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The Town of Normal Children's Discovery Museum has hosted over 1.4 million visitors since its 2004 opening in Uptown Normal. A premier Central Illinois destination for families and educators, the Museum offers innovative educational field trips and unique family entertainment. Three floors of fun hands-on exhibits include a paint wall, science challenge and climbing area designed just for kids. The Discover More! Store lets you take home a reminder of your visit!

## MUSEUM SUMMER HOURS:

June 1-August 31, 2017

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday:** 9:00am-5:00pm

**Thursday:** 9:00am-8:00pm

**Friday, Saturday:** 9:00am-5:00pm

**Sunday:** 1:00-5:00pm

## SPECIAL HOURS:

**Tuesday, July 4:** Closed

## ADMISSION

\$7 per person

FREE under 2 years

FREE - Members

## WEBSITE & FACEBOOK

For more information about the CDM, visit our website, [www.ChildrensDiscoveryMuseum.net](http://www.ChildrensDiscoveryMuseum.net) or search Children's Discovery Museum, Normal, IL on Facebook!



## MEMBERSHIP TO THE DISCOVERY MUSEUM

### Basic Membership Pass - \$95

- Unlimited admission\* for two adults and their children from one household for family visits to the Museum for one full year.
- 10% off Museum Store purchases
- Discounts on class and program registration fees
- Discounts on party package prices

### Family Membership Pass - \$130

- Includes Basic Membership Benefits:
- Free or 1/2 price admission to hundreds of participating reciprocal museums – includes both Association of Children's Museums and Association of Science and Technology Museums.
- One free guest with every visit to CDM.

### Grandparent's Membership - \$125

- Unlimited admission\* for grandparents and their grandchildren for family visits to the Museum for one year from date of purchase.
- All other benefits as listed above for the Plus Membership.

**\*Memberships are not valid for group or birthday party admission.**

## BIRTHDAY PARTIES ARE A BLAST AT THE CDM!

Birthday celebrations are a blast (and so easy!) at the Children's Discovery Museum. Our parties include:

### Birthday Blast \$175 (\$155 Museum-Member Cost)

- Museum admission for up to 20 people
- Private party room for 90 minutes
- Make a hand-print poster – a keepsake for your birthday child
- Gift for the birthday child
- Birthday Buddy to make your party FUN and EASY!
- Additional guests: \$7 per person. Additional Birthday Child \$15. Maximum party size: 32

A \$50 non-refundable deposit is due at time of reservation.

### Additional Party Makers:

- Face Painting: Contact the Zoo Lady and her Zoo Crew directly for scheduling and availability  
E-mail: [callzoocrew@yahoo.com](mailto:callzoocrew@yahoo.com)  
or by phone: 309-532-1642

For more info, visit [ChildrensDiscoveryMuseum.net](http://ChildrensDiscoveryMuseum.net). To reserve your party, call (309) 433-3454.

*Prices subject to change*

# EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

Registration is required at least one week in advance for all museum classes. Payment must accompany registration. Cancellation must be received at least three business days prior to the start of the program to receive household credit. See new Museum program policies at <http://www.ChildrensDiscoveryMuseum.net/188/Policies>

## LOVE AND LEARN

Love and Learn is designed for children three to twelve months and their parent/caregiver. Create a special bond with your child while experiencing types of play to promote learning and brain development. Each session includes; instructor led activities such as songs, quick stories, and finger plays plus free exploration time with a variety of activity stations such as tunnels, musical instruments, and soft blocks. MIN/MAX: 5/15

*Ages: 3-12 months*

**Class Time:** 9:30-10:15am

**Cost:** \$6 members  
\$11 non-members  
\$5 additional adults

**Class Dates:**

Wednesday, June 28: Little Critters  
Wednesday, August 9: Under the Sea

**Activity #** 906220-01

**Activity #** 908220-01

## PLAYFUL LEARNERS

Playful Learners is designed specifically for you and your child to learn and play together. Play is the work of a child, and when children play they are developing problem-solving, communication, and social emotional skills vital to their future.

Each one-hour class is designed around a monthly theme and includes instructor led circle time with literacy, music and movement, and self-guided activity centers. Centers are created to promote fine and gross motor skills developed through art, music and dramatic play; math concepts are explored through matching and sorting. **MIN/MAX:** 5/15

**Cost: Playful Learners Level I:** (12-24 months)  
\$7 members / \$12 non-members

**Playful Learners Level II:** (24-36 months)  
\$8 members / \$13 non-members

**Playful Learners Level III:** (3-4 year olds)  
\$9 members / \$14 non-members

**Additional Adults \$5**

### JUNE: CATERPILLARS AND BUTTERFLIES

*Level I: (12-24 months)*

Date	Time	Activity #
Thursday, June 1	6-7pm	906000-01
Friday, June 2	9-10am	906000-02

*Level II: (24-36 months)*

Date	Time	Activity #
Thursday, June 15	6-7pm	906100-01
Friday, June 16	9-10am	906100-02

*Level III: (3-4 years)*

Date	Time	Activity #
Thursday, June 22	6-7pm	906200-01
Friday, June 23	9-10am	906200-02

### JULY: ICE CREAM!

*Level I: (12-24 months)*

Date	Time	Activity #
Thursday, July 6	6-7pm	907000-01
Friday, July 7	9-10am	907000-02

*Level II: (24-36 months)*

Date	Time	Activity #
Thursday, July 13	6-7pm	907100-01
Friday, July 14	9-10am	907100-02

*Level III: (3-4 years)*

Date	Time	Activity #
Thursday, July 20	6-7pm	907200-01
Friday, July 21	9-10am	907200-02

### AUGUST: PETS

*Level I: (12-24 months)*

Date	Time	Activity #
Thursday, August 3	6-7pm	908000-01
Friday, August 4	9-10am	908000-02

*Level II: (24-36 months)*

Date	Time	Activity #
Thursday, August 10	6-7pm	908100-01
Friday, August 11	9-10am	908100-02

*Level III: (3-4 years)*

Date	Time	Activity #
Thursday, August 24	6-7pm	908200-01
Friday, August 25	9-10am	908200-02

## EARLY EXPLORERS

Early Explorers is designed to create independence and is our youngest drop-off program. Each 90-minute program is designed around a monthly them with free exploration center time where children can play and interact with their peers, circle time with music and literacy and structured hands-on STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math) activities. MIN/MAX: 5/15  
*Ages 4-5 year olds*

**Cost:** \$10 members  
\$15 non-members

### SATURDAY, JUNE 17: INSECTS

**Time:** 10-11:30am  
**Activity #** 906202-01

### SATURDAY, JULY 15: SAND ART

**Time:** 10-11:30am  
**Activity #** 907202-01

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 19: SENSORY ART

**Time:** 10-11:30am  
**Activity #** 908202-01



# FANTASTIC fRiDaYs!



10am-Noon

Join CDM staff for EXTRA FUN family activities on select Fridays this summer!

**June 30:** Summer Kick-off

**July 21:** Tie Dye Day

**August 11:** Hawaiian Luau

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## PRE-SCHOOL CAMPS

Age: 4-5 years

Time: 9:30am – 11:30am

Cost: \$30 members/\$35 non-members

Preschool camps are themed around a topic and include music and movement activities and play centers such as blocks, play dough, art, puppets, and dramatic play.

### BACKYARD EXPLORERS

Monday, June 26 & Tuesday, June 27

Activity # 906434-01

Learn about things that live in our backyards! We will get our hands dirty while constructing and planting miniature fairy or gnome gardens. Plus, build and decorate a simple tin can bird feeder.

### RESCUE HEROES

Monday, July 17 & Tuesday, July 18

Activity # 907434-01

Join us as we read *Paw Patrol-Pups to the Rescue* and *Paw Patrol-Ice Team* and then test your skills to complete rescue challenges just like the pups and learn about community helpers!

### DINOSAURS

Monday, August 7 & Tuesday, August 8

Activity # 908434-01

Discover what it's like to be a paleontologist. Learn about dinosaurs and paleontology through a simulated dinosaur dig and other hands-on experiences.

## KINDER CAMPS

Ages: Entering Kindergarten (5-6 years)

Time: 9:00am – 12:00pm

Cost: \$75 members/\$85 non-members

Kinder Camps are themed around a topic and include hands-on activities, music, and movement and play centers such as blocks, play dough, art, puppets, and dramatic play.

### CURIOUS ABOUT SCIENCE

Monday, June 5 through Friday, June 9

Activity # 906432-01

It's time to get curious! Each day will start with a *Curious George Discovers* story, followed by hands-on activities related to the theme of the day. Topics will include: color and light, plants, the five senses, space, and recycling.

### FUN WITH FOOD

Monday, July 24 through Friday, July 28

Activity # 907432-04

Additional Materials Fee: \$10

Does your child like to help in the kitchen? Learn how to make simple recipes, create artwork, and use food in science experimentation. Recipes include: ice cream in a bag, design your own trail mix, and mini pudding pies.

Camp Registration  
begins Monday, April 10



## CAMP DISCOVERY

Cost includes camp, snack and materials. Payment must accompany registration. Registration deadline 1-week prior to camp. Camps fill quickly so register early. 72-hour cancellation required for credit. Bring a packed lunch or pre-order an Avanti's lunch for \$5.

### KIDS CAN CREATE!

Discover the magic of making! Kids will fire up their imaginations as they use physics, circuitry and basic construction to build and create projects while learning basic tool use. A Maker Camp partnership!

*Grades: entering 1st-5th*

**Time:** 8:30am-4:30pm

**Dates:** Monday, June 12 through Friday, June 16

**1st-2nd-Activity #** 906432-02

**3rd-5th-Activity #** 906432-03

**Cost:** \$160 museum members/\$180 non-members

(includes \$20 material fee)

### THEATER CAMP: CIRCUS

It's time to run away with the Circus! We will recreate a classic circus experience and showcase our talents in a "big top" performance on Thursday night at the Normal Theatre! Using dance, theatre, and voice talents, you will choose which circus performer best fits your skills. Participants will develop sewing skills for our costumes, art skills for our circus carnival sets, acting techniques for our performance, clowning skills, and face painting. The week will include a field trip to the ISU's theatre and Milner Library to see their Circus Special Collections.

*Grades: entering 2nd-6th*

**Time:** 8:30am-4:30pm

**Dates:** Monday, June 19 through Friday, June 23

**Activity #** 906431-01

**Cost:** \$140 museum members/\$160 non-members

### HARRY POTTER CAMP

Journey back to Hogwarts and step into the wizarding world of magic! Join us for lessons in potions, herbology, divination and more. Create wizard wear and earn points to win the house cup.

*Grades: entering 1st-5th*

**Time:** 8:30am-noon

**Dates:** Monday, July 10 through Friday, July 14

**1st-2nd-Activity #** 907432-01

**3rd-5th-Activity #** 907432-02

**Cost:** \$75 museum members/\$85 non-members

### STAR WARS CAMP

A long time ago, in a galaxy far, far away...campers visit the Star Wars universe and pick your side – Sith Master or Jedi Knight? Learn the mysterious ways of the force, become highly trained in the use of light sabers and more!

*Grades: entering 1st-5th*

**Time:** 1pm-4:30pm

**Dates:** Monday, July 10 through Friday, July 14

**1st-2nd-Activity #** 907432-03

**3rd-5th-Activity #** 907432-04

**Cost:** \$75 museum members/\$85 non-members

### HARRY POTTER/ STAR WARS ALL DAY COMBO

*Grades: entering 1st-5th*

**Time:** 8:30am-4:30pm

**Dates:** Monday, July 10 through Friday, July 14

**Activity #** 907432-05

**Cost:** \$140 museum members/\$160 non-members

### WEATHER: A FORCE OF NATURE

Become a meteorologist as we use hands-on activities to predict the weather. Discover how tornadoes, thunderstorms and clouds are formed. Make your own weather instruments to measure humidity, barometric pressure and more. Plus, enjoy visits to the National Weather Service office in Lincoln and The Science Storms exhibit at Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago. This program is a partnership with ISU Physics Department and will be hosted at Moulton Hall.

*Grades: entering 3rd-6th*

**Time:** 9:00am-Noon or 1:00pm-4:00pm

**Dates:** Monday, July 24 through Friday, July 28

**Activity #** 907432-05

**Activity #** 907432-06

**Cost:** \$100 museum members/\$110 non-members (includes \$25 field trip fee)

### STEAM WITH CEMAST

Join staff from ISU's Center for Math, Science and Technology (CeMaST) for a week filled with amazing activities to spark your imagination and curiosity. Use STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math) to design and create your own projects.

*Grades: entering 2nd-6th*

**Time:** 8:30am-4:30pm

**Dates:** Monday July 31 through Friday, August 4

**Activity #** 908431-01

**Cost:** \$160 museum members/\$180 non-members

**Camp Registration  
begins Monday, April 10**

## ART STUDIO

The Art Studio follows a TAB (Teaching for Artistic Behavior) model. This choice-based, self-guided art education approach offers five individual, hands-on art centers from which to explore. Each of these centers follows a monthly theme with implementation of STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math). All ages are welcome!

Join us on select Saturdays from 10:00am-1:00pm for FREE programming. Activities will focus on a specific media process, art movement/artist, or STEAM topic.

### JUNE: ANIMALS

#### Saturday, June 3rd: Swedish Dala Horses.

Learn the importance of the horse through history and across cultures, particularly in Sweden, then paint your own charming work of art using watercolor paint!

#### Saturday, June 17th: Painting Animals with Franz Marc.

Paint a boldly, colored modern work of art in the style of artist Franz Marc!

### JULY: LIGHT

#### Saturday, July 1st: Daylight Design.

With help from the mighty sun, watch your image unfold using a treated surface and found objects!

#### Saturday, July 15th: Morphed Drawings.

Observe how light refraction affects your drawings.

### AUGUST: THE MASTERS

#### Saturday, August 12th: Dots!

Explore the great artists who took impressionism to new heights while discovering tools and techniques to create your own art made entirely of dots!

#### Saturday, August 26th: Painting with Texture and Emotion.

Experiment in the style of Vincent Van Gogh as you find ways to express yourself with paint color and texture.



## INNOVATION STATION: LAB AND MAKER SPACE

The Innovation Station is a platform to engage children and families in STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and math) through innovative, hands-on learning experiences. The station is a space where kids create, discover, investigate and invent. Bring the whole family to the station for a chance to apply problem-solving skills, test and revise ideas, collaborate, and have fun while learning and celebrating various topics. These programs are free with paid museum admission.

Open Thursday-Saturday, 10am-1pm  
and Sunday 2pm-4pm

## SUMMER YOUTH VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

The Museum is looking for energetic and outgoing teens (ages 13-17). Youth Volunteers will spend their summer break assisting families as they explore the museum, leading free floor programming, helping with special events all while gaining valuable job skills. All volunteers must attend a 90 minute volunteer orientation. Only 50 youth will be enrolled in this year's program.

### Youth Volunteer Orientations:

#### Wednesday, May 31st

10:00am-11:30am

#### Thursday, June 1st

10:00am-11:30am

12:30pm-2:00pm

3:30pm-5:00pm

#### Friday, June 2nd

4:00pm-5:30pm

Space is limited and pre-registration is required. Visit [www.ChildrensDiscoveryMuseum.net](http://www.ChildrensDiscoveryMuseum.net), Support CDM, Volunteers and fill out our Volunteer Profile to pre-register and select your Volunteer Orientation date and time. If you have questions contact Amy Pitzer at (309) 433-3448 or [apitzer@normal.org](mailto:apitzer@normal.org).





# Who knew something to do ALL YEAR could fit in your hand?

## PURCHASE A MUSEUM MEMBERSHIP TODAY!

A membership to the Children's Discovery Museum makes a wonderful gift! Enjoy countless opportunities to visit the Museum free; take advantage of discounts on programs, camps, and birthday parties; and receive free or reduced admission to other museums and science centers when you purchase a Plus or Grandparent Membership.

**To purchase a membership, stop in to the Museum or call Shelly at (309) 433-3453.**

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# Party Power!

**At the Children's Discovery Museum, we know that parties are a big deal!**

There's no better way to make the day special than by hosting a party with us. Your guests will have a great time. And, since the Museum provides all the fun, you'll have a great time too!

**From birthday celebrations to corporate rentals, we have options to fit every need. Call Chris at (309) 433-3454 to schedule your birthday party today. Interested in renting a classroom or the entire Museum? Call Clare at (309) 433-3455.**

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