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MICHIGAN ACTIVITY PASS presented by The Library Network begins its second year May 24, 2014

Expanded partnership, new venues, enhanced access to arts and cultural venues across Michigan

(Novi)—May 23, 2014—The Library Network today announced the "Michigan Activity Pass presented by The Library Network" will renew for a second year, beginning May 24, 2014. This project is supported in part by the Library of Michigan with federal funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

The "Michigan Activity Pass presented by The Library Network" program is a partnership between Michigan's nearly 400 public libraries and 100+ arts and cultural organizations. The program is designed to enhance the learning experience for people of all ages through books and other library materials, and to provide reduced cost or complimentary access to arts and cultural organizations across the state of Michigan, from St. Joseph to Saline to Saginaw to Sault Ste. Marie to South Range, and all points in between. Dale Kittendorf, St. Clair County Library main branch marketing coordinator, states "the program offers people an opportunity to see attractions they might not otherwise partake in. The program connects people to information, which definitely fits into our mission."

"Public library patrons and our cultural partners were so pleased with the overwhelming reception afforded to the Michigan Activity Pass program during its first year, that renewal for a second year was a no-brainer," said Jim Flury, Technical Services Manager and Michigan Activity Pass administrator at The Library Network in Novi. "That so many of our cultural partners from the first year of the program decided to sign on for a second year, speaks to the success the program has enjoyed," Flury said. According to Melissa Davis, Knowlton's Ice Museum director, "the program benefited us because the passes go out to almost 400 libraries across the state. We had people coming who drove all the way across the state just to visit the museum as a result."

Using TixKeeper software developed by Plymouth Rocket, on May 24, 2014 the "Michigan Activity Pass presented by The Library Network" will be available at all of Michigan's nearly 400 public libraries. Some of the participating cultural partners include the Gilmore Car Museum, the Michigan Science Center, the Detroit Institute of Arts, the Great Lakes Shipwreck Museum, and many others.

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How the Program Works

Beginning May 24, library users with a valid library card from any one of Michigan's nearly 400 public libraries can print a pass, either from home or at the library, to one of the 70+ participating cultural institutions at the http://michiganactivitypass.info website. Some cultural partners offer complimentary or reduced price admission; others, discounts in their gift shop or other exclusive offers for MAP pass holders only. Each Michigan Activity Pass expires one week from the date it is printed.

Each library will have five passes available per week for each of the participating organizations.

Participating organizations as of the date of this press release include:

Anton Art Center, Mt. Clemens	Chamber Music Society of Detroit at Seligman Performing Arts Center, Beverly Hills
Arab American National Museum, Dearborn	renorming Arts Center, beverly mins
Argus Camera Museum, Ann Arbor	Chamber Music Society of Detroit at the Music Box, Max M. Fisher Music Center, Detroit
Art Experience, Pontiac	Charlevoix Historical Society Museum, Charlevoix
Arthur Secunda Museum, Howell	Chassell Heritage Center, Chassell
Arts & Scraps, Detroit	Chippewa Nature Center, Midland
Beaumier Upper Peninsula Heritage Center, Marquette	Clinton Northern Railway Museum, St. Johns
Berman Center for the Performing Arts, West Bloomfield	Copper Country Firefighters History Museum, Calumet
Besser Museum for Northeast Michigan, Alpena	Copper Range Historical Museum, South Range
Big Sable Point Lighthouse, Ludington	Cranbrook Art Museum, Bloomfield Hills
Buick Automotive Gallery, Flint	Crocker House Museum, Mt. Clemens
Cappon House Museum, Holland	Dearborn Historical Museum, Dearborn
Castle Farms, Charlevoix	Dennos Museum Center, Traverse City
Chamber Music Society of Detroit at Oakland	Detroit Institute of Arts, Detroit

DeVos Art Museum, Marquette

University, Varner Recital Hall, Rochester

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Elizabeth Lane Oliver Center for the Arts, Frankfort	Kalamazoo Valley Museum, Kalamazoo
Empire Area Museum, Empire	Kelsey Museum of Archaeology, Ann Arbor
Fire Barn Museum, Muskegon	Kids 'N' Stuff Children's Museum, Albion
Flint Institute of Arts, Flint	Knowlton's Ice Museum of North America, Port
Gibraltar Historical Museum, Gibraltar	Huron
Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners	Lakeshore Museum Center, Muskegon
Grand Traverse Lighthouse Museum, Northport	Little Sable Point Lighthouse, Mears
Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center, Alpena	Longway Planetarium, Flint
Great Lakes Shipwreck Museum, Paradise	Ludington Breakwater Lighthouse, Ludington
Greenmead Historical Park, Livonia	Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum, Saginaw
Hackley & Hume Historic Site, Muskegon	Meadow Brook Hall, Rochester
Hamburg Historical Museum, Hamburg	Michigan Firehouse Museum, Ypsilanti
Harbor Springs History Museum, Harbor Springs	Michigan Military Technical & Historical Society Museum, Eastpointe
Heritage Museum and Cultural Center, St. Joseph	Michigan Philharmonic, Plymouth
Hidden Lake Gardens, Tipton	Michigan Science Center, Detroit
Historic U.S. Weather Bureau Building, Sault Ste. Marie	Michigan Supreme Court Learning Center, Lansing
Holland Museum, Holland	Michigan Transit Museum, Mt. Clemens
Holocaust Memorial Center, Farmington Hills	Mid-Michigan Children's Museum, Saginaw
Icebreaker Mackinaw Maritime Museum,	Mill Race Historical Village, Northville
Mackinaw City	Monroe County Historical Museum, Monroe
Inland Water Route Historical Museum, Alanson	Montrose Historical and Telephone Pioneer

Museum, Montrose

Jiffy Mix Factory Tour, Chelsea

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Muskegon Museum of Art, Muskegon	Southern Michigan Railroad, Clinton
Nelis' Dutch Village, Holland	Stagecrafters Baldwin Theatre, Royal Oak

Newaygo County Council for the Arts, Fremont	Toonerville Trolley, Soo Junction
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Nokomis Learning Center, Okemos	Top of the Lake Snowmobile Museum, Naubinway

North Berrien Historical Museum, Coloma	University of Michigan Museum of Natural History,
	Ann Arhor

	Upper Peninsula Children's Museum, Marquette
Old Mill Museum, Dundee	

	Urban Institute for Contemporary Arts, Grand
Performance Network Theatre, Ann Arbor	Rapids

Plymouth Historical Museum, Plymouth	USS Silversides Submarine Museum, Muskegon
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Pontiac Creative Arts Center, Pontiac	Washtenaw County Historical Society Museum, Ann
	Arbor

I.E. Olds Transportation Museum, Lansing	Waterford Historic Village, Waterford
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Rentschler Farm Museum, Saline	Wayne Historical Museum, Wayne
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River Raisin Territorial Park, Monroe	Whaley Historic House Museum, Flint

Saginaw Art Museum, Saginaw	White River Light Station Museum, Whitehall
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Saline Railroad Depot Museum, Saline Wild Swan Theater, Ann Arbor

Scolnik House, Muskegon

William G. Thompson House Museum & Gardens,
Hudson

Yankee Air Museum, Belleville

Settlers House Museum, Holland

Sloan Museum, Flint

Oakland County Pioneer Museum, Pontiac

PuppetART Theater, Detroit

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About The Library Network

The Library Network (TLN) is a public library cooperative serving 65 libraries in southeast Michigan whose mission is to provide and facilitate quality services developed through collaboration of its member libraries. TLN is funded by the state of Michigan and by its member libraries.

About the Institute of Museum and Library Services

The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) is the primary source of federal support for the nation's 123,000 libraries and 17,500 museums. The mission of IMLS is to inspire libraries and museums to advance innovation, lifelong learning, and cultural and civic engagement through research, policy development, and grant making.

About the Library of Michigan

The Library of Michigan was created by the Michigan Legislature to guarantee the people of the State and their government one perpetual institution to collect and preserve Michigan publications, to conduct reference and research, and to support libraries statewide.

About Plymouth Rocket

Plymouth Rocket's suite of affordable, easy to use web-based applications works with libraries to promote events, register patrons, manage museum partnership and book club kit programs, and lots more.

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