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Have a Rockin' Friday Night at the Museum

ALBANY, NY— The Albany Institute of History & Art invites families to a **free**, family-friendly rock and roll event at the museum on Friday, February 3, 2017 from 5-8pm. *Rock Out!* is perfect for all ages and is inspired by the current exhibition *Rock & Roll Icons: Photographs by Patrick Harbron*. This event is free and open to the public.

Activities include smashing a guitar piñata (pieces of a real guitar smashed by Pete Townsend are on loan from the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and on view in the exhibition), kids' karaoke, a scavenger hunt, and face painting in the style of David Bowie and the band KISS. Families will also enjoy delicious baked goods, generously donated by Freihofer's Bakery.



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Schedule:

- 5:15 Guitar Piñata
- 5:00-7:30 Face Painting
- 5:30-7:00 Karaoke
- 5:00-8:00 Rock & Roll Exhibition Scavenger Hunt

The Albany Institute of History & Art is located at 125 Washington Avenue in Albany, New York. Free parking is available in the museum's lot at the corner of Elk and Dove Streets.

The exhibition galleries, Museum Shop, and Crisan Café at the Albany Institute are open Wednesday 10am-5pm, Thursday 10am-8pm, Friday 10am-5pm, Saturday 10am-5pm, and Sunday noon-5pm. In addition, the café and museum shop are open Tuesdays from 10am-5pm. The Research Library is open on Thursdays from 1pm-4:30pm and by appointment.

Current admission rates are \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and students with ID, \$6 for children aged 6-12, and free for children under 6. Albany Institute members are admitted for free. There is no charge to visit the café or museum shop. The museum offers free admission to the galleries on Thursdays from 5pm-8pm and on the First Fridays of the month from 5pm-8pm. To learn about other discounts and free admission days, please refer to the Visit section of www.albanyinstitute.org.

For more information, visit www.albanyinstitute.org or call (518) 463-4478.

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Founded in 1791, the Albany Institute of History & Art is New York's oldest museum. Its collections document the Hudson Valley as a crossroads of culture, influencing the art and history of the region, the state, and the nation. With more than 35,000 objects and one million documents in the library, it is an important resource for the region, giving our community a sense of the part the Hudson Valley played in the American story, and our own place in history. Permanent and temporary exhibitions are open year-round and create a sense of place, allowing visitors to meet the people who helped shape this region. Among the museum's best-known and most-loved collections are the 19th century Hudson River School landscape paintings by artists like Thomas Cole and Frederic Church, the 19th century sculpture collections, and, of course, the famous Albany Mummies that came to the museum in 1909 and have been on view ever since. For more information, please visit www.albanyinstitute.org and be sure to follow us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/albanyinstitute) and Twitter (@AlbanyInstitute).