

Upcoming Events and Programs at Edison Ford

Future Makers (For kids ages 1-5)

September 6, 9:30 a.m.

Offered on the first Wednesday of every month

Edison and Ford Winter Estates
2350 McGregor Blvd, Ft. Myers

Children will play, learn, and gain social skills as they explore science, technology, engineering and more in the museum. This series is offered on the first Wednesday of every month from September through March.

This program is free for Edison Ford members and included with admission for non-members. Pre-registration is not required.

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Homeschool Program – Derby Physics

Grades 1-3: September 13 or 21, 10 a.m.

Grades 4-6: September 14 or 20, 10 a.m.

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Homeschool programs are designed for children in grades 1-6 and are typically held in a classroom environment (weather permitting). Our education staff, called “Wild Wizards” will challenge a student’s mind and foster collaboration in this science and engineering series. In this session, students will learn the physics of how to operate a derby car. Advance registration is required. Register online at edisonford.org.

Edison Ford members: \$15; non-members: \$25

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Members Only Gathering

September 14, 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Edison and Ford Winter Estates
2350 McGregor Blvd, Ft. Myers

Spend the evening with us at a special MEMBERS ONLY event! Chief Curator, Brent Newman, will discuss what it’s like to be the curator at a world-class historic site. The Curatorial team will discuss the new “Fanatics: Thomas Edison, Connie Mack and Baseball in Fort Myers” exhibit, with an emphasis on the

efforts to conceive, develop and complete the gallery. Please join us for a behind-the-curtain look at how this exhibit was developed.

This event is free and open to members only. A cash bar will be available.

Please RSVP to Natalie at nkulowiec@edisonford.org or 239-335-3674.

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**Digital Discussion and Step into History: A History of Lee County Hurricanes and Their Impact on Edison and Ford Winter Estates
September 19, 10:30 a.m.**

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Learn about the history of hurricanes in Lee County, Florida, and the impact they had on Edison and Ford Winter Estates as the one-year anniversary of Hurricane Ian approaches. Join Program Manager, Holly Shaffer, and Lead Historian, Baylee for this free virtual presentation. Registration is required. Register online at edisonford.org.

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**School Break Camp – Art and Innovation
September 25, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

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School Break Camps are designed for students ages 6 to 12 when school is out. Campers explore Edison's "living laboratory" while our educators, called "Wild Wizards," teach topics in STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math), history and the natural world. Campers will explore the fundamentals of art and see the world through a creative lens while working with a variety of media in this one-day camp. Advance registration is required. Register online at edisonford.org.

Edison Ford members: \$45; non-members: \$50

**Quilt Show
October 7, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Edison and Ford Winter Estates
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See the property decorated with lots of quilts featuring intricate, whimsical designs at our annual "Airing of the Quilts" show. Dozens of quilts from the Southwest Florida Quilters Guild will be on display, suspended from clotheslines between the palms in front of the historic homes. Quilters Guild participants will also have quilts available for sale. Quilters Guild participants will also have quilts available for sale.

Certified quilt appraiser, Lars Cain, will be on site and conducting appraisals from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Visitors may bring antique quilts for assessment. Verbal appraisals will be offered for \$25 and the fee for a written appraisal will be \$35 per quilt.

The quilt show is included with admission. Tickets may be purchased online or at the ticket counter. Admission is free for Edison Ford members. Visit edisonford.org to purchase tickets.

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Fall Festival

October 28, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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This family-friendly event will include an autumn market with approximately 30 local craft vendors and artists, plus several fun activities for children. Vendors are invited to stroll around while shopping at vendor booths, listen to music and get something to eat from the food trucks.

The children's activities include inflatable axe throwing, mobile teddy bears, face painting, spin art, fairy hair and caricatures. Plus, families will be able to select and purchase pumpkins in the Pumpkin Patch, with the option to paint the pumpkins (painted will be provided) and enter a contest.

The popular Banyan Tree climb will also be offered again; registration is recommended since a limited number of people will be able to participate. Tickets for the Banyan Climb are \$35 per person and may be purchased online at edisonford.org.

There is no charge to stroll around and listen to music; however, each vendor has a fee to participate in the children's activities and visitors are encouraged to bring cash. Parking is free in the Edison Ford lots. Admission to the museum, laboratory and riverside of the property requires an additional ticket. For more information, visit edisonford.org.

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