

**2019** marks the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of the celebrated Leonardo da Vinci. Museo Galileo has created and will be hosting a special exhibition dedicated to this great artist-scientist.

*Leonardo da Vinci and Perpetual Motion* will be on display from October 10, 2019 through January 12, 2020.

For this reason some of the didactic activities will be suspended until the month of February 2020. In the meantime, the museum will be offering a brand new thematic visit in costume titled *Walking with the Grand Duchess* where Cristina di Lorena will recount her times with Galileo and her influence over the Grand Dukes during her lifetime.

#### **OPENING HOURS OF MUSEO GALILEO**

Every day (including Sundays) 9.30 - 18.00 Tuesdays 9.30 - 13.00

#### **INFORMATION AND BOOKING RESERVATIONS**

Tel +39 055 234 3723 Fax +39 055 247 8350 Monday - Friday 9.00 -16.00 during the scholastic year groups@museogalileo.it **Simple Group Entrance (Non-guided Visit)** Reservations are required for **all** scholastic and group visits of 15 persons or more. There is no booking fee and the reservation is considered valid only after receiving a confirmation. Groups larger than 30 people will need to be divided into two separate groups due to safety and space limitations.

**Group Discount Entrance Fees** Groups of 15 people age 15 and under pay  $\in$  5,00 per person while groups of those age 16 years and over pay  $\in$  6,00 each. A maximum of 2 teachers per scholastic group enter for free.

**Discount Family Ticket** Two adults and two children ages 6 through 18 enter for 24 Euro. Children under 6 are free.

**Guided Visits and Workshops** There is an additional charge of € 3,00 per person for each educational activity.

**Private Visits and Fees** Small, private groups can also book any of the thematic visits. Advanced reservations are required. Dates and times are subject to availability.

All applicable museum entrance fees plus a flat rate of  $\in$  65 for the activity.



# Walking with the Grand Duchess

This thematic visit takes place on the museum's first floor where the Grand Duchess Cristina di Lorena recounts some stories from her life and marriage to Ferdinando I de' Medici. Cristina speaks about the great scientist Galileo and the working relationship he had with her son and later her grandson. Along the way you will discover some of the precious instruments found inside her treasure chest.

Mondays, Tuesdays and Saturdays by request (available through January 2020)

Duration: 60 minutes on the first floor

Recommended for all ages and groups.



### **General Guided Visit**

This general guided visit through the two main floors of the museum will highlight the most important instruments of the collections while discussing their historical-scientific significance and how they were used by demonstrating a few replicas along the way.

Start time is per request and availability

Duration: 60 minutes

Recommended for all ages and groups.



# **Experiential Visit - Thematic Visit**

The Museum's guide accompanies the group through the permanent collection explaining the historical context and functions of the instruments. Several demonstrations are performed along the way.

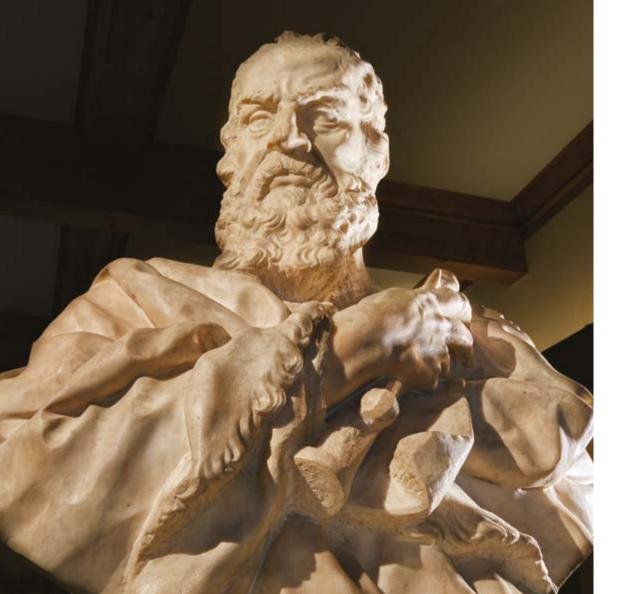
Mondays and Fridays: 9.30, 11.00, 13.00

Wednesdays and Thursdays: 9.30, 11.00

Tuesdays and Saturdays: 9.30, 11.00 (available from February 2020)

**Duration: 90 minutes** 

This visit is perfect for people of any age or background.



## Life and Works of Galileo - Thematic Visit

Our Galileo expert will accompany the group through the Medicean collection on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor where they can admire the original instruments of Galileo Galilei including his two surviving telescopes.

This thematic visit highlights the times, life, works and discoveries of Galileo which influenced the religious, philosophical and scientific worlds.

Mondays and Fridays: 9.30, 11.00, 13.00

Tuesdays and Saturdays: 9.30, 11.00

**Duration: 90 minutes** 

Recommended for all ages.



# **Materials of Science – Thematic Visit**

During this visit the guide explains some of the antique, primary materials used to create, decorate and protect the original instruments. The guide highlights the precision required by artisans in the makings of this amazing collection.

Mondays and Fridays: 9.30, 11.00, 13.00

Tuesdays and Saturdays: 9.30, 11.00

**Duration: 90 minutes** 

Recommended for those with an interest in engineering, art restoration and museum studies.



### Learning English through Science -Thematic Visit

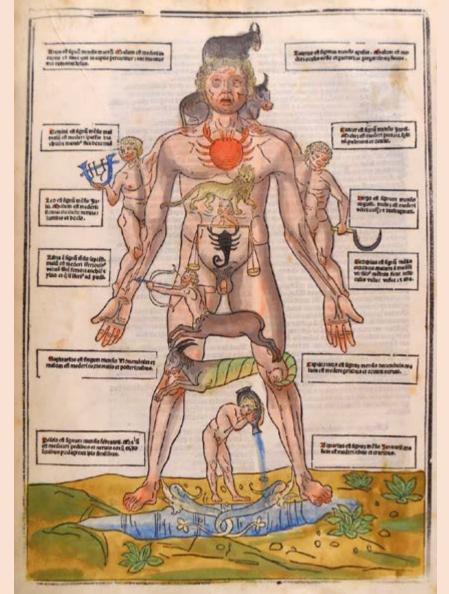
This thematic visit of the Museum's first floor is designed to unite the worlds of the English language and science in an entertaining way. The mother-English tongue, bilingual guide uses word games and replicas of the instruments to enrich the group's vocabulary and to teach the slight nuances of Italian and English using comparatives, analogies and word roots.

Mondays and Fridays: 9.30, 11.00, 13.00

Tuesdays and Saturdays: 9.30, 11.00

Duration: 60 minutes

*This visit can be adapted for all ages and competency levels of the English language.* 



# **History of Medicine – Thematic Visit**

This visit looks at the permanent collections through the eyes of medicine starting with the Greek physicians up to 18<sup>th</sup> Century Florence.

The visit highlights the development of obstetric medicine through the use of anatomical wax models and pharmacy through chemistry benches and portable medicine boxes.

Mondays and Fridays: 9.30, 11.00, 13.00

Tuesdays and Saturdays: 9.30, 11.00

**Duration: 90 minutes** 

Recommended for those with an interest in medicine.



## **Galileo and Mechanics - Workshop**

Galileo, dressed in his professor robes, leads this workshop which concentrates on his observational techniques and scientific methods related to studying bodies in motion using the incline plane and pendulum.

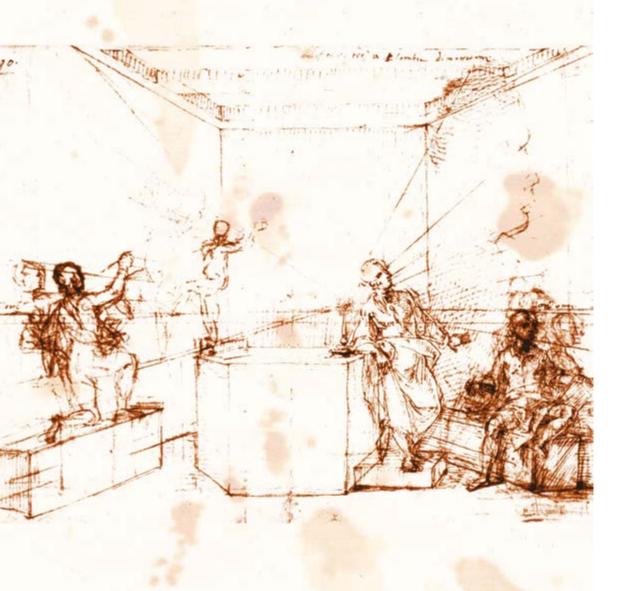
The workshop concludes with a brief guided visit of the Museum's first floor where he will show you some of his original instruments.

Mondays and Wednesdays: 9.30, 11.30, 14.30

Tuesdays: 9.30, 11.30 (available from February 2020)

Duration: 60 minutes

Recommended for middle and high school groups.



## Leonardo da Vinci's Art and Science Workshop

The study of linear perspective, artistic techniques and practices are presented in this workshop using projections of Leonardo da Vinci's sketches and diary notes. The workshop concludes with a handout to utilize when visiting the museum's first floor.

Mondays and Tuesdays: 9.30, 11.30

Fridays: 9.30, 11.30, 14.30 (available from February 2020)

**Duration: 90 minutes** 

Best suited for art students.



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where you can do a virtual tour of the museum and view animations on the functions of the instruments.

Our Multimedia Laboratory has designed an application which you can download for free and then use to explore our entire collection with your SmartPhone or tablet using your own ear buds. Our App and mini-guides, in 9 different languages, can be used to enhance your experience.



You can also take advantage of the QR codes found in the rooms with your own SmartPhone or tablet to read the digital panels in French, German, Japanese, Mandarin, Portuguese, Russian or Spanish.

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