



BRICK STORE MUSEUM

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PRACTICE YOUR ABCs AT THE BRICK STORE MUSEUM'S SPECIAL FAMILY NIGHT

KENNEBUNK – In the spirit of the back-to-school season, The Brick Store Museum is hosting a “Back-to-School ABCs” open house for families on Friday, September 23 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the Museum’s popular *Kennebunks A to Z* exhibition. This special after-hours event will feature exhibition-related scavenger hunts and activity sheets, craft projects for children, and light refreshments. Admission is by donation; suggested \$5 per family and free for Museum members.

The Kennebunks A to Z exhibition, which opened in June, is an alphabetical romp through regional history and the Museum's permanent collections. In beginning with "A is for Abenaki" and ending with "Z is for Zion's Hill," visitors learn about the people, places, broad themes and events that have shaped the Kennebunks over the centuries. The exhibition is a touchstone to the past and a fresh, playful look at the familiar. Youngsters will enjoy ringing the Safeguard fire engine bell, viewing photographs and artifacts from the area's schools of yesteryear, and seeing the sign from Park Street School, which was donated to the Museum earlier this spring by MSAD 71. “This family night offers a fun opportunity for children to experience the Museum, and we look forward to welcoming long-time friends and first-time visitors,” said the Museum’s executive director, Tracy Baetz. The exhibition remains on view through December 2005.

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The Brick Store Museum is located at 117 Main Street in Kennebunk’s historic district. The museum is dedicated to preserving and exhibiting the region’s rich cultural heritage. Its galleries and research archives are open to the public year-round: Tuesdays – Fridays, 10 – 4:30 and Saturdays, 10 – 1. Visit www.brickstoremuseum.org or call 207.985.4802 for further information.

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