



Children's Museum of Atlanta

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Children's Museum of Atlanta announces packed September programming schedule!

Families to FALL in love with fun and education all month long

ATLANTA (August 18, 2016) – Breeze into autumn with an abundance of new activities at **Children's Museum of Atlanta!** Whether it's hunting for prehistoric pals during the "Dinosaur Scavenger Hunt," participating in a cooking demonstration with delicious Georgia-grown produce or learning about light and robotics at the new STEM exhibit area, children will harvest a plethora of entertainment and education through the power of play this fall!

New Feature Exhibit: Magic Tree House®

Available September 24, 2016 –January 16, 2017

Young explorers are invited to swing into adventure at the **Children's Museum of Atlanta's** newest feature exhibit **Magic Tree House®**, an educational traveling exhibition created by The Magic House® and based on the best-selling children's book series written by Mary Pope Osborne. Taking root in Atlanta **September 24, 2016**, visitors will branch out through three periods of American history including the first Thanksgiving, the Civil War and life on the prairie circa 1870. Guided by Jack and Annie, two ordinary siblings from Frog Creek, Penn., children of all ages will exercise their imaginations with interactive activities and simulations via a magical, time-traveling tree house!

Daily interim programming (September 6-23)

Mini-Musical: Beebo and Ravioli's Spectacular Circus

Weekdays and Sundays 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.; Saturdays 11 a.m. 1 and 3 p.m.

Written by Yolanda Hernandez

Children will step right up and become a part of *Beebo's and Ravioli's Spectacular Circus* as a clown, acrobatic performer or a circus animal! During this 20-minute original mini-musical, kids will let out plenty of laughter while learning how to be active and make healthy food choices.

Story Time

Weekdays and Saturdays at 1 p.m.; Sundays at 2 p.m.

- **"Circus Train" by Jennifer Cole Judd**

As the circus train rolls into town, children and parents will head to the Big Top to have their faces painted before scurrying to their seats for an elaborate story filled with flipping trapeze artists, dancing elephants and pie-throwing clowns!

Music & Movement

Weekdays and Saturdays at 2 p.m.; Sundays at 3 p.m.

- **Clown School**

Children can join the Imaginators to learn how to make funny faces, walk a tightrope, balance on stilts, master juggling, jump through hoops and even tame lions, oh my!

Super Spectacular Science Show

Weekdays at 3 p.m. and weekends at 4 p.m.

Join Professor Lab Coat and his assistants each afternoon to watch a mesmerizing science demonstration put on for the entire Museum.

Eat A Georgia Rainbow

Sundays at 12 p.m.

Children will embark on a scavenger hunt and cold cooking activity with the Imaginators to learn more about fruits and veggies that are harvested in Georgia throughout the year.

Art Studio

Weekdays 10:30 a.m. –3:30 p.m.; Weekends 11 a.m. –4 p.m.

- **Twirling Circus Baton**

In Beebo and Ravioli's spectacular circus show, Ravioli amazes the audience with his juggling skills.

Children who want to be spectacular jugglers like Ravioli can create a twirling circus baton! Afterwards, they can take their homemade baton to the circus show to try it out with Ravioli's help.

Build It Lab

Weekdays, 10:30 a.m. –3:30 p.m.; Weekends 11 a.m. –4 p.m.

Children will take spin with building their own functioning Ferris Wheel using cardboard and Dixie cups.

Step Up to Science Bar

Weekdays 10:30 a.m. –2:30 p.m.; Weekends 11 a.m. –3:30 p.m.

Science is everywhere, especially on the mezzanine at the Museum! Step Up to Science is the new STEM exhibit area featuring interactive exhibits about light, robotics and how the human body works! Families can saddle up to the science bar for a full menu of fun activities, knowledge and questions turned into answers by one of the STEM educators.

Daily programming during new feature exhibit *Magic Tree House*® (begins September 24)

Mini-Musical: The Golden Spike

Weekdays 11 a.m. and 12 p.m. and weekends 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Written by Marc Farley

Children will time travel back to 1868 Utah with T.J. in order to protect the "Golden Spike," the last piece needed to link together the First Transcontinental Railroad. When trouble strikes and a soon-to-be legendary outlaw steals the spike right before the train is set to depart, T.J. and the audience must try to capture the villain before it's too late!

Story Time

Weekdays at 1 p.m. and weekends at 2 p.m.

- **"How do Dinosaurs Go to School?" by Jane Yolen**

Humans aren't the only ones going back to school this month! Antics are aplenty as everyone's favorite prehistoric pupils head to class.

- **"Chugga Chugga Choo Choo" by Kevin Lewis**

What works from dawn to dusk until it finishes all of the deliveries? Families will follow a hard working steam engine as it carries its freight until the job is done. This special story time also includes illustrations for children to enjoy.

Music & Movement

Weekdays at 2 p.m. and weekends at 3 p.m.

- **Dinosaur Scavenger Hunt and the Dino-Dance!**

Children can join the Imaginators for a big adventure searching for tiny dinosaurs! Once finished, they can learn how to do the Imaginator Dino-Dance!

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Art Studio: Colorful Crafts

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Little ones can discover colors and explore artists from around the world through various fun crafts.

Build It Lab

Weekdays, 10:30 a.m. –3:30 p.m.; Weekends 11 a.m. –4 p.m.

Children will put their woodworking and creative tools to the test in this supervised space where they have access to real tools and materials. Encouraging innovation, young innovators will also be able to work on projects like designing and constructing a model tree house made out of cardboard recycled materials.

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September Special Programming

Meet the Holidays: Eid Al Adha

Saturday, September 3 and Sunday, September 4 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

- **11 a.m. and 1 p.m.: Islamic Speakers Bureau**
Families will learn more about Eid Al Adha, the Muslim festival of sacrifice, during this story time led by the Islamic Speakers' Bureau. Guests will have the opportunity to create crafts with the themes of being thankful and sharing blessings.
- **12 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday: Special Story time**
Families can enjoy a special reading of "Golden Domes and Silver Lanterns: A Muslim Book of Colors by Hena Khan," while learning more about this extraordinary holiday.
- **2 p.m. Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday: Special Music and Movement**
During this song and dance filled celebration, children will learn about dances from the Punjab region of India while listening to traditional Folk music.
- **11 a.m. –4 p.m.: Art Studio Projects**
To celebrate Eid Al Adha, families are invited to create a paper plate angel.

Guest Author & Book Signing: Do You Have the Nerves to Learn About Verbs

Saturday, September 17 at 12 p.m.

By Candace Driver (Artist), Julana Massey (Author)

Author Julana Massey will visit the Museum to sign copies of her new book "Do You Have the Nerves to Learn About Verbs," which details the importance of a verb's job in making strong and correct sentences.

Visiting Performance Piece

Saturday, September 24 at 12 p.m.

Legacy Dance Company, a group of professional dancers from Tucker, Ga., will perform at the Museum.

Return of the Science Wondershop

Sunday, September 4, 11, 18 and 25 at 1:30 and 2:30 p.m.

During the Science Wondershop with Brian “Dr. Science” Williams, children will learn about science via hands-on, interactive activities. There is limited space available for this event; a sign-up sheet will be available on a first come, first serve basis.

For more information on the September program offerings or to support Children's Museum of Atlanta, visit childrensmuseumatlanta.org or call 404.659.KIDS [5437]

About Children’s Museum of Atlanta:

Children’s Museum of Atlanta is the only educational venue of its kind in Atlanta, presenting educational programs and exhibits designed for young children ages 0-8. The Museum’s mission is to spark imagination and inspire discovery and learning for all children through the power of play. With six permanent learning zones consisting of bright, creative and hands-on exhibits, the Museum supports inventive play-based exploration and experiential learning focused on the whole child. Core competencies for literacy, math and science are promoted throughout all exhibits and programming in alignment with the state and national Core Performance Standards. The Children’s Museum of Atlanta also offers parties, memberships, field trips, summer camp and private events. For more information or to support Children's Museum of Atlanta, visit childrensmuseumatlanta.org or call 404.659.KIDS [5437].

Museum Admission: General Admission is \$14.95 (plus tax) for anyone 1 – 100 years old. Babies and members are admitted for free. All daily programs are included in price of admission. Group rates and military discounts are available. For more information regarding ticket and membership options, visit childrensmuseumatlanta.org/plan-your-visit/faqs/.

Museum Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.; Closed on Wednesdays. Please check the Museum website to confirm hours of operation.

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