



Fingerprints

Fingerprints is a monthly newsletter of The Children's Museum, 311 Main Street, Utica, NY 13501 * July 2005



Festival Of Nations July 15th & 16th; Int'l Halls of Fame Induction Aug. 5th; Vino/Ale/Art Aug. 26th



The Children's Museum
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*Visit us on the web:
www.museum4kids.net*

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Children's Museum Summer Events are already underway. Several activities will be going on every day we're open for visitors to enjoy.

PROGRAMS:

Monday's: Crafty Creations & Cultural Kettle.

Tuesday's: Cute Critters & Dino Digs.

Thursday's: Musical Mayhem & Sculpture Pots.

Friday's: Puppet Theatre and Paint & Design.

Saturday's: Lego Challenge; Radio D-Jays; Science Space Place; Weather Phenomenon.

Every Day: Space Exploration; Play Space; Exploration

Station; Iroquois Longhouse; Train & Sports interactive exhibits.

View further information on our Summer 2005 Program sheet in the museum/on our website.

EVENTS:

7/15 & 7/16/05 - Festival of Nations (at CM - from 11am to 3pm) Come join the festivities as various local cultures enlighten you with their music, customs & crafts.

8/5/05 - Int'l Halls of Fame Bicycling, Rowing, Canoeing, Kayaking 2nd Induction Ceremony

(at CM 11am to 1pm) Come see who the latest sports figures are who will join our illustrious BRKC Hall of Fame.

8/26/05 - Vino, Ale & Art (at Baggs Square - 6:30pm to 9:30pm) Enjoy an evening under the stars with music, food & beverages, while viewing our neat silent auction items.

View further information and pictures from last year's events on our website.

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Newest NASA exhibits Entertain & Inform



Our newest NASA exhibit, "Why We Explore", with a special tribute to NYS astronauts, is now at CM.

Entertaining & informing viewers with the story of human exploration of space, a Space Scale, and an interactive Timeline

Kiosk, it joins our other 4th floor NASA exhibits, including: the space shuttle Orbiter Columbia, a Lunar Lander module, and a Mars Rover exhibit.

Viewing exhibit is available to museum visitors on days we're open, during these time frames: 11:30a-12:00p, 1:00 to 1:30p, 2:30 to 3:00p.

NASA's Intl Space Station trailers are at the Museum until July 8th. Touring available to museum visitors on days we're open, during these time frames: 11:00 to 11:30am and 1:30 to 2:00pm. Viewing this exhibit is free with paid Museum admission.

View pictures on website.

VOLUNTEER: Donate your services & exhibits, offer your talents, volunteer your time, 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.



Director's Report: Thanks to Luau auction item donors & sponsors and to our Golf Tournament team players and sponsors

Our thanks to the NASA officials, Astronaut Ed Lu, Congressman Sherry Boehlert, Board members & invited guests who participated in the June Grand Opening of our newest NASA exhibits.



We also thank those who are contributing to the Marlene Brown/Earl Lewis Community Foundation Children's Museum Endowment Fund.

Day care and scout groups continue booking field trips into the museum

to take advantage of our programs and exhibits. And parents continue booking children's birthday parties.

We're proud of our 1,000's of exhibits designed for educationally enjoyable experiences for kids 1 to 101 at the only children's museum adopted by NASA & DOE's OS.

Our NYS Curriculum Enrichment Programs are offered to educators and children from Pre-K & Daycare Centers to Elementary & Middle Schools & Scout troops. Our 36

educational programs may be viewed on our website's Program & Visit page.

Groups gain admission to the museum's 4 floors of interactive exhibits, and may opt for a program presented by our educators. Bag lunches can be eaten at the museum & pre-ordered food is available in our Cafe.

View more information and pictures on our website at: www.museum4kids.net/



There's Always a Fun Rainbow at CM

Happy children grow up to be happy adults, who are more likely to stay & support the community they grew up in. CNY's only Children's Museum — a safe, fun, learning environment— is a definite asset to the Mohawk Valley, one all residents can be proud of and utilize to its highest capacity. One of the oldest Children's Museum's in the country, we're continuing renovations and new exhibits.

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 time? * your grandchildren to enjoy? * your group for a tour? * your association for a meeting? 1st floor, children under 5 years of age enjoy our life-size wooden train in PlaySpace while older children enjoy Main Street Exploration Space. 2nd floor enjoy karaoke, Diorama, Erie Canal & Dinorama exhibits. 3rd floor, Our Animals, Interactive Train & Lego exhibits, Int'l Halls of Fame. 4th floor, Fire & Police artifacts/exhibits, our airplanes, Hot Wheels, intriguing NASA & Science exhibits.

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Volunteer: Exhibits Manager/ Birthday Parties Earl Lewis.

Become A CM Hero: Corporate Sponsor; Donor; Volunteer; Wish List



We welcome volunteers. 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 shipshape, or help by donating to our wish list: toys in good shape, exhibit items, art supplies,

educational 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 your donations & support.

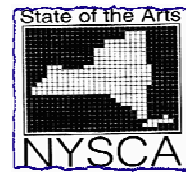


Our 42nd Anniversary Campaign is underway to gain new & renewed sponsors as *CM Heroes (check back page)*. Please show your thanks by investing in their products/services.

Check out our Sponsors & Donors page on our website.

July '05 Calendar

This service is made possible with funds from the New York State Council on the Arts, a state agency. Thank you also to our many sponsors who support the Children's Museum's Youth Education Enrichment Programs and Exhibits.



Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

6-26 <i>Closed</i>	6-27 11a / 2p Craft Creations / Culture Kettle	6-28 11am / 2pm Cute Critters / Dino Digs	6-29 <i>Closed</i>	6-30 11a / 2p Musical Mayhem / Sculpture Pots	7-1 11a/2p Puppet Theater/ Paint & Design	7-2 Lego Challenge; Radio D-Jays; Science & Space
7-3 <i>Closed</i>	7-4 <i>Closed for holiday</i>	7-5 11am / 2pm Cute Critters / Dino Digs	7-6 <i>Closed</i>	7-7 11a / 2p Musical Mayhem / Sculpture Pots	7-8 11a/2p Puppet Theater/ Paint & Design	7-9 <i>Closed for Boilermaker</i>
7-10 <i>Closed</i>	7-11 11a / 2p Craft Creations / Culture Kettle	7-12 11am / 2pm Cute Critters / Dino Digs	7-13 <i>Closed</i>	7-14 11a / 2p Musical Mayhem / Sculpture Pots	7-15 10am-3pm Festival of Nations	7-16 10am-3pm Festival of Nations
7-17 <i>Closed</i>	7-18 11a / 2p Craft Creations / Culture Kettle	7-19 11am / 2pm Cute Critters / Dino Digs	7-20 <i>Closed</i>	7-21 11a / 2p Musical Mayhem / Sculpture Pots	7-22 11a/2p Puppet Theater/ Paint & Design	7-23 Lego Challenge; Radio D-Jays; Science & Space
7-24 <i>Closed</i>	7-25 11a / 2p Craft Creations / Culture Kettle	7-26 11am / 2pm Cute Critters / Dino Digs	7-27 <i>Closed</i>	7-28 11a / 2p Musical Mayhem / Sculpture Pots	7-29 11a/2p Puppet Theater/ Paint & Design	7-30 Lego Challenge; Radio D-Jays; Science & Space



Join the many educators, families & groups who book *birthday parties, educational field trips & tours* at the Children's Museum! Check our website, call us at 315-724-6129, visit us in person. Here's some of what you'll find: *1st floor* - Play Space, Exploration Space, Saturn, Tea Room, Dentist Office, Grocery Store, Trains; *2nd floor* - Musical Stage, Iroquois Longhouse, History Diorama, Fossils, Dinosaurs; *3rd floor* - Science Room, Animals & Insects, Legos, Computers, Arts & Crafts, Weather Room, Int'l Halls of Fame; *4th floor* (open 11:30a-12:00p, 1:00-1:30p & 2:30-3:00pm) Airplanes, Fire & Police Dept. exhibits, NASA exhibits, Office of Science exhibits, Carriage & Buggy exhibits, Hot Wheels Hall.

Mark your calendars for upcoming events:

7/15 & 7/16/05 - Festival of Nations (11:00 am-3:00 pm);

8/5/05 - Int'l Halls of Fame Induction (11:00 am-1:00 pm);

8/26/05- Vino, Ale & Art in Baggs Square (6:30 pm-9:30 pm).

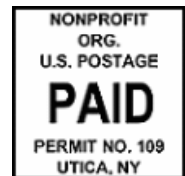
Check our website for updated information on all these neat events! www.museum4kids.net

Contact Info:

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Museum Hours: Open Mon, Tues.,
Thurs. Fri., Saturday 9:45am to 3:45pm;
Closed Wed. & Sun. & some holidays

Admission: \$6. for adults & children;
Members + under 1 yr Free (*reduced
member fee for some special events*).
Special group rates available.



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



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