

Scouting Around Harlingen



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REQUIREMENTS FOR SCOUTING AROUND HARLINGEN

Complete the starred activity (**) and three additional activities to earn the patch.

1. HARLINGEN ART FORUM GALLERY

Location & Contact Information:	115 E. Jackson St. Harlingen, TX 78550 Phone: (956) 425-4030 Website: http://www.harlingenartforum.com
Hours:	Tuesday thru Saturday: 10:00am-5:00pm CLOSED Sunday & Monday
Admission:	Admission is free.
What to do:	Tour the gallery. Discuss with your group the feelings that you get from viewing collections. Find a local artist's work that you enjoy and ask a gallery volunteer for more information about the artist.

2. MUSEUMS OF PORT ISABEL

Location & Contact Information:	317 Railroad Ave. Port Isabel, TX 78578 Phone: (956) 943-0789 Website: http://www.portisabelmuseums.com
Hours:	Historic Museum & Treasures of the Gulf Museum: Tuesday thru Saturday: 10:00am-4:00pm CLOSED Sunday & Monday Port Isabel Lighthouse: Currently closed for renovation is scheduled to open June 1, 2017 Daily 9:00am-5:00pm Call for Summer hours.
Admission:	Admission to all three sites: Children 4 and under: Free Students K-College with ID: \$2.00 Adults: \$7.00
What to do:	Tour the museums and view the Fish Mural.
Answer these questions:	1. When was the Fish Mural painted? 2. The Historical Museum is housed in the Champion Building. What year was it built? 3. How many Spanish ships were ship-wrecked off the Northern end of South Padre Island?

3. PALO ALTO BATTLEFIELD

Location & Contact Information:	Intersection of FM 511 and FM 1847 five miles north of Brownsville, TX Phone: (956) 541-2785 Website: http://www.nps.gov/paal
Hours:	Daily 8:00am-5:00pm
Admission:	Admission is free.
What to do:	Tour the battlefield and recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Visit the center and view the exhibits and orientation video.
Answer these questions:	1. On what day did General Taylor arrive at Palo Alto? 2. What kind of site is the Palo Alto Battlefield now?

4. SEA TURTLE, INC.

Location & Contact Information:	6617 Padre Blvd. South Padre Island, TX Phone: (956) 761-4511 Website: http://www.seaturtleinc.com/
Hours:	Tuesday thru Sunday: 10:00am-4:00pm CLOSED: Monday
Admission:	Children under 5: Free Children over 5: \$2.00 Adults: \$4.00
What to do:	Visit the center at 10:00am to see a Turtle Show. Talk to a volunteer about the different species of sea turtles, their importance to the environment, and what individuals can do to pull them back from the edge of extinction.
Answer these questions:	1. Fossil turtles date back to what era? 2. Instead of teeth, turtles are equipped with what? 3. Are turtles cold-blooded or warm-blooded?

**5. THE HARLINGEN ARTS & HERITAGE MUSEUM

Location & Contact Information:	2425 Boxwood Harlingen, TX 78550 Phone: (956) 216-4301 Website: http://www.myharlingen.us/harlingen_museum.htm
Hours:	Tuesday thru Saturday: 10:00am-4:00pm Monday: 1:00pm – 4:00pm CLOSED Sunday
Admission:	Admission is free. Donations are encouraged.
What to do:	Tour the museum and learn about artists.
Answer these	1. What is the name of the founder of Harlingen?

questions:	<p>2. Who is Rigoberto Gonzalez?</p> <p>3. What university did he attend?</p> <p>4. Where did he travel to study Rembrandt?</p>
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6. HARLINGEN PERFORMING ARTS THEATRE

Location & Contact Information:	<p>1209 Fair Park Harlingen, TX 78550 Phone: (956) 412-7529 Website: http://www.harlingenplays.com</p>
Hours:	Call to schedule a time to visit.
Admission:	Call to ask about rates.
What to do:	Research past plays and find out what plays showed on the year you were born.
Answer these questions:	<p>1. What year was the Country Playhouse organized?</p> <p>2. Between 1974 and 1980 the Playhouse presented its productions at what school?</p>

7. GLADYS PORTER ZOO

Location & Contact Information:	<p>500 Ringold St. Brownsville, TX 78520 Phone: (956) 546-7187 Website: http://www.gpz.org</p>
Hours:	<p>Daily 9:00am-5:00pm Extended hours in summer</p>
Admission:	<p>Children under 2: Free Children 2-13: \$6.00 Adults: \$9.00 Group rates available. Call for details.</p>
What to do:	Tour the zoo and take pictures of your favorite animals.

8. CAMILLE PLAYHOUSE

Location & Contact Information:	<p>1 Dean Porter Park Brownsville, TX 78520 Phone: (956) 542-8900 Website: http://www.camilleplayers.cjb.net</p>
Hours:	Call for show and workshop times.
Admission:	<p>Tickets to shows: Children 12 and under: \$5.00 Students: \$10.00</p>

	Adults: \$15.00 Musicals: Children 12 and under: \$7.00 Students: \$12.00 Adults: \$20.00 Tickets to workshops: \$5.00 per person
What to do:	Watch a show or attend a workshop.

9. BROWNSVILLE HERITAGE COMPLEX

Location & Contact Information:	1325 E. Washington St. Brownsville, TX 78520 Phone: (956) 541-5560 Website: http://brownsvillehistory.org/
Hours:	Tuesday thru Saturday: 10:00am-4:00pm CLOSED Sunday & Monday
Admission:	Children under 6: free Students: \$2.00 Adults: \$5.00
What to do:	The Heritage Complex consists of five facilities: Stillman House Museum, Brownsville Heritage Museum, Aiken Education Center, Heritage Resource Center, and Old City Cemetery Center. Tour these five areas.
Answer these questions:	1. What year was the Stillman House built? 2. Who was the founder of Brownsville?

10. BROWNSVILLE MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

Location & Contact Information:	660 E. Ringgold Brownsville, TX Phone: (956) 542-0941 Website: http://www.brownsvillemfa.org
Hours:	Thursday 10AM–4PM Friday 10AM–4PM Saturday 10AM–4PM Sunday Closed Monday 10AM–4PM Tuesday 10AM–4PM Wednesday 10AM–8PM
Admission:	Children: \$3.00 Adults: \$5.00

What to do:

Tour the museum and find out which items are from local artists.

Answer these questions:

1. The museum is adjacent to what?
2. How big is the museum?

ANSWERS TO SCOUTING AROUND HARLINGEN QUESTIONS

2. MUSEUMS OF PORT ISABEL

Answer these questions:

1. What year was the fish mural painted?
A. 1906
2. The Historical Museum is housed in the Champion Building. What year was it built?
A. 1899
3. How many Spanish ships were ship-wrecked off the northern end of South Padre Island?
A. Three

3. PALO ALTO BATTLEFIELD

Answer these questions:

1. General Taylor arrived at Palo Alto on what day?
A. May 8, 1846
2. What kind of site is the Palo Alto Battlefield now?
A. National Historic Site

4. SEA TURTLE, INC.

Answer these questions:

1. Fossil turtles date back to what era?
A. Triassic Era (100 million years ago)
2. Instead of teeth, the turtles are equipped with what?
A. A horny bill
3. Are turtles cold-blooded or warm-blooded?
A. Cold-blooded

**5. HARLINGEN ARTS & HERITAGE MUSEUM

Answer these questions:

1. What is the name of the founder of Harlingen?
A. Lon C. Hill
2. Who is Rigoberto Gonzalez?
A. A local artist and educator
3. What university did Roberto Gonzalez attend?
A. University of Texas Pan American
4. Where did he travel to study Rembrandt?
A. Amsterdam

6. HARLINGEN PERFORMING ARTS THEATRE

Answer these questions:

1. What year was the Country Playhouse organized?
A. 1974
2. Between 1974 and 1980 the Playhouse presented its productions at what school?
A. The BRIGGS – Coleman School

9. BROWNSVILLE HERITAGE COMPLEX

Answer these questions:

1. What year was the Stillman House built?
A. 1850
2. Who was the founder of Brownsville?
A. Charles Stillman

10. BROWNSVILLE MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

Answer these questions:

1. The museum is adjacent to what?
A. The Gladys Porter Zoo
2. How big is the museum?
A. 17,000 square foot

**SCOUTING AROUND HARLINGEN
REPORT FORM**

TROOP #: _____ Leader's Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Date Completed: _____ Number of girls completing patch program: _____

Give a brief report of the girl's reaction to the activities: _____

What activity the girls like least? _____

What activity did the girls like the most? _____

Other comments: _____

NUMBER OF CENTER PATCHES NEEDED _____

NUMBER OF ROCKER PATCHES NEEDED _____

THE CENTER PATCH AND ROCKERS ARE \$1.50 PLUS TAX (.0825) EACH
ADD 10% FOR POSTAGE AND HANDLING (\$.50 MIN - \$7.50 MAX)

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Report filed: _____ Number of patches: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

Patches Mailed: _____ Receipt Number: _____