

Let's Keep Busy!

Virtual and At Home Engaging Activities and Events

This list is designed to help families find additional home-based resources, from self-paced activities and videos to live and recorded presentations and concerts. We've tried to compile as many on-going offerings nationally available. Please double check with the content owner (author, publisher, organizations list below) for updates on times, links etc.

Check out SMCL's Engaging Activities Staff list [here](#). Some items may be repeated, apologies.

CHECK OUT THESE SELF-PACED VIRTUAL EXPERIENCES:

Check out these cultural experiences with [Google Arts & Culture Collections](#)

The Metropolitan Opera will be offering daily streams of operas recorded over the past 14 years! Recordings will be available on their website and On Demand for 23 hrs. after the initial airing. To access the video schedule visit their website [here](#).

Watch Livestream Animals through these links:

- [Monterey Bay Aquarium](#)
- [Georgie Aquarium](#)
- [San Diego Zoo](#)

Take a virtual field trip through [Nature Works Everywhere](#) by **The Nature Conservatory**. Watch several videos featuring nature around the world!

[Discovery Education](#) is also offering Virtual Field Trips you can watch live or on demand for free on their website! You can also access their free education guides and activities to go along with the videos!

[ABCYA](#) provides over **400** fun and educational games for grades **PreK through 6**. Our activities are designed by parents and educators, who understand that children learn better if they are having fun. Games are categorized by grade and subject, and cover topics such as multiplication, parts of speech, typing, pattern recognition, and more. Access is free with some limitations.

CHECK OUT THESE SPECIAL EVENTS FEATURING ANIMALS:

Cincinnati Zoo Free Safari Facebook Live sessions daily at 3pm EDT, 12pm PST Live events can be accessed [here](#) Previous recordings and matching activities can be accessed on their website [here](#)

Houston Zoo Virtual Animal Check-Ins weekdays at 9am PST through their [Facebook Live](#).

[New England Aquarium](#) is offering daily "Virtual Visit" presentations on Facebook Live at 8 am PST. Check out their website for the schedule and links! You can watch previous recordings on their website too!

[Christine's Critters](#) will feature special presentations every weekday at 8 am through Facebook Live. You will meet hawks, owls, falcons, eagles, snakes, lizards, frogs and more!

CHECK OUT THESE SPECIAL EVENTS FEATURING ARTISTS:

[Draw everyday with JJK](#) Free webcast with author Jarrett J. Krosoczka (author of *Lunch Lady*, *Jedi Academy* and more! Watch live at 11am PST Monday – Friday. Previous sessions available

[Miximal Mondays! with Ben Clanton](#) Free Instagram Live. Tune in to see author of the *Narwhal and Jelly* series “mix” different animals together! Watch live via Instagram every Monday at 9:30am PST See some of the masterpieces posted to his page.

Join [McHarper Manor](#), a visual arts studio in Ohio, on their Facebook Live every day at 10 am for free arts and craft video tutorials for elementary school ages kids!

CHECK OUT THESE SPECIAL EVENTS FEATURING PERFORMANCES AND CONCERTS:

Join Atlanta's **The Center for Puppetry Arts** for FREE live streaming performances via their [Facebook](#). You can access the schedule on their website [here](#). Most presentations are held at 8 am or 12 pm (noon) PST but check their website for more accurate time. Remember to account for the time difference!

Join Latin-Grammy winning duo **123 Andres** every Wednesday and Sunday at 2 pm PST for a free online concert! On [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#) and [Instagram](#)!

Join Latin-Grammy winning, Emmy nominated **Lucky Diaz and the Family Jam Band** for live mini concerts on [Facebook](#) weekdays at 10 am PST and access older videos on their [YouTube](#) page.

Join Grammy Award winning artist **Dan Zane** and his wife Claudia on their [Facebook](#) for social isolation singalong videos. You can watch previous sessions on their YouTube playlist [here](#).

Check out **The New Victory Theatre's New Victory Arts Break-** Arts at Home series for activities to do with your children at home. You can access the most recent content and previous content on their website [here](#).

Join [“Mikey the Rad Scientist”](#) on Facebook Live every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 11:30 am PST for science or music shows geared to preschoolers.

Visit **Alina Celeste's** [YouTube page](#) or [Instagram](#) for bilingual (Spanish/English) and great music for kids! You can watch them live at 7am and 1 pm PST daily! Or you can access the previous session on their [YouTube page](#).

Join **Stacy Peasley** for online Sing Alongs geared to kids under 5 but great for all kids! You can access her singalongs on her [YouTube](#) page.

Visit [No Naps Facebook](#) for a Family Digital Happy Hour featuring live music by various artists at 3pm PST on select Saturdays and Sundays.

View LA based kid's Pop Artist [Twinkle Time](#) for live educational, bilingual, musical fun for the whole family on her YouTube page Monday-Fridays at 2pm PST.

Join popular kid's artist **Laurie Berker** for "[Its Time to Take a Live Laurie Berker Break](#)" on Facebook most weekday mornings at 7am PST

Visit [Justin Roberts](#) "Stuck at Home activities" page for activities to do at home. Join this Grammy-nominated artist, every Monday – Thursday at 8:30 am PST on [Facebook Live](#). View his videos on [YouTube](#).

Join **Storyteller Rachael Harrington** for her daily Morning Meetings at 6:15 am PST on [Facebook Live](#).

CHECK OUT THESE SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL EVENTS:

Join the **Petersen Automotive Museum** for free online educational livestreams! Past sessions are available on their [website](#).

Reef Relief: Marine Science Virtual Classroom will offer free virtual classes on [Facebook Live](#), all lessons and materials will be available via their [blog](#) and videos will be posted to their [YouTube](#) page. This offering is geared to PreK- 8th grade.

[Where's Walt?](#) Join the **Fairfield Museum's** Program and Volunteer Coordinator Walt Matis as he live streams each week from a different Fairfield, Connecticut location on Facebook 12:30 pm PST. Learn about Fairfield's unique and historic places on this lively adventure with Walt!

Visit **California Science Center's** "[Stuck at Home Science](#)" every weekday at 10 am PST new activities using household supplies! Disponible en espanol!

Visit [Frost Science @ Home](#) of Miami for learning resources and activities. Their website features videos and instructions for doing @Home Science! Check out their [Facebook](#) for additional content.

Looking for at home science? Check out [Steve Spangler on Facebook](#)! The Steve Spangler Science team will be sharing "50 experiments for 50 days" every Monday at 9:00 am PT.

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