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**Grand Rapids Public Museum Adds Two New Shows**

**to the Line Up at the Chaffee Planetarium this Fall**

**Sesame Street’s *One World, One Sky and Friday Mediation***

**Grand Rapids, MI –** The Grand Rapids Public Museum (GRPM) will launch two brand new shows at the Chaffee Planetarium this month Sesame Street’s *One World, One Sky* and *Friday Mediation*.

*One World, One Sky* will thrill young audience members when they find themselves on Sesame Street with their famous friends, Big Bird and Elmo. The fun begins when Elmo’s friend, Hu Hu Zhu, visits from China and the three of them take the audience on an exciting journey of discovery to learn about the sun, stars, and Big Dipper. Elmo and Hu Hu Zhu blast off on an imaginary trip to the moon and when they return home to Earth everyone discovers that, no matter where we live, we all share the same sky.

*One World, One Sky* will begin showings on Saturday, September 16. Tickets may be purchased at the Museum’s front desk. Show times can be found by visiting grpm.org.

*One World, One Sky* is sponsored by the Baldwin Foundation and PNC Foundation.

*Friday Meditation* is a new experience being offered in the Chaffee Planetarium on Friday’s in conjunction with the Museum’s traveling exhibition, *Brain: The World Inside Your Head.* Visitors to *Friday Mediation* will first learn about the brain, what effects stress has on the brain and tools for mindfulness. Then, the experience will take visitors on a deep relaxation exercise where they marvel at beautiful scenery on the planetarium dome, while relaxing and mediating at the same time.

The experience will be offered during the lunch hour on Fridays starting on Friday, September 22 and continuing through the exhibitions closing in early January 2018.

Planetarium Shows are $4 with general admission and $5 for planetarium only. Museum members receive free admission to planetarium shows.

For additional information on the Chaffee Planetarium or to view the full schedule, visit grpm.org/planetarium.

G**rand Rapids Public Museum**

The Grand Rapids Public Museum is an invaluable, publicly-owned institution that is home to more than 250,000 unique artifacts that tell the history of Kent County and beyond, houses the only planetarium in the region, and is responsible for protecting the Norton Indian Mounds, a national historic landmark. The Grand Rapids Public Museum is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums, with its main location in downtown Grand Rapids, MI at 272 Pearl Street, NW. For additional information including hours of operation, admission fees and exhibit/event listings, please visit [www.grpm.org](http://www.grpm.org/).

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