

Visiting Exhibits in the Tri-Cities Historical Museum



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When you enter the main floor, there will be a gift shop on the left and a geology exhibit on the right. There are several buttons to push to light up our Michigan display, and many rocks to touch.



The next downstairs exhibit is the Wigwam. This is a Native American exhibit, and has dim lights and artifacts on the ground. The space is relatively tight when you enter.



The next exhibits are the fur trade post, the lumber cabin, and the pioneer cabin. Each of these have lights inside, and artifacts to touch. These are bigger spaces, but still can feel small.



As you move further back in our museum, you will reach our Victorian house. This model house has multiple rooms, with placard descriptions of the artifacts in each. There are no touchables, but plenty to look at!



Next to the Victorian house, we also have our Tri-Cities Treats display. This display contains colorful neon lights, and old restaurant memorabilia from the old Tri-Cities.



In the very back of the lower floor of the museum, you will reach our Ekkens Grocery Store. There are things to look at and touchable plastic food items and games to play with.



Next to our treats display, we also have the barn. There is a scavenger hunt and a life size touchable horse in this exhibit!



As you move upstairs via the elevator or stairs, you will see our Jon McDonald Exhibit. This is a temporary exhibit, and has several pieces of art on the walls with benches and chairs in the middle of the room.



Upstairs, we also have our seasonal exhibit “In Grand (River) Fashion.” There is a new exhibit here every summer, and this one contains mannequins and tables of clothes/accessories from the Tri-Cities. This room also contains the Bastian Blessing ice cream bar and Coast Guard Exhibits around the corner.



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In the Mezzanine, we have other seasonal exhibits. This summer, there will be an exhibit on Michigan Myths and Legends, and this exhibit rotates several times a year. The bathrooms are located here, and the exhibits are mostly contained on the walls or within a small space on the floor to walk around.



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