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Play With Your Food on Spring Break at MPM!

Milwaukee, Wis. – The Milwaukee Public Museum (MPM) is breaking that age-old parenting rule “do not play with your food” for Spring Break! In celebration of our latest traveling exhibition *Global Kitchen: Food, Nature, Culture (Global Kitchen)*, the Museum is planning a variety of fun, hands-on activities that give the young (and young-at-heart) the chance to get playful with their favorites from the dinner table.

Join us in the *Global Kitchen* Demonstration Kitchen, sponsored by Meijer, for “Taste Science” to debunk the tongue-mapping myth, and “Ooey Gooey Gluten Balls!” to discover what really happens when you bake bread. Children 13 and under receive free exhibition admission to *Global Kitchen* with the purchase of an Adult or Senior admission to *Global Kitchen*.*

Want your child to go back to school with even more food science know-how? Sign up for an MPM Food Science Workshop and do hands-on activities to learn about fruit DNA.

Demonstration Kitchen: Taste Science!

Visitors will “bust the tongue map myth” by testing it out for themselves. Participants will get sterile cotton swabs, each dipped in a substance that tastes sweet, sour, salty, or bitter. Participants can dab each cotton swab on different areas of the tongue and determine whether taste is exclusive to the specific areas depicted in the tongue map (it isn’t – the tongue map is not accurate).

Dates: April 10 – 14

Cost: Included with *Global Kitchen* admission

Demonstration Kitchen: Ooey Gooey Gluten Balls!

Isolate gluten strands and discover what really happens when you bake bread! What role does gluten play in breadmaking? Find out why gluten is the most important protein group in breadmaking in this fun kitchen exploration.

Dates: April 17 – 21

Cost: Included with *Global Kitchen* admission

Food Science Workshops

Ever wonder why peaches taste sweet? Or why lemons are so sour? Find out in this hands-on



workshop as we discover how a food's properties affect its taste. Then, explore nature's "instruction manual" for an organism's characteristics (including taste) by extracting fruit DNA.

Dates: April 10 - April 21, see website for specific dates and times

Ages: Recommended for ages 8+

Cost: \$4 with general admission, \$2 members

For times and additional information on our Spring Break activities, please visit

www.mpm.edu/springbreak2017. For information on Global Kitchen, go to

www.mpm.edu/globalkitchen.

** Discount applies for the Special Exhibit only. Regular youth general admission ticket prices still apply. Not valid for school groups or other groups with discounted admission.*

Global Kitchen: Food, Nature, Culture is organized by the American Museum of Natural History, New York (amnh.org)

About the Milwaukee Public Museum (mpm.edu)

The Milwaukee Public Museum is a natural and human history museum located in downtown Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The museum was chartered in 1882 and opened to the public in 1884. MPM has three floors of exhibits that encompass life-size dioramas, walk-through villages, world cultures, dinosaurs, a rain forest and a live butterfly garden, as well as the Daniel M. Soref National Geographic Theater and Planetarium. The museum houses more than 4 million objects and hosts nearly half a million visitors each year. The MPM is operated by Milwaukee Public Museum, Inc., a private, non-profit company, and its facilities and collections are held in trust and supported by Milwaukee County for the benefit of the public.

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