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AR Sand Table Debuts This Month

Thanks to the generosity of those attending our 2019 signature event the Discovery Center and Foundation is proud to announce an Augmented Reality Sand Table will debut this Spring Break, March 9 - 13.

The community is invited to the FHDC from 10 AM - 5 PM to experience this interactive display for the first time. Funding for the AR Sand Table was made possible by generous donations from community members who attended the Flint Hills Discovery Center Foundation's fundraising event, Bison, Beef & Bourbon, held in November 2019. On Friday, February 28, the Flint Hills Discovery Center Foundation hosted a dedication event to thank the donors and allow them to be the first to try out the new Augmented Reality Sand Table. It is an exceptional experience for visitors of all ages. Come join us during Spring Break!



American Adventure Exhibit, Become a 1607 Colonist

In 1607, 104 settlers landed in America not knowing of the challenges they would face. The choices they made literally meant life or death. Ultimately just 38 of the settlers to this new country survived. How would you fair in the same circumstances? Find out!

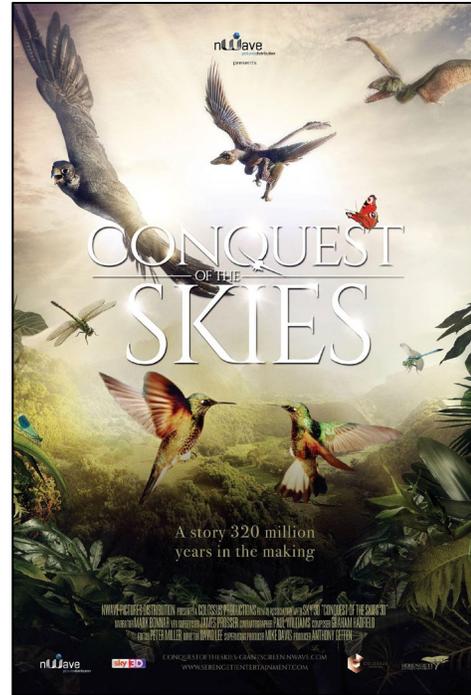
Take on the identity of a 17th century colonist in the *American Adventure*, an interactive exhibit by which your fate is determined. This hands-on educational adventure is designed for children, families and school groups. It features a zip line, rock climbing wall and more! The choices you make determine your fate. The exhibit engages children and adults. [The exhibit is here through May 10!](#) We thank **Dentistry by Design, Visit Manhattan** and the **annual fund donors of the Flint Hills Discovery Center Foundation** for helping make this exhibit possible!

Your Annual Flint Hills Discovery Center Membership is Reciprocal

Become a FHDC member today! Join via the website at www.flinthillsdiscovery.org/196/Membership-Benefits or by phone at 785-587-2726, or in person at the Flint Hills Discovery Center.

One of the lesser known benefits of a Flint Hills Discovery Center membership is access to other museums and discovery centers who are members of the Association of Science and Technology Centers' Travel Passport Program. This includes exceptional experiences in Kansas such as Exploration Place (Wichita), The Sternberg Museum (Hays) and the Cosmosphere (Hutchinson) and across America. Memberships include:

- One year of unlimited access to more than 10,000- square-foot of exhibits and the multimedia Horizon Ranch Flint Hills Immersive Theater experiences.
- Program and event discounts
- 10% discount on Gift Store merchandise
- Monthly E-newsletter
- Free or reduced admission to more than 340 participating science centers and museums courtesy of the [Association of Science and Technology Centers' Travel Passport program](#). For a complete list of participating institutions, please go to the [Association of Science and Technology Center website](#).



April 11 Celebrate Anne Wilson & Emily Connell, 2020 Friends of the Flint Hills

Have you secured tickets for the 8th Annual **Friend of The Flint Hills Celebration**? The Flint Hills Educational Map Program, and the two individuals who led the charge—Emily Connell and Anne Wilson—will be honored on Saturday, April 11. To secure your tickets please call 785-748-1275 or go online at <https://www.auctria.com/auction/friendoftheflinthills2020>

The Map Program launched a classroom curriculum utilizing an educational map to help teachers instruct students, aiding them in having a genuine understanding and appreciation for this unique region. It is hoped that this program develops a new generation of caretakers and advocates for our precious Flint Hills.

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