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**Indiana State Museum honors Bartholomew County  
with a special day of activities on July 26**  
All county residents receive 50% off museum admission

Indianapolis – The Indiana State Museum’s first-ever “community day” celebrates Bartholomew County and offers residents 50% off museum admission and a day of activities. On July 26 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., visitors from Bartholomew County are invited to explore Indiana’s art, science and culture as well as enjoy special performances and exhibits showcasing their home county.

Columbus artists Bob Anderson, Betty Boyle, Marilyn Brackney, Catherine Burris, Pat Carothers and Paul Neufelder will display and sell their work. Senior projects by students from Columbus East High School and Columbus Area Career Connection (C4) will be showcased.

Mark Yeaton will perform the music of Indiana writers and musicians on his unique guitar, “The Indiana Special.” Several arts and community groups, including the Columbus Area Arts Council and the Columbus Area Visitors Center, will present the story of Columbus to museum visitors. Columbus radio station WCSI will broadcast live from the museum from 10 a.m. to noon.

The town of Hope, Ind., also will be showcased in the museum’s Grand Lobby. Artists Edna Bergman, Kathy Krider, Rena Dillman, Debbie Hatton, Donna Pervis and Marilyn Strahl, all from the Arts Guild of Hope, will exhibit their work. The Hope Community Center, the nature center, Wheatfields Inc. and Heritage of Hope will help in the celebration of their community.

To receive the discounted admission, residents can show their driver’s license with a Bartholomew County zip code. The discount prices are \$3.50 for adults, \$3.25 for seniors ages 60 and older and \$2 for children ages three to 12.

The Indiana State Museum is located at 650 W. Washington Street in downtown Indianapolis. For more information or directions, call 317.232.1637 or visit online at [indianamuseum.org](http://indianamuseum.org).

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The new Indiana State Museum, 650 W. Washington St. in White River State Park in downtown Indianapolis, is the state’s gathering place – inviting exploration, discovery and an ever-changing, family friendly experience. Hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. More information about the new Indiana State Museum is available on the museum’s Web site at [www.indianamuseum.org](http://www.indianamuseum.org) or by calling 317.232.1637.