



Children's Museum of Atlanta

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Children's Museum of Atlanta announces festive February programming

Featured events to combine entertainment and education for area families

ATLANTA (February 6, 2017) – February is finally here, and Children's Museum of Atlanta invites families to enjoy a full month of fun – and educational – programming! Kids can dive into science with the newest feature exhibit "From Here to There," honor African American heritage by participating in Black History month activities, celebrate sweetheart season with Valentine's Day festivities, march to the beat of Mardi Gras in a holiday-themed parade and make magical memories during Fairy Tale Day. With this many interactive offerings on tap, February at the Museum is sure to be extra sweet!

Feature Exhibit: From Here to There

Now through May 29, 2017

How are objects transported across land, sea and air? Families are invited to find out during **Children's Museum of Atlanta's** new feature exhibit "**From Here to There**," parked in Atlanta now through **May 29!** Developed by the Sciencenter in New York, this traveling educational exhibit showcases 12 interactive stations and teaches children about gravity, friction, the laws of motions and more physics-filled fun.

Themed daily programming during From Here to There exhibit will begin in March. Programming subject to change and may be altered during special events. All programs included with admission unless otherwise noted.

Black History Month Programming

Now through Tuesday, February 28

Mini-Musical: Peach State Flyer

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

Children will hop on board the Peach State Flyer steam train to learn about the important contributions African Americans have made to Georgia and the country.

Story Time

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

Join the Imaginators for an engaging story to celebrate African American contributions in science, arts and sports!

Music & Movement

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

- **"This Little Light of Mine" and the Lindy Hop dance!**

Children will learn the classic gospel song and civil rights anthem "This Little Light of Mine" and the popular dance the Lindy Hop, which surged into popularity during the Harlem Renaissance in the 1920s.

Super Spectacular Science Show

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

Professor Lab Coat and his assistants will lead a mesmerizing science demonstration put on for the entire Museum.

Art Studio

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

Families can create clay sculptures inspired by famous artist Elizabeth Catlett, make a pretend X-Ray to honor Dr. William G. Anderson or celebrate musician Richard “Little Richard” Wayne Penniman by making a take-home musical instrument.

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 will learn about African American inventor Alexander Miles and use pulley systems to build their own elevator.

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 and features 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 have their questions turned into answers by one of the STEM educators.

February Special Programming

Valentine’s Day Programming

Sunday, February 12 from 2 p.m. –4:30 p.m.

- **2 p.m.: Special Story Time**
Families can join the Museum for a special presentation of “Pete the Cat: Valentine’s Day is Cool” by James Dean. Guests can follow along with Pete the Cat as he makes groovy Valentine’s Day cards for all the important cats in his life. However, just as he finishes, he realizes he’s forgotten to make a card for a super special cat. What will he do? Guests will soon find out in this family-friendly story time!
- **3 p.m.: Special Music and Movement**
What would Valentine’s Day be without a Valentine’s Day dance? Kids can groove along with the Imaginators during a special 1950s-themed dance.
- **11 a.m. –4 p.m.: Art Studio**
Children will make Valentine’s Day jewels and cards for friends and family to show them how much they are loved.
- **11 a.m. –4 p.m.: Build It Lab**
Families will celebrate the sweetheart season by building a Valentine for someone special.

Fairy Tale Day

Saturday, February 25 from 11 a.m. –4:30 p.m.

- **11 a.m. and 1 p.m.: Atlanta Ballet Fellowship Ensemble**
Families will cheer on the young heroine and her prince as they foil plots of the evil queen during Atlanta Ballet Fellowship Ensemble’s performance excerpts from *Snow White*. This activity is designed for younger audiences under the age of 12.
- **1:30 p.m.: Cinderella Meet and Greet**
- **2 p.m.: Special Music and Movement**
Children will join Cinderella and her prince to learn Mozart’s Minuet.
- **3 p.m.: Special Story Time**
In celebration of Tell a Fairy Tale Day, young visitors can enjoy an interactive telling of “Anansi and The Magic Stick” by Eric A. Kimmel.
- **3:30 p.m.: Cinderella Meet and Greet**

- **11 a.m. –4 p.m.: Art Studio**
Kids will get creative as they make a fairy house or candy house similar to the one Hansel and Gretel saw in the woods.
- **11 a.m. –4 p.m.: Build It Lab**
Families will work together to build a fairy tale castle out of recycled materials.

Mardi Gras Fun!

Tuesday, February 28 from 2 p.m. –3:30 p.m.

- **2 p.m.: Special Music and Movement**
In honor of the special holiday, children can march along in a Mardi Gras parade, while wearing masks created in the Art Studio.
- **11 a.m. –4 p.m.: Art Studio**
Kids will create their own Mardi Gras mask to wear in the Mardi Gras parade.

For more information on the February 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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