

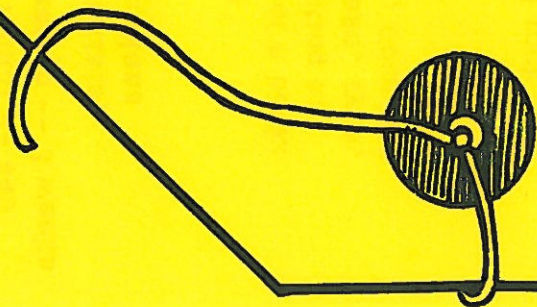
# THE HITCHCOCK CENTER, AMHERST

Multi-media kits on physical sciences, natural history, arts and crafts, and social studies developed by the Boston Children's Museum educational specialists, have been circulated to schools and community groups in the Boston area for many years. These kits vary in format from comprehensive curriculum units with structured lesson plans, to collections of artifacts, pictures, and labels. All offer participatory learning experiences for pre-school, elementary, and junior high school students.

Now, a satellite center for distribution of kits from the Children's Museum has been established at the Hitchcock Center for the Environment in Amherst. Kits can be obtained with greater ease through this cooperative program which provides increased availability to the Western Massachusetts region. Kits may be picked up at the Hitchcock Center where you can take advantage of other supplemental resources. Kits can also be shipped via United Parcel Service.

# THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM, BOSTON

Hitchcock Center for the Environment  
525 South Pleasant Street  
Amherst, Mass. 01002







# CURRICULUM UNITS

Rental -- \$40  
Duration -- 3 weeks

Extensive multi-media kits with artifacts, books, audio-visual materials, models, activity ideas and supplies. Guide with structured lesson plans for a complete 2 to 3 week study.

## 1. ANIMAL CAMOUFLAGE\*

Examination of camouflage principles using a shadow box, model animals, mounted insects and dioramas.

## 2. HOUSES\*

Exploration of the impact of physical environment on living patterns by comparison of Eskimo igloo and Nigerian mud thatch house models.

## 3. PADDLE-TO-THE-SEA\*

The story of the Great Lakes trip by "Paddle" recreated using replicas of Indian travel materials, trade items, and maps.

## 4. PRINTING PRESS\*

Complete production of a book: writing, editing, printing and binding. Portable press, type, block print materials, complete instructions.

## 5. ROCKS\*

Exploration of natural rock formation process using rock and fossil specimens.

## 6. MEDIEVAL PEOPLE\*

Enactment of episodes in the life of a medieval manor using character descriptions, costumes, and props. (e.g. falconry gear, psaltery)

\*MATCH (Materials and Activities for Teachers and Children) SERIES



# DISCOVERY KITS

Rental -- \$10    Duration -- 2 weeks

Discovery kits have objects, pictures, lots of activity suggestions and all of the materials needed to become engaged in exciting and valuable learning experiences.

## 1. Color Trays

## 2. Indian Games

## 3. Japanese and Chinese Calligraphy

## 4. Papermaking



# EXHIBIT KITS

Rental -- \$15    Duration -- 2 weeks

Artifacts from the Children's Museum teaching collections which can be used as a display or in conjunction with a curriculum. Most include supplementary materials and an informative Kit Guide.

## 1. African Arts

## 2. Butterflies and Moths

## 3. Early America

## 4. Insects

## 5. Nesting Birds

## 6. Plains Indians

## 7. Sea Life

## 8. Sex Role Stereotypes

## 9. Winter Birds



# STUDY KITS

Rental -- \$20    Duration -- 2 weeks

Mini-curriculum units with a Kit Guide, artifacts, activity ideas, books and some audio-visual materials.

## 1. Historic Algonquin Culture

## 2. Hopi Culture

## 3. Weather

# KIT RESERVATIONS

Kits are available for rental from the Hitchcock Center's Resource Center. Schools, community groups, families, and other organizations may reserve and rent kits. Advance reservations are advisable. Kits may be picked up directly from the Hitchcock Center, or shipped via United Parcel Service for a nominal fee at the user's expense.

To reserve kits, please call the Kit Rental Department at the Hitchcock Center at 256-6006, or 253-2809, or send this form to: Kit Rental, Hitchcock Center, 525 South Pleasant Street, Amherst, Mass. 01002. A confirmation will be mailed.

### RESERVE FOR:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Institution \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### BILL TO:

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### PLEASE CHECK APPROPRIATE BOXES

Rental paid by:

☐ Individual (pay at pick-up)

☐ Institution (billed)

☐ Picked up by user

☐ Shipped UPS at user's expense

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