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December at the BMI

Upcoming Programs

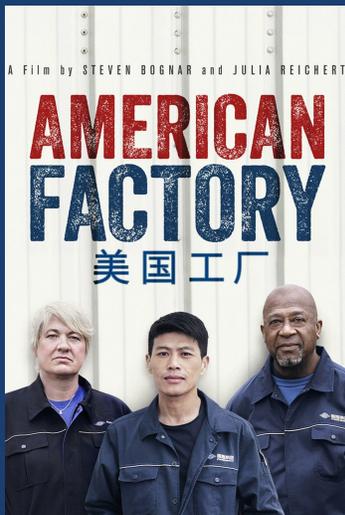
“AMERICAN FACTORY” SCREENING

A screening of the 2019 documentary “AMERICAN FACTORY” (1 hr 55 min) followed by a 30-minute panel on the future of work in Baltimore.

WHEN Mon, Jan 13/
6:30pm-9:00pm

WHERE SNF Parkway
Theatre, 5 W. North Avenue

COST Free | advanced
registration required- link
coming soon.



*Tours of galleries delight visitors of all ages!
Photo courtesy of Eric Stocklin.*

Give a gift that keeps on giving!

This holiday season, give a gift that will last all year. BMI membership provides free admission to the BMI, reduced or free registration for museum programs, discounts in our gift shop, access to members-only tours of local industries, and more.

Want to see what goes on behind the scenes at a museum? We provide members with special programs that let you go deeper into our exhibitions and collections. On December 8, the BMI will host a members-only event: *An Insider Look at the Garment Industry*, where attendees will enjoy a panel discussion and get up close to a variety of garment industry artifacts and objects!

Get #UpCloseAndIndustrial and give a BMI membership to everyone on your list!

[Click here to learn more about our membership program!](#)

MOTHER GOOSE ON THE LOOSE STORYTIME

Join Mr. Cork Thursday afternoons for pop-up Mother Goose on the Loose at the BMI!

Know some little ones who want to go on a musical adventure? This fun-filled storytime is just for them!

WHEN Every Thursday | 4:00pm-4:30pm

COST Free | Suggested Donation of \$2.



Have kids interested in building robots, cars, and hovercrafts? The BMI hosts the **Maryland Engineering Challenges** to introduce students in grades 1 to 12 to the role of engineers in today's society and connect what students learn in school with real-world engineering concepts. The 2020 challenges start in January. [Learn more here.](#)

BMI LIBRARY

Did you know that the BMI has an archives and research library? The archives contains primary source documentation from over 600 Baltimore-based companies and local



The BMI gift shop features locally crafted items. Photo courtesy of Elliott Watson.

BMI Gift Shop

December 1st was Museum Store Sunday, and visitors from all over the area stopped by the BMI not only for our exhibits, but for our gift shop too.

This holiday season make the BMI a destination for finding the perfect gift. From art to robotics starter kits for kids, our museum gift shop is filled with Baltimore-themed gifts offering something for everyone. The shop highlights the diversity of Baltimore creatives and showcases items that are one of a kind -- from local handmade jewelry to wonderfully scented candles and soaps. One gift flying off the shelves this season is the china pattern from the B&O Railroad dining cars reinterpreted in convenient paper plates and featured in **The Baltimore Sun**.

Our Sales and Operations Manager, Kelly Edelmann, has transformed the museum gift shop into a space that not only celebrates the history of Baltimore, but also features local artists of the present, and inspires Baltimore innovators of the future.

Stop by the BMI's gift shop and find the perfect present. *Remember: BMI members get 10% off!*

Check out some great gift ideas on the [Shop page.](#)

businesses. In addition, the research library holds over 5,000 books along with technical manuals, directories, journals, and periodicals.

The library complements the museum's exhibitions with subjects including steelmaking, textile manufacturing, communications, printing, transportation, and more.

While the BMI's library collection is non-circulating, anyone can access the [library catalog](#).

Make an appointment to access the library by contacting archives@thebmi.org.

Want to know what the BMI is up to?

Every month the BMI hosts various public programs and events at the museum: book talks, documentary screenings, and more!

To see our upcoming events click below!

[Calendar of Events](#)



From left to right: Keith Colston, Governor's Office of Community Initiatives, BMI Development Director Deborah Cardin, Roz Johnson, Maryland Lt. Governor Boyd Rutherford, BMI Executive Director Anita Kassof. Photos courtesy of Patrick Siebert.

More Parks Sausage Stories, Mom...Please!

On November 14 a breakfast food jingle known to generations was revived at a reception held in collaboration with the Henry G. Parks Foundation to celebrate the legacy of the founder of the Parks Sausage Company, Henry Parks. Parks Sausage was the first black-owned company to be traded on an American stock exchange. At the reception, Maryland Lt. Gov. Boyd Rutherford, and Roz Johnson, granddaughter of Henry G. Parks and creator of the foundation bearing his name, both provided inspiring remarks. Working with Ms. Johnson, the BMI announced plans for an exhibition highlighting Parks Sausage as part of a larger initiative to incorporate more stories of workers into our exhibitions.



A photo of Henry G. Parks at the reception in his honor.



Reframing the Narrative is a project that features the often untold stories of working people—including African Americans, immigrants, women, and other underrepresented groups—as the museum seeks to broaden perspectives on local industry. We at the BMI strive for transparency in our efforts to move the museum in a direction that reflects our values of inclusion. The story of Henry G. Parks Jr. is one of resiliency and excellence. As a black entrepreneur, he not only broke racial barriers and excelled in a white corporate world, he also helped set the standard for meat manufacturing and created a positive work environment for his workers.

“The BMI hopes to foster a stronger sense of inclusion for all visitors, and begin the process of establishing a new framework for future exhibition content. We’ve evolved as a museum community, as a city, and as a country since the museum’s founding in 1977 and we believe that a corrective to those omissions is long overdue.” - Anita Kassof, Executive Director

To support the BMI’s Reframing the Narrative initiative, visit our [website](#) or click below.

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