

# News Release

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## EAT-A-BUG at AMSET's Fall Family Arts Day, Oct. 21!

(Beaumont, TX; October 06, 2023) The Art Museum of Southeast Texas (AMSET) presents its popular "Eat-a-Bug!" Free Family Arts Day from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, October 21, 2023. Come enjoy a creative day of art activities and eat a delicious bug with Bill Clark Pest Control, if you dare!

Art activities will correlate with AMSET's current exhibitions, *SHAWNE MAJOR: Force Majeure and other compulsions*, on view through Dec. 3, 2023, alongside, *Ceramista del Preciosismo: ANGELICA DELFINA VASQUEZ CRUZ from the John Gaston Fairey Collection of Mexican Folk Art*, on view through March 30, 2024 in the main gallery and Conn Gallery. This Family Arts Day will include indoor and outdoor activities.

Children and their families will create unique artwork such as Sugar Skulls, Puzzle Collage, Handcrafted Piñatas, Tissue Paper Marigolds, Mixed Media Collage, and Temporary Tattoos. These art activities help establish an understanding and connection with the many techniques used to create the artwork in AMSET's main galleries.

Children are encouraged to come dressed in their best costumes for a chance to win prizes in the costume contest at noon for ages 0-7 and 8+. Complimentary cookies and punch will be provided. A concession stand serving ballpark-style food will also be available. There will be two dance performances from the Mexican Heritage Society at 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Throughout the day, AMSET will draw winners for baskets of art supplies.

This event is held in conjunction with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Museum Madness Weekend from October 19-22, 2023. Participating museums include: The Art Museum of Southeast Texas, Beaumont Children's Museum, John Jay French Museum, Edison Museum, Dishman Art Museum, Fire Museum of Texas, McFaddin-Ward House Museum, Museum of the Gulf Coast, Spindletop-Gladys City Boomtown Museum, Magnolia Cemetery, and Texas Energy Museum.

Admission for this event is free and open to the public. For more information, visit [amset.org](http://amset.org) or call (409) 832-3432. Be sure to follow AMSET on Instagram and Facebook for up-to-date information on all events, education programs, and exhibitions – @amsetx.

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