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Didactics 2025 2026

“Logic will get you from A to B. Imagination will take you everywhere.”

Albert Einstein

OPENING HOURS OF MUSEUM

9:30 – 18:00 Every day including Sundays except Tuesdays 9:30 – 13:00

INFORMATION AND BOOKING

Email: groups@museogalileo.it

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Call center hours: Monday – Friday 9:00 – 14:00

Advanced reservations are required for all didactic activities.

Scholastic and Group Fees: 3.00 € per person for each activity in addition to applicable museum entrance fees

(6.00 € ages 6-15, 7.00 € for those 16 to 18 years old) + 1.00 € for the reservation fee.



General Guided Visit

This 60-minute guided visit through the two main floors of the museum will highlight the most important instruments of the collections while discussing their historical-scientific significance and how they were used by demonstrating a few replicas along the way.

Days and times are available upon request.

Duration: 60 minutes



Experiential Visit

This popular visit is meant to stimulate one's interest in the history of science. The Museum's guide accompanies the group through the permanent collection explaining the historical context and functions of the instruments. Several demonstrations are performed along the way.

Days and times are available upon request.

Duration: 90 minutes

This visit is perfect for people of any age.



Life and Works of Galileo

Our Galileo expert will accompany the group through the Medicean collection on the 1st floor where they can admire the original instruments of Galileo Galilei including his two surviving telescopes.

This thematic visit highlights the times, life, works and discoveries of Galileo which influenced the religious, philosophical and scientific worlds.

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 10:00, 11:00, 13:30 and 14:30

Duration: 60 minutes



Meet Galileo

The group will have the opportunity to be accompanied on a visit through the Museum's first floor by an unusual and exceptional guide, Galileo Galilei, who will recount his life and most important discoveries.

The operator dressed up in costume will guide you through the main rooms dedicated to the great scientist, where his original instruments are preserved, namely his last two surviving telescopes dating back to 1609-10.

Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays: Times available upon request.

Duration: 60 minutes



Galileo and Mechanics

Galileo, dressed in his professor robes, leads this workshop which concentrates on his observational techniques and scientific methods related to studying bodies in motion using the inclined plane and pendulum.

The workshop concludes with a brief guided visit of the Museum's first floor where he will show you some of his original instruments.

Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays: Times available upon request.

Duration: 90 minutes

Recommended for middle school and high school groups.



Leonardo: Art and Science

A fascinating journey that illustrates, through the sketches of this great artist/scientist, the link between his knowledge of vision and techniques of prophetic representation.

Simple and entertaining experiences will be utilized to explain the relationship between artistic representation and visual perception, as well as traditional laws of perspective and current "3D" images.

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays: 9:30 and 11:00

Duration:

60 minutes total: 30 minutes in the didactic area and 30 minutes on the Museum's first floor

Best suited for art students.



Learning English through Science

This thematic visit of the Museum's first floor is designed to unite the worlds of the English language and science in an entertaining way.

The mother-English tongue, bilingual guide uses word games and replicas of the instruments to enrich the group's vocabulary and to teach the slight nuances of Italian and English using comparatives, analogies and word roots.

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays: Times available upon request.

Duration: 60 minutes

This visit can be adapted for all ages and competency levels of the English language.

This visit looks at the permanent collections through the eyes of medicine starting with the Greek physicians up to 18th century Florence.

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays: 9:30, 11:00 and 13:30

Recommended for those with an interest in medicine.



Museo Galileo bridges the gap

The project that has attracted so much interest in recent years is back and aimed at all schools that have difficulty reaching Museo Galileo and therefore physically participating in our educational activities. Schools that request it will have the opportunity to take a [virtual tour](#) guided by our docent to whom the students can ask questions and express their curiosity making it a unique experience and stimulating for all.

Schools interested in visiting the museum virtually can contact the Educational Section of Museo Galileo by sending an email to didattica@museogalileo.it to arrange an appointment.



To prepare for your visit go to our website
www.museogalileo.it

where you can do a virtual tour of the museum and view animations on the functions of the instruments.

Mini-guides providing a brief description of each room are available for download in 9 different languages in PDF format.

You can also take advantage of the QR codes found in the rooms with your own SmartPhone or tablet to read the digital panels in French, German, Japanese, Mandarin, Portuguese, Russian or Spanish.



Museo Galileo app

Museo Galileo App allows you to further explore the museum's entire collection using your own SmartPhone or tablet and ear buds along with our Free Wi-Fi.

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