

GROUP TOUR RESERVATION REQUEST FORM

Please complete the following reservation request as accurately as possible and email to Group Sales at <u>yolanda.hawkins@mmns.state.ms.us</u>.

Your reservation confirmation will be sent to you by e-mail within two business days. Your official confirmation must be provided upon arrival.

Name of Organization:

Business Phone Number:
Address:
City/State/Zip:
Contact Person:
Contact Cell Phone Number:
Contact Email Address:
Number in Group:
Number of Motorcoach Drivers:
Number of Tour Escorts:
Preferred Visit Time, Day, Month, Year:

Note: Self-Guided Group Tours are available seven days per week. Special programs are available M-F based on availability.

What type of visit would you like? **Tours are offered Monday – Friday, based on availability.** Your group may choose a self-guided general tour or a staff-guided general tour. We also offer additional program opportunities. Please arrive at the museum 15 minutes prior to tour time. Tours can be adapted to special needs. Please call 601-576-6000 and ask for Group Sales to make arrangements.

Check this box if you want the Museum Overview Video (included w/ admission fee)

Then, SELECT ONE:

Self-Guided Tour Only: 7 days per week, year-round: \$5.00 per person

"Take a Walk on the Wild Side" Adventure": Available M-F: \$12.00 per person. Staff Guided or Self-Guided Museum Tour PLUS your choice of (please choose one):

Aquarium Chat

Creature Feature

Meet a Researcher

Deluxe "Take a Walk on the Wild Side" Experience: Available M-F: \$23 per person.

Choose from a Staff Guided or Self-Guided Museum Tour PLUS your choice of Aquarium Chat, Creature Feature, or Meet a Researcher PLUS Boxed Lunch. Boxed lunch (meal includes a ham or turkey sandwich, chips, cookie, drink). Vegetarian menu available upon request. Group Sales will review meal order with you upon confirmation of tour request. Please choose one:

Aquarium Chat

Creature Feature

Meet a Researcher

- Museum Overview Video (8 minutes): Take a walk on the wild side with Museum staff and youth volunteers as they acquaint the Museum's inhabitants, exhibits, and researchers. This is a fun, fast way to orient your groups to all that the Museum has to offer.
- Staff Guided Museum Tour (45 minutes): Join our expert staff as they highlight the Museum's exhibits and tell the Museum's story including how the Museum was founded in the 1930's by Francis 'Fannye' Cook and how the Museum has evolved into an award-winning state treasure that helps to preserve natural Mississippi in the 21st century.
- **Self-Guided Museum Tour (1 hour):** Tour the Museum individually at your own pace. Indoor and Outdoor Exhibit Guides are available at the Museum's front desk.
- Aquarium Chat and Diver Interactive (30 minutes): Come meet some of our most fascinating aquarium inhabitants. Enjoy watching a SCUBA diver feed the fish while you learn about their habitats during a live interactive presentation. After the dive, enjoy an aquarium chat with one of our aquarium biologists to explore all they do! Fish Feedings are held every Tuesday and Friday at 10:00 a.m. and on Sunday at 2:00 p.m.
- Creature Feature (30 minutes): Come face to face with one of Mississippi's native reptiles! Meet a conservation educator and one of our scaly critters. Dispel myths and learn facts about these fascinating animals before beginning your museum tour. Creature Features are also available on Saturday at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
- **Meet a Researcher (45 minutes):** Explore the museum's biological collections, which chronicle Mississippi's natural history from its earliest life forms to

those of today. Engage with one of the museum's field scientists and learn about their adventures. Please see Group Tour Procedures.

May we photograph your group for use in publicity only? Yes or No

Does your group have any special needs? If so, please explain:

Comments or Questions:

By submitting this request, I acknowledge that this is a REQUEST and NOT A CONFIRMATION.

Yes

Payment is due prior to or upon arrival.

Group Tour Procedures Signature Form

Reservations are required in advance to enjoy a group discount rate. A final group count and a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit is due five business days in advance of visit. Payment in full is required upon or prior to arrival. Due to Museum visitation, there may be times when a large group cannot be accommodated without prior arrangements.

A minimum of ten paid guests are required to receive the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks' Museum of Natural Science group rate. No other discount, coupon, or offer can be combined with the group rate. If your numbers fall below ten, you will be charged regular Museum admission. Accepted methods of payment are cash, check, MasterCard, Visa, or Discover. Payment for the entire group must be made in one transaction.

A \$50.00 non-refundable deposit will be charged for all groups five business days in advance of visit.

The Museum has free, on-site parking and can accommodate motor coaches.

If you are planning to bring or buy boxed lunches, you must make arrangements prior to your visit. Please contact Group Sales at 601-576-6000 to make meal arrangements and to reserve a dining area.

I agree to the above procedure and understand I will be charged a \$50.00 non-refundable depo		
Group Name	Date of visit	
Tour Operator/Receptive/Group Leader Signature	Date	
Please keep a copy of this Procedure for your red	eords.	

Please use this space for additional comments:	