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**Walk and Talk Gallery Tours and Summer Films Scheduled at Illinois State Museum in Springfield**

**New Walk and Talk Programs**

Fridays in June and July at 2:00 p.m.

Free with admission

Take a journey through 200 years of Illinois history on a guided tour of the Illinois State Museum’s exhibitions each week this summer. On Fridays in June and July, a Museum curator will provide a tour for all ages at 2:00 p.m. In June each tour will focus on the *At Home in the Heartland* history and decorative arts exhibition and will include touchable objects and discussion. In July, visitors will be led through the *Bicentennial and Beyond: The Illinois Legacy Collection* exhibition to learn the stories behind some of Illinois’ treasures.

Free with museum admission. For additional information, please contact events@illinoisstatemuseum.org or 217-558-6696.

**Bob Steffan Summer Film Fest Returns**

Tuesdays and Wednesdays in June and July at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

The Bob Steffan Summer Film Fest returns on June 5 at the Illinois State Museum. Each week an educational film will be shown on Tuesday and Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Films are recommended for families and groups with children ages 3-8 and cover topics like whales, dinosaurs, gravity, wetlands, and spiders. All films are about 30 minutes in length and are free with Museum admission. Registration is only required for groups of 10 or more children. Contact Sarah.E.Davis@illinois.gov or 217-782-6044 to register a group or for more information.