A Very Eric Carle exhibit

LI CHILDREN’S MUSEUM CELEBRATES THE BELOVED 'HUNGRY CATERPILLAR' AUTHOR B4

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Creep through tall grass, weave a spider web and more at the new hands-on exhibit at the Long Island Children’s Museum in Uniondale, called "Very Eric Carle: A Very Hungry, Quiet, Lonely, Clumsy, Busy Exhibit."

The activities are indoors — but the exhibit is all about the outdoor world created by Carle in "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" and the subsequent children’s books in his "Very" series: "The Very Busy Spider," "The Very Clumsy Click Beetle," "The Very Lonely Firefly" and "The Very Quiet Cricket."

Adults and children can devour the world of author Eric Carle at LI Children’s Museum

Carle wrote and illustrated the book that started it all in 1969. "A lot of parents remember the book and bring them," says Maureen Mangin, the exhibit director. The picture book has sold more than 50 million copies since, which makes the exhibit nostalgia for adults as well as relevant for children today, Mangin says.

Here are six things to do at the traveling exhibit, which was created by The Pittsburgh Children’s Museum in conjunction with The Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art. The exhibit is on display at LI Children’s Museum through May 12. The exhibit is sponsored by museum admission.

**Educator Abby Gusa welcomes third graders from the Park Avenue Elementary School in Westbury.**

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**Jade Zibello makes a cricket at the Long Island Children’s Museum exhibit.**

**Newsday Whitehouse explores the new exhibit newsday.tv**

**Westbury third grade who was at the exhibit during a recent school field trip**

**Help right ‘The Very Clumsy Click Beetle’ Kids "tipo" on the wooden keys of the ‘Click Beetle’ piano to help fly the beetle, who has fallen onto his back, right-side-up again.**

**Make your own collage "In the studio space you can create a collage with Eric Carle’s and his process when he was creating his artwork," Niver says. Parents and children can recreate Carle’s characters and create their own storylines, she says.**

**Get cozy with an Eric Carle book**

There’s a book nook with chairs and a puzzle area on the floor. "You can cuddle up with your child and enjoy some of the ‘Very’ stories together," Niver says. "There’s an area on the floor with your child to build these lovely three-dimensional puzzles of the characters in the story."