

# INFORMATION FOR SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS

# **ABOUT THE EXPERIENCE**

In this immersive adventure, your students will:

- / Take part in the first-ever spacewalk captured in virtual reality and discover breathtaking views of Earth and majestic sunrises.
- / Roam freely in a 3D model of the International Space Station, traveling seamlessly between the exterior and interior of the station, featuring exclusive virtual reality content shot in space
- / Gain insight into the astronauts' daily life orbiting Earth and be inspired by their remarkable personal stories told by the astronauts themselves.
- / Get a front row seat to NASA's rocket launch to the Moon and witness the giant spacecraft on large screens.
- / Experience a sense of weightlessness, in an audiovisual installation by renowned artist Ryoji Ikeda.

#### LOCATION

MIDLAND CENTER FOR THE ARTS / 1801 W. St. Andrews Rd. Midland, MI 48640

#### FIELD TRIP HOURS WED / THU / FRI / 9 AM - 12 PM

- / Flexible timing depending on the number of students.
- / Private visits are possible on closed days for larger groups.
- / Please visit our website for dates.

#### **SCHOOL GROUP RATES**

Thanks to generous underwriting from **SPENCE BROTHERS**, student tickets are \$5 per student.

#### **CHAPERONES**

- / One adult chaperone is required for every ten students.
- / Admission is free for required chaperones; each additional chaperone will pay the school grouprate.
- / Chaperones will be responsible for supervising students throughout the experience.
- / Chaperones and teachers will be provided with a free ticket to experience the exhibition before or after accompanying students.

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### **DURATION AND FLOW OF THE EXPERIENCE**

- / Entry into the experience takes place in groups of 10 people every five minutes.
- / Time slots are scheduled every 15 minutes, accommodating a maximum of 60 people every 30 minutes. If there are more of you, you will be spread over several time slots.
- / The total duration of the experience is around 1 hour.
- / Please arrive 10 minutes in advance.

### MINIMUM FIELD TRIP AGE REQUIREMENT

- / Grades 3-12 / (Students aged 8 and over) Students will explore the exhibit through an immersive virtual reality experience. A guided iPad experience is also available to support students if needed.
- / Please note that this exhibit has a minimum age requirement of 8 years. Students ages 8-12 will need to complete a waiver before your field trip in order to participate in the VR experience. Teachers must send completed waiver forms to us at schools@midlandcenter.org prior to your scheduled field trip date.

## **PARKING**

Parking instructions will be provided with group confirmation materials.

## OTHER INFORMATION

- / We recommend wearing comfortable clothes and shoes. For safety reasons, backpacks are not permitted during the experience. Small handbags are allowed. Hats and caps cannot be worn due to the VR headset. Students can leave bulkier items, such as backpacks, in a dedicated space. We are not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- / Dining areas are available. Please reserve in advance, They are available on a first-come-first-serve basis.

#### ADDITIONAL EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

A copy of our official educational kit developed by the ISS National Laboratory to complement your field trip at Space Explorers: THE INFINITE can be downloaded by clicking here. This free guide for educators offers six activities appropriate for students in grades 3–8\* in both classrooms and informal learning environments such as after school programs, camps, and museums. Some of these are original activities developed by the Space Station Explorers team, and others are adapted from existing NASA educator resources. \*Lessons can be adapted for high school students.

