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**Free Outdoor Bicycle Festival Headlines National Children's Museum June Programming**  
*Museum has served more than 100,000 visitors since December 2012 opening*

**NATIONAL HARBOR, Md. (May 21, 2013)** – The National Children's Museum will partner with MGM Resorts International to host this year's CycleFest, the Museum's signature summer event which celebrates outdoor riding and safe and active play. CycleFest will take place on Saturday, June 22 from 12-4 p.m., directly outside the Museum on American Way. There is no cost of admission to attend the outdoor activities, and children who complete a bicycle safety rodeo will receive a coupon for \$2 off admission to the Museum between 12 and 4 p.m. More information on CycleFest is included in the program listings below.

Unless otherwise specified, all June programs and events will take place at the National Children's Museum at 151 St. George Blvd. at National Harbor in Prince George's County, Md. Tickets to the Museum may be purchased at the NCM box office or online at [www.ncm.museum](http://www.ncm.museum).

**NCM at Beltway BBQ Showdown**  
**Saturday, June 1, 12-6 p.m.**

Representatives from the National Children's Museum will provide hands-on activities and programs at this year's Beltway BBQ Showdown. The National Children's Museum's participation in the Beltway BBQ Showdown is sponsored by a generous gift from MGM Resorts International. The annual event will take place at the Tucker Road Athletic Complex, located at 1770 Tucker Road, Fort Washington, MD 20744.

**NCM at 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Juneteenth Celebration**  
**Saturday, June 15, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.**

The National Children's Museum will join the Prince George's County Department of Parks and Recreation for Juneteenth, the oldest nationally celebrated commemoration of the end of slavery in the United States. NCM representatives will provide families with a variety of interactive activities. The National Children's Museum's participation in Juneteenth is sponsored by a generous gift from MGM Resorts International. This event will take place at Watkins Regional Park, located at 301 Watkins Park Drive, Upper Marlboro, MD 20774.

**Guest Performer: Yasmanth presents Aurora Over the Silk Road**  
**Sunday, June 16, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.**

This captivating performance will take you on a sensory journey through China's ancient Silk Road. Families can explore the Silk Road's cultural diversity with a puppet show, percussion station, and dance performance that highlights the different ethnic groups in Xinjiang, China – the heart of the Silk Road. Each performance will take place in the NCM Theatre.

**Father's Day Card Workshop**  
**Sunday, June 16, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.**

Celebrate the special fathers in your life by making a homemade card at the What We Create table, located in the World Cultures gallery near the entrance to the NCM Theater.

**Free Family Night sponsored by GEICO****Thursday, June 20, 5-8 p.m.**

Enjoy free admission to the museum as well as hands-on activities and interactive play in the NCM Theatre and exhibit areas. June's Free Family Night will include *Professor Bodywise's Travelling Menagerie*, a special production from Kaiser Permanente's Educational Theatre Program. The show helps families learn easy ways to lead an active and healthy lifestyle.

**Guest Author: Pat the Play Lady****Saturday, June 22, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.**

Celebrate the importance of play with Pat Rumbaugh, otherwise known as Pat the Play Lady. In this special interactive storytime, Pat will read her new book, *Let's Play at the Playground*, and then lead children in a session of Imagination Playground™, the Museum's mobile play system made up of different blocks in a variety of shapes and sizes. This performance will take place in the NCM Theatre.

**CycleFest 2013****Saturday, June 22, 12-4 p.m.**

The National Children's Museum and MGM Resorts International present the fourth annual CycleFest, an NCM signature event that offers family-friendly activities inspiring children to gear up for a safe and active summer of outdoor riding. This block party-style event will include bicycle rodeos, safety gear sizing and giveaways, bicycle maintenance workshops, arts and crafts, raffles, live entertainment and much more. The event is free, and children who complete the bicycle rodeo will receive a coupon for \$2 off admission to the Museum between 12 and 4 p.m.

CycleFest will take place directly outside the Museum on American Way (between St. George Boulevard and Fleet Street). Visitors are encouraged to bring their own bicycles or tricycles and ride to National Harbor via the Woodrow Wilson Bridge Trail. Visitors driving to the Museum are encouraged to take National Harbor Boulevard up to St. George Boulevard rather than Waterfront Street to avoid congestion.

**Guest Performer: The Lab DC****Saturday, June 22, 2 p.m.**

Local breakdancing group, The Lab DC, will return to the National Children's Museum to host one of their extremely popular breakdancing workshops. Children will learn basic movements, coordination and rhythm in a fun and interactive format. This performance will take place in the NCM Theatre.

**NCM Theatre Premiere: Princess Sunny's Birthday****Saturday, June 22, 3 p.m.**

The National Children's Museum will introduce a revival of last summer's original production, *Princess Sunny's Birthday*. Visitors will join Princess Sunny on her journey to become queen, all while learning how to play safely in the sun all summer long. This performance will take place in the NCM Theatre.

**Hours and Admission**

The museum is open seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will offer extended hours (10 a.m. to 8 p.m.) every Friday in June. Additional summer hours may be announced at a later date.

Standard admission is \$10 per child or adult and \$8 for seniors ages 65 and up. There is no cost of admission for infants 12 months or younger. The museum also offers discounts for senior citizens, AAA members and active duty military families.

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**About National Children's Museum**

The National Children's Museum (NCM) is a world-class cultural and educational center ([www.ncm.museum](http://www.ncm.museum)) that inspires children to care about and improve the world. NCM opened in Dec. 2012 at National Harbor in Prince George's County, Md. After operating as a "museum without walls" for several years, the Museum is now Greater Washington's premier family attraction and the only national museum dedicated especially to children and their families and caregivers. NCM was designated by Congress in 2003 and was founded in 1974 as the Capital Children's Museum.

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