



# Mississippi Children's Museum- Meridian Celebrates Dr. Seuss' Silly Birthday

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## MISSISSIPPI CHILDREN'S MUSEUM- MERIDIAN

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Mississippi Children's Museum-Meridian hosts Dr. Seuss' Silly Birthday Celebration *The Mississippi Children's Museum-Meridian provides children an opportunity to experience characters from some of Dr. Seuss' most-beloved books.*

Meridian, Miss. (February 19, 2018) – Join Mississippi Children's Museum-Meridian (MCM-Meridian) on Saturday, March 3 from 10:00 a.m. – noon at Dumont Plaza in downtown Meridian on the corner of 5<sup>th</sup> Street and 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue for *Dr. Seuss' Silly Birthday Celebration!* This is East Mississippi's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual celebration and is anticipated to draw hundreds of children and families for a dynamic, multisensory experience in Seuss' literary world. This event is made possible with the help of MCM-Meridian Partners and the Junior Auxiliary of Meridian.

MCM-Meridian encourages visitors to be inspired in the kitchen and learn how to make green eggs and ham. Touch and explore the science of Bartholemu's oobleck with our own real scientists. Create their own great mustache inspired by the Lorax and more crafts with frills and other recycled products. And top it all off with a Dr. Seuss Zimbaphone-inspired concert performed by MPSD! It's sure to get the feet moving! We'll also have readings from Mayor Bland and "Da Story Weaver," Terrance Roberts!

"You can't help but have fun learning when exploring the world of Dr. Seuss. He inspires us to think outside the box, to color outside the lines, to create the unimagined," said MCM-Meridian Partner's President, Beth Whitehead. "MCM-Meridian Partners is excited to bring the pages to life for the children and families of our community. This is just a small peak into the imaginative world that awaits when we open our own doors on 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave."

This event is free to the public. In case of inclement weather, the event will be moved to the First Baptist Church Meridian gym located at 701 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Meridian.

### **About the Mississippi Children's Museum**

The Mississippi Children's Museum (MCM) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to fostering in its visitors a passion for lifelong learning, improving the health and well-being of Mississippi children, and instilling a sense of state pride in all Mississippi residents. The mission of MCM is to provide unparalleled experiences that ignite a thirst for discovery, knowledge and learning in all children. The goal of MCM is to inspire Mississippi's children from all backgrounds to discover and achieve their potential. The 40,000-square foot museum is designed around five primary initiatives, with correlating exhibits, programs and outreach efforts. These initiatives include: Literacy, STEM, Health and Nutrition, Cultural Arts and Mississippi Heritage—the keys to helping our children mature into healthy and productive adult learners. Museum exhibits provide engaging, explorative, hands-on educational activities for children of all ages. To learn more about MCM visit [www.mschildrensmuseum.org](http://www.mschildrensmuseum.org).

### **About the Mississippi Children's Museum-Meridian**

The Mississippi Children's Museum-Meridian (MCM-Meridian) is the East Mississippi satellite campus of the statewide Mississippi Children's Museum (MCM)—a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that provides unparalleled experiences that ignite a thirst for discovery, knowledge, and learning in all children. Currently MCM-Meridian is in a \$13.5 million capital campaign to open a 20,000-square foot facility with exhibit space designed around three primary initiatives: Literacy and Arts; STEM; and Health and Nutrition with Cultural Arts and Mississippi History woven throughout all three galleries. The museum's exhibits, programs, and outreach opportunities will provide engaging, explorative, hands-on educational activities for children of all ages. MCM-Meridian is a strategic part of the statewide Mississippi Children's Museum which is dedicated to inspiring ALL of Mississippi's children from ALL backgrounds to discover and achieve their potential. To learn more about MCM-Meridian visit [www.mschildrensmuseum.org/meridian](http://www.mschildrensmuseum.org/meridian).

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