

NATIONAL CHILDREN'S museum

The National Children's Museum is scheduled to open at National Harbor, but you can visit us every day at the *Launch Zone* at National Harbor!



Can't make it to the *Launch Zone*? Don't worry! The National Children's Museum is coming into your homes with our blog! With topics ranging from getting ready for kindergarten to vaccination to fun science activities, the Museum is accessible with just the click of a mouse!

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The *Launch Zone* is located at:
112 Waterfront St.
National Harbor, MD 20745



upon opening,
The National Children's
Museum will be:



- A new and different concept—both onsite and online—devoted to inspiring children to care about and improve the world.
- A world-class, experiential Museum featuring fun and engaging exhibits for children ages 6 months to 12 years.
- An interactive, virtual community with games, e-zibits, resources, and safe opportunities to connect children around the world.
- A resource for parents, teachers, and others providing access to up-to-date information and a network of partners and service opportunities.
- A place to learn about and discuss national policy issues that affect the lives of children and families.
- A gateway that provides children with access to opportunities to get involved and make a difference both as individuals and members of their communities

We want to hear from you!
Let us know what you want to see and do at the new National Children's Museum. Visit us at www.ncm.museum to share your feedback and sign up to receive our free e-newsletter.

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JANUARY

Visit us now at many of our upcoming
Museum Without Walls
community events!

Activities in **BLACK** take place at the NCM Launch Zone at National Harbor.

Activities in **BLUE** take place in the community.

JANUARY

01 SUNDAY, ALL DAY New Year's Day

The *Launch Zone* will be closed today. Happy New Year!

03 TUESDAY, 10:30 A.M. - 2:30 P.M. Toddler Tuesdays: Animals in Winter

Where have all of the animals gone? Join us as we discover which animals hibernate and which animals can stand the cold, wintry days with this drop-in program, designed especially for toddlers ages 2 to 4. Activities may include stories, games, art, and movement for children and adults to experience together.

07 SATURDAY, 11 A.M. - 4 P.M. Geology Rocks!

It may be a new year, but it's time to study some really old stuff! Join NCM as we go on a geological expedition right in our *Launch Zone* to learn about everything from rocks to minerals to crystals. Discover how to identify rocks and minerals, how crystals form, and what kinds of minerals exist in your very own home. This day promises to be "bi-o-tite"!



10 TUESDAY, 10:30 A.M. - 2:30 P.M. Toddler Tuesdays: Animals in Winter

See January 3 description.

14 SATURDAY, 11 A.M. - 4 P.M. Martin Luther King Day of Service

In recognition of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the *Launch Zone* is hosting a program honoring his life and accomplishments. Make your own *I Have A Dream...Catcher* and participate in our "Valentines for Veterans" service project in recognition of Dr. King's commitment to service.

16 MONDAY, 11 A.M. - 2 P.M. Martin Luther King Day of Service

See January 14 description.

17 TUESDAY, 10:30 A.M. - 2:30 P.M. Toddler Tuesdays: Animals in Winter

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18 WEDNESDAY, 4 - 6 P.M. Science Project Kick Off at Fairmount Heights

Join folks from the National Children's Museum and get inspired and excited about science! Enjoy an engaging science demonstration and visit multiple stations to participate in interactive activities that explore different areas of science. Check out books about science topics that interest you, and get a head start on your school science project.

The Fairmount Heights branch of the Prince George's County Memorial Library System is located at 5904 Kolb Street, Fairmount Heights, MD 20743.

21 SATURDAY, 11 A.M. - 4 P.M. Rubber Ducky, You're The One!

The *Launch Zone* is hosting a joint birthday party for Ernie and his best pal, Rubber Ducky! Children can take part in "Percussion PLAYtime" to celebrate Ernie's love of playing the drums and make bubble art to celebrate Ernie and Rubber Ducky's favorite pastime. There is no R.S.V.P. required for this party, just drop in for a splash-splashin' good time!

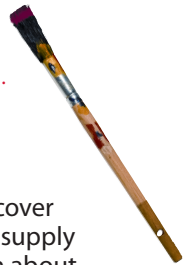
For more information about the National Children's Museum partnership with Sesame Workshop, visit <http://www.ncm.museum/home/news/sesame-street-announcement>

24 TUESDAY, 10:30 A.M. - 2:30 P.M. Toddler Tuesdays: Animals in Winter

See January 3 description.

28 SATURDAY, 11 A.M. - 4 P.M. The Artist In You

Come to the *Launch Zone* to discover your inner-artist, where the only supply you need is your creativity! Learn about artists such as Jackson Pollock, Pablo Picasso, and Alexander Calder and have the chance to create your own artistic masterpieces using marbles, construction paper, and more!



31 TUESDAY, 10:30 A.M. - 2:30 P.M. Toddler Tuesdays: Animals in Winter

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