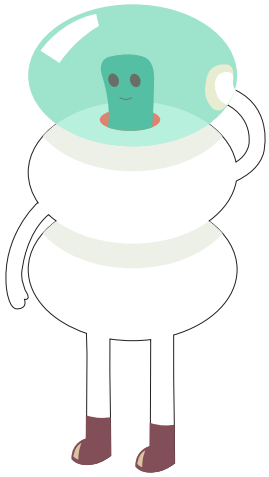


Explore the building.

How is this place different from other places you have visited (lighting, sounds, colors, furniture/objects)? Be sure to enjoy the plants in the conservatory, too.



Think about themes.

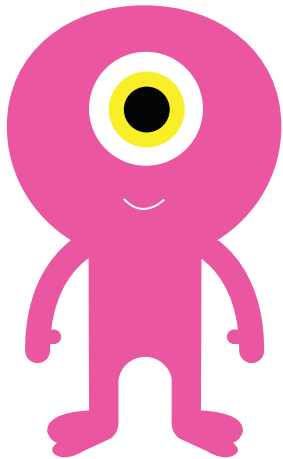
Often, the artworks in each exhibition space have something in common. Can you guess what unites them (subject matter, decade when they were made, artist, media, etc.)?

Let your child's interests guide you.

Explore a few artworks in-depth. What intrigues your child (strong emotions, unusual or familiar subject matter, size, colours, etc.)?

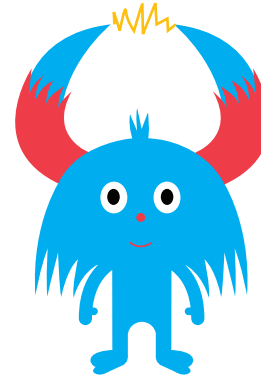
Look closely.

Tell me what you see. Children can name colours and shapes, and list the materials used to create artwork. Play a game of "I Spy."



Imagine even more.

After children have identified what they see, ask them to imagine what happened before this "scene," and what might happen next.



Make connections.

Ask children questions so they can relate their own experiences to the art. What does this artwork remind you of? Where have you seen something similar or different? How does this make you feel, and why?

Gather information.

Wall labels and text panels tell you more about the artwork. Does the title of the artwork match what you think the artwork is about? What would

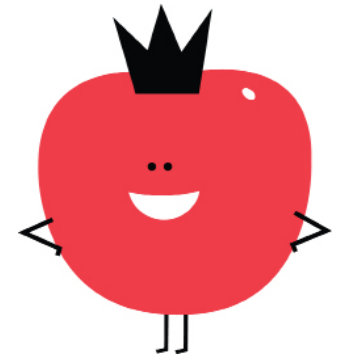
you name it and why? Does anything surprise you after reading the label?

Change your perspective.

View artworks from close up and far away. Squint at the work. Be sure to walk around three-dimensional artworks (sculpture) to see how they change.

Take the learning home.

Make an artwork inspired by your favorite piece. Create a picture telling the story of your gallery visit. Draw yourself at the Gallery. Imagine what kind of artwork or exhibition you would enjoy!



Enjoy more Free Family Fun!

- Something on Sundays artists facilitate drop-in artmaking every Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m.
- studioXPRESS is a drop-in DIY artmaking studio space open most days and evenings. Materials and inspiration are provided.
- Watch for the Sasktel Mendel Art Caravan bringing artmaking to your neighbourhood.

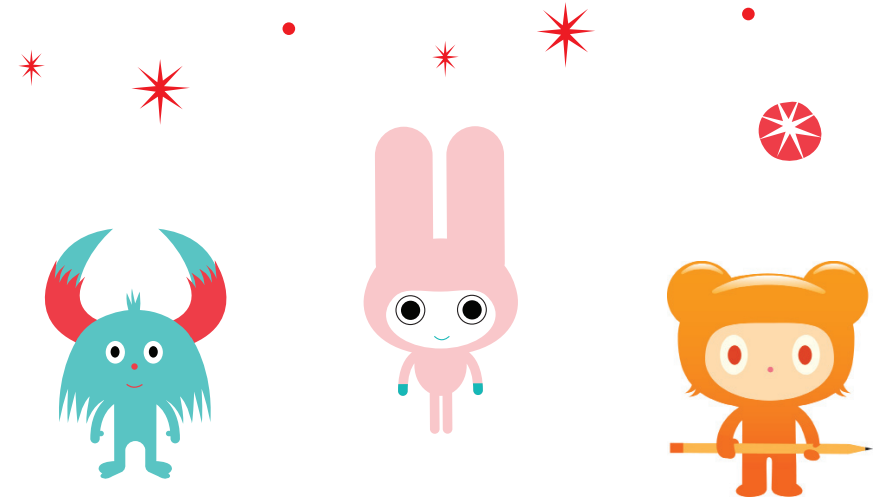
If you have a group of 10 or more, consider booking a tour and workshop related to the exhibitions, for a nominal fee. Yes, we do birthday parties, too.

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Help children explore the fascinating exhibitions at the Mendel Art Gallery.

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