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Springfield Museum Temporarily Closed Through September for Management Transition

The Springfield Museum will start a new chapter this fall, under the direction of the Springfield Public Library and new Museum Curator.

To facilitate the transition, the Springfield Museum will be temporarily closed starting Friday, September 1 and will reopen Tuesday, October 3. The Museum will open for the Second Friday Artwalk in September and the current exhibit will continue into October so that Museum-goers still have the opportunity to enjoy the exhibit.

The temporary closure allows time for staff to begin integrating Library and Museum operations and for the new Museum Curator to start in late September.

“The Library and Museum have consistently collaborated to bring cultural, historical, and informational programs to our community,” said Interim Library Director Emily David. “Integrating at an operational level brings the added benefit of maximizing our staff expertise and volunteer support to better serve the community.”

The new operating structure will allow the Library and Museum to further collaborate on programming and events while also integrating marketing, fundraising and grant activities, archives and other functions. It will also allow the Museum to access the Library’s well-established volunteer program, which provides more than 5,000 hours of support each year.

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