



Fingerprints

Monthly newsletter of The Children's Museum of History, Natural History, Science & Technology July 2003



Summer Programs/Events at the Children's Museum



During the year, school groups & scouts from throughout CNY come to the museum for educational enrichment programs. In the summer, *daycare providers bring youngsters to the museum for field trips while families & tourists visit.*

Young people of all ages participate in a number of different programs offered on various days of the week. (*view more on web's Program pg.*)

Summer program offerings include Trumpet

Bonanza; Erie Canal; Fun with Spanish; Weather Phenom; Crafty Creations; Cultural Folk Lore; Space Science; Karaoke Comvos; Science Fiction MadLib; Portrait Tees; DinoMight DigIt; Insects & Animals; Earth Crews; Planet Parade; Rocket Building; Pinch Pots; CNY Trivia; Shark Attack; All Wound Up; Different Strokes; All Powered Up; Chemistry of a Candle; Explosive Water; Rub-A-Dub-Dub; Lego Challenge; Talent Shows.

If you haven't been to the Museum in a while, you're in for a treat at CNY's #1 family & tourist attraction

Mark your calendars for the August 1st grand opening/induction ceremony of the Int'l Halls of Fame: Bicycling, Rowing, Canoeing, Kayaking at the Children's Museum; for the August 22nd Friday Night at Baggs Square, and for Genesis's August 23rd-24th Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball.

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Thomas the Train Rolled in to ASR & CM

Adirondack Scenic Railroad hosted A Day Out with Thomas at Utica's Union Station & the Children's Museum.

Included were train rides on an ASR passenger coach with Thomas pulling the train.

The Railroad & Museum partnered on several events, including music, videos, sto-

rytelling, live entertainment, tattoos, lego exhibits.

The museum was open 9:30am to 4:30pm on the six Thomas Days. 9 trains a day went out of Union Station, with nearly 15,000 people taking part in museum events.

1st floor, children under 5 years of age enjoyed our life-size wooden train while listening to Thomas songs and music on a Big Apple system while older children enjoyed

watching Thomas videos in our Main Street area.

2nd floor stage area, children enjoyed storytelling & live entertainment, including Smiley the Clown, Amendolare Magic, DJ Pat Putrello.

3rd floor, they colored Thomas pictures, got tattoos, and viewed a 30 by 13 ft lego exhibit by The Lego Users of CNY.

What a great fun event.

VOLUNTEER: Donate your services, volunteer your time, offer your talents, bring your kids, family, your group to the only Children's Museum in Central NY, Help make a difference in your community by becoming part of a wonderful legacy that will live on long after we're gone! We're proud to be an important asset to our community.



Executive Director's Report: Museum's New Growth/Exhibits

The Children's Museum forward movement focuses this month on: installing a video surveillance system to keep our kids & exhibits safe, continued work on our 4th floor building renovations, and building an Erie Canal working exhibit for kids.

Our NYS Curriculum Enrichment Programs are offered to educators and children from Preschools & Daycare Centers to Elementary Schools & Scout troops. Included in our lineup



of programs are: Moccasins & Sneakers, Dinosaurs & Fossils, History in the Bag, Dance of the Honeybee, Music on the Move, Making Tracks, NYS Geology Intro, Going on Bug Hunt, Weather Exploration, Space Science Exploration, plus our NASA Earth Crew & Rocket Building Clubs.

Groups gain admission to the museum's four floors of interactive exhibits, and may opt for a program presented by one of our educators. Bag lunches can be eaten

in our park, our kitchen, or on our 3rd floor. Snacks are available in our Museum Cafe.

Along with our ever-popular weekend Birthday Parties, we also offer meeting space and tours of our historic Main Street Square building, our trains, and of historic Baggs Square Park.

Call us at 315-724-6129 or fill out our easy online form to book your program, birthday, meeting, or special event.

www.museum4kids.net/



There's Always a Rainbow at CM

"Happy children grow up to be happy adults, who are more likely to stay & support the community they grew up in". Central New York's only Children's Museum – a safe, fun, learning environment– is a definite asset to the Mohawk Valley, one all residents can be both proud of and utilize to its highest capacity. One of the oldest Children's Museum's in the country, we're continuing the renovation of our 4th floor, bringing in new exhibits, making the Museum more energy efficient & comfortable for visitors.

What better place to bring * your students on a field trip? * your scouts to earn a badge? * your family for a great day out? * your children for a fun learning time? * your grandchildren to enjoy? * your group for a tour? * your association for a meeting?

No matter what the weather, the sun's always shining year round at the Children's Museum. Come see for yourself!

CM Board of Directors
Chair: Dave Pendergast; **Vice Chairs:** John Stephenson & Dan Trevisani; **Secretary:** Sarah Kilian; **Treasurer:** Scott Madonia; Jeff Daniels, Katie Drake, Anna Giacobbe, Sharon Hieber, Jennifer Herzog, Terri Palmiero, Patrick Quinn, Jen Rota, Joe Ruggerio, Margaret Splain, Gail Scalise.
Staff/Volunteers/Interns:
Marlene Brown, Earl Lewis, Don Zyga, Melissa Garguilo, Marcia Jackson-Rios, Paul Perry, Dorian Mohar, Katie Louer; Brian Kobos; Amelia Padillia.

Become A CM Hero as a Volunteer or Corporate Sponsor



We welcome volunteers to help with our many activities.

There's no greater reward than helping the children.

How can you help? You can assist with regularly scheduled programs, offer a program in your area of talent or interest, help keep the museum ship-shape, or donate toys, exhibits, art supplies, edu-

cational items of value. These will give you a renewed sense of pride as we continue to serve the children, our future.

A *Corporate Membership* is a positive way to impact the community. Our *levels of corporate sponsors* include a \$250 T-Rex, a \$500 Velociraptor, a \$1,000 Brontosaurus, a \$2,000 Triceratops, a \$5,000 Diplodocus,

& a \$10,000 Oviraptor. We value, and welcome your donations & support as we continue to grow!





Our Anniversary Corporate Campaign is underway to bring new sponsors on board as *CM Heroes*. Show your thanks by taking advantage of their products & services.

July '03 Calendar

This service is made possible with funds from the New York State Council on the Arts, a state agency. Thank you also to the NYS Office of Children and Family Services for funds provided through the Oneida & Herkimer County Youth Bureaus to support the Museum's Youth Education Enrichment Programs.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 ? 11:00am Arts & Crafts	2 ? 11:00am Music for Munchkins	3 ? 11:00a Feeding our Animals	4 ? Closed for 4th of July holiday	5 ? TrainTour 12-2; Science Saturday
6 ? Museum closed, trains outside open	7 ? 11:00a Feeding our Animals	8 ? Same schedule as the 1st	9 ? Same schedule as the 2nd	10 ? Same schedule as the 3rd	11 ? 11:00a Puppet Storytime	12 ? Same schedule as the 5th
13 ? Same Schedule as the 6th	14 ? Same schedule as the 7th	15 ? Same schedule as the 1st	16 ? Same schedule as the 2nd	17 ? Same schedule as the 3rd	18 ? Same schedule as the 11th	19 ? Same schedule as the 5th
20 ? Same Schedule as the 6th	21 ? Same schedule as the 7th	22 ? Same schedule as the 1st	23 ? Same schedule as the 2nd	24 ? Same schedule as the 3rd	25 ? Same schedule as the 11th	26 ? Same schedule as the 5th
27 ? Same Schedule as the 6th	28 ? Same schedule as the 7th	29 ? Same schedule as the 1st	30 ? Same schedule as the 2nd	31 ? Same schedule as the 3rd	* Additional programs will also be presented daily	* Some of the add'l programs have a small materials fee



Join the many families & groups who book *birthday parties, educational field trips & meetings* at the Children's Museum! Check our website, call us 315-724-6129, visit us in person. Here's some of what you'll find: *1st floor* - Play Space, Exploration Space, Saturn, MusicFun, Tea Room, Dentist Office, Grocery Store, Trains; *2nd floor* - Longhouse, Diorama, Fossils, Dinosaurs; *3rd floor* - Living Science, Animals, Legos, Computers, Arts & Crafts, Weather Room, Halls of Fame.

Our *4th floor*, entitled "Transportation Yesterday, Today, & Tomorrow" features exciting new exhibits, including: our Airplane, Fire & Police Dept., NASA & Dept. of Energy Office of Science exhibits. This floor is open 11:30am-12:30pm & again from 1:30pm-2:30pm Monday-Saturday.

Mark your calendars for special upcoming programs & activities. August 1st will be the grand opening / induction ceremonies of our International Halls of Fame: Bicycling, Rowing, Kayaking, Canoeing; August 22nd we'll be celebrating Friday Night in Baggs Square (formerly Wine & Art); August 23rd & 24th Genesis II presents Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball in the streets of Utica (with the museum as their charity of choice).

Volunteer your services to help with special events! Check our website for updated info!

Contact Info:

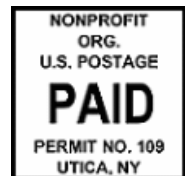
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July Museum Hours:

Monday-Friday 10:00am to 4:00pm;
Saturday 10:30am to 4:00pm (Closed Sun)

Admission:

\$4.00 per person, Members + children 12 months & under Free (*except for special events*). Special group rates available.



Check our website for up to date info, pictures, programs, hours, special events!

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CM's Heroes & Heroines: they make a difference.

- * Director Sean O'Keefe, NASA * Dr. Ray Orbach, DOE's Office of Science
- * Congressman Sherry Boehlert * NYS Senator Ray Meier * Ralph Eannace
- * Assemblywoman RoAnn Destito * Interim County Executive Joe Griffo
- * Princeton Plasma Physics Lab * Fermi Lab * Utica Fire Marshall Dan Trevisani * GE Elfun's
- * Fleet Bank * Affordable High Powered Computers * Adelpia * Ted Kibick * Big Apple Music
- * Utica Fire & Police Dept's * Chuck Fougner, Oneida Indian Nation * Sheriff Dan Middaugh
- * Frank Gruenewald * Sen. Donovan Memorial Fund * Community Foundation * Carbone Auto
- * Oxford Medical Imaging * RigAll's Patty & Rusty Williams * Mitch & SnowGrass * Con Med
- * Pacemaker Millar * Gauthier Fabricating * Mauro's Glass * Madonia Electric * Ed Waskiewicz
- * Zangrilli Engineering * Jay-K Lumber * Daniel's* Bernie Coffey/I.B.E.W.#43 * DJ Pat Putrello
- * Drs. Anthony Furino & John Hamlin * New Hartford Hannaford's * SBU * Mayor Tim Julian
- * Earle Reed, ECR. * Tom & Evergreen * The Beeches * Wilcor Int'l * Rick Falvo, Brandeles Corp.
- * Piano Lab * SCI Plywood * The Fountainhead Group * Dr. Joel Amidon * Lego Users of CNY
- * Lincoln-Davies * Indium Corp * Roger Sinnott * Burns Agency * Amendolare Magic Productions
- * Fred Collis & Sons * Bronson Construction * Jos Flihan Co * Metzler Printing * Smiley the Clown
- * Scalzo, Zogby, Wittig * H.R. Beebe * Joe Fraccola/U.S.P.S. * Dave Boardman * Hartford Ins
- * MVCC's Carpentry Class & Escoffier * OC Work Release * MV Business Journal * Valley View
- * NY Power Authority * Herkimer Telegram * WKTV * WUTR * Regent Bdcstg * The Utica O.D.
- * College & School volunteers * Earl Lewis * The Staff & our Interns * The Board of Directors

