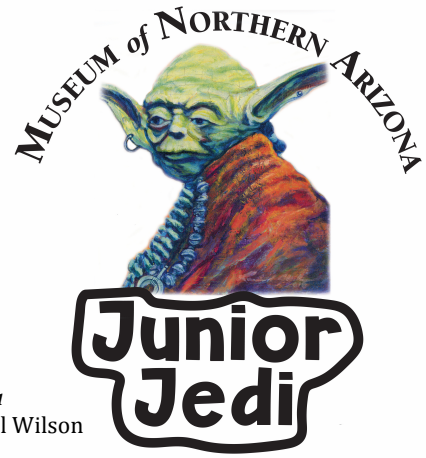


Junior Jedi

*Want to be a Jedi you do? Hrrrm...
A Jedi must have the deepest commitment, the
most serious mind. ...Patience you must have.
Much to learn you still have... this is just the
beginning...*

Cheii Yoda
by Randall Wilson



Explore the Dark Side

A recurring theme in *The Force Is With Our People* exhibition, and in Star Wars, is how dark and light balance each other. Explore how dark and light work together with these shadow puppets, created by childhood101.com. Download and cut out the puppets, then tape them to a stick or straw and use a flashlight in a darkened room to create your own Star Wars stories on the wall.

“To be Jedi is to face the truth, and choose. Give off light, or darkness, Padawan. Be a candle or the night.”

Through the Force, things you will see. Other places.

As a child playing with Star Wars figurines, the artist Ryan Singer recognized similarities between the landscape around his grandmother's Hogan and the desert landscape of Tatooine. Create a Star Wars landscape outside using items you find. If you have Star Wars figures, set them up in a scene inside your landscape and take a photo. Name the planet and write a short description of it.



Tuba City Spaceport by Ryan Singer

Become a moisture farmer

Water is a precious resource, both on the desert planet of Tatooine and in Northern Arizona. Try set up a mini moisture farm to capture water, like Luke's Uncle Owen and the many other settlers of Tatooine. Start by digging a small, round hole in a location that will not be disturbed by other people. Flatten the bottom of the hole and place a pie pan or other dish at the bottom of the hole. Cover the hole with a piece of plastic (such as a

plastic garbage bag cut open). Gently push the plastic cover down into a cone so that the tip of the plastic is positioned a few inches above the collector. As dew forms it will run down the inside of the plastic cover and drip into the collector. Secure the edges of the plastic with rocks and the excess dirt so the water can't evaporate. Leave the moisture collector for a few days, checking occasionally to see how much water collects.

Use the Force

There is an invisible force that you can use to move objects, and even make some things levitate. It's static electricity. Use a piece of pvc pipe (available from a hardware store) or a balloon. Charge up the pvc or balloon by rubbing wool fabric on it in one direction. If you lay an empty aluminum can on its side, you can use the static electricity to make the can roll, without touching it.



Navajo Rey by Dale DeForest

Cut 1-inch strip from the top of a clean, dry plastic produce bag to create a plastic ring shape. Charge up the plastic ring by rubbing it with the fabric. Then drop the plastic ring about a foot above the pvc pipe. With practice, you can make the plastic ring levitate. See how this is done at

www.stevespanglerscience.com/lab/experiments/floating-static-bands/

“Do. Or do not. There is no try.”

Celebrate

Another theme in “*The Force Is With Our People*” exhibition is how stories, ideas, and art combine elements from many cultures. This cultural mixing also turns up in music, and in Star Wars it is seen in the Cantina on Tatooine. Using recycled materials from around the house, create a cantina band instrument. Bonus points if you share a video of you playing your instrument.

Remember - “A Jedi uses the Force for knowledge and defense, never for attack.”

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