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Collections Family Events at the Illinois State Museum on Jan. 5

SPRINGFIELD, IL – The Illinois State Museum in Springfield invites families to learn more about collecting during two events on Saturday, January 5.

The "Collections" Super Saturday event will take place from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Participants will discover how to begin, care for, and display a collection whether it be rocks and minerals, toys, baseball cards, stamps, or coins. Activities include decorating a treasure box, a scavenger hunt, and more.

In conjunction with the Super Saturday event, visitors will be able to view the collections of local children and teens during the Junior Collector's Day program from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Collectors ages 8-15 will display their collections and tell the stories behind their fascinating objects. Collections may include rocks and minerals, action figures, art, and figurines.

Children ages 8-15 can register to display their collections by December 31 at bit.ly/jrcd2018 or by contacting Sarah Davis at <u>events@illinoisstatemuseum.org</u> or 217-782-6044. The Museum will provide a table, tablecloth, and sign for each collector. No buying, selling, or trading may take place.

Super Saturdays offer thematic activities recommended for children ages 5 and up each month. Activities take 30-40 minutes to complete and are included with Museum admission. Parents and families are encouraged to participate. For additional information, email <u>events@illinoisstatemuseum.org</u> or call 782-6044.

Super Saturday events at the ISM are sponsored by Bank of Springfield. The Museum is located at 502 South Spring St., in the State Capitol Complex in Springfield.