cr1.2.8a; VA:Cr2.3.8a, VA:Re7.1.8a; HS Proficient VA:Cr1.1.1a, HS Accomplished VA:Cr1.2.11a, HS Advanced VA:Cr1.2.11a, HS Accomplished VA:Cr2.1.11a, HS Accomplished VA:Pr6.1.11a, HS Accomplished VA:Re.7.1.11; 3.RC.1, 3.RC.3, 3.RC.4, 3.RC.5, 3.RC.11, 3.RC.13, 3.W.2, 3.W.3, 3.W.4, 3.CC.1, 4.RC.1, 4.RC.3, 4.RC.4, 4.RC.5, 4.RC.8, 4.W.3, 4.CC.1, 5.RC.1, 5.RC.3, 5.RC.4, 5.RC.6, 5.RC.11, 5.RC.12, 5.W.3, 5.CC.1, 6.RC.1, 6.RC.3, 6.RC.4, 6.RC.6, 6.RC.7, 6.RC.10, 6.W.3, 6.CC.1, 7.RC.1, 7.RC.6, 7.RC.7, 7.RC.10, 7.RC.11, 7.W.3, 7.CC.1, 8.RC.1, 8.RC.4, 8.RC.5, 8.RC.8, 8.RC.11, 8.W.3, 8.CC.1

DESIGN YOUR VISIT

Educators may request a specialty program or activity for an additional fee. Programs include art, history, nature, science, engineering and multidisciplinary learning. Call 812.988.2785 for details.

PLAN YOUR VISIT TO OUR STATE HISTORIC SITES

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The Indiana State Museum and Historic Sites is 12-location museum system. The museum is centrally located in Indianapolis and the 11 historic sites are scattered across the state. Each location has a unique story to tell and offers programs that satisfy many of the Indiana Academic Standards. [Click the name of the location to learn more about their PreK-12 educational offerings.](#)

SOUTHWEST REGION

Angel Mounds, Evansville
New Harmony, New Harmony
Vincennes, Vincennes

CENTRAL REGION

Levi and Catharine Coffin, Fountain City
T.C. Steele, Nashville
Whitewater Canal, Metamora

NORTH REGION

Gene Stratton-Porter, Rome City
Limberlost, Geneva

SOUTHEAST REGION

Corydon Capitol, Corydon
Culbertson Mansion, New Albany
Lanier Mansion, Madison

