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## Balloon Hat Workshop April 22<sup>nd</sup>!

Winchester, VA 04/17/06 - In 1996, Addi Somekh and Charlie Eckert began traveling to different places in the world to make balloon hats for people and take photos of them. The goal was to show people all over the world laughing and having fun, and to emphasize the fact that all human beings are born with the ability to experience joy. In total, they visited 34 countries and have over 10,000 pictures. On Saturday April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Addi Somekh will visit the Discovery Museum! Experience the joy of the Balloon Hat Project and create your very own outrageous balloon hat. The Program will be from 11a.m. – 2p.m., and is free with Museum Admission. Check out [www.balloonhat.com](http://www.balloonhat.com) for amazing photos of the Balloon Hat Project!.

The Shenandoah Valley Discovery Museum offers an interactive, hands-on experience for families, which focuses on the sciences, mathematics, humanities, and the arts. Explore the exhibits in natural history, paleontology, simple machines, and art-in-the-making. Scale a climbing wall, race balls through loops and ramps in Raceways, step back in time to a life closer to nature in A Walk Along The Moccasin Trail or the pretend you're saving lives in the medical cove of Our Town. At the Discovery Museum to touch is to explore, to explore is to discover, and to discover is to learn!

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