



# The Mississippi Children's Museum – Meridian Honors Donors During Inaugural Spark Society Celebration

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## MISSISSIPPI CHILDREN'S MUSEUM - MERIDIAN

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Meridian, Miss. (February 20, 2023) – The Mississippi Children's Museum – Meridian (MCM-Meridian) is honoring its donors during its inaugural **Spark Society Celebration** on Thursday, February 23rd from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM.

The mission of MCM-Meridian is to create unparalleled experiences that inspire excellence and a lifelong joy of learning. The Spark Society Celebration honors generous donors who have given \$1,000 or more to support this mission.

As a nonprofit organization, MCM-Meridian relies on community support to provide children with innovative learning experiences that tap their curiosity and creativity, reach diverse populations throughout the state, and develop partnerships that empower children and those who care for them.

During this business casual event, MCM-Meridian will celebrate those who have given generously to the museum and reflect on a year of accomplishments made possible through their support. Sweet and savory bites and libations will be served by restaurant partners, celebratory activities playing to this year's theme of "Sparking Imaginations" will take place, and a few words will be shared by MCM leadership.

"The staff of MCM-Meridian have the privilege of daily doing the important, hard, and fun work of impacting children, families, and educators and helping them along in their journey to discover and achieve their potential," said Executive Director, Barbara Zeller. "This amazing facility, the educational programming, community outreach efforts ...none of it would be possible without the 'spark' that our initial donors kindled. Entering year three of operations, we are warmed and comforted by their ongoing support, and we look forward to a bright future. The Spark Society celebration is going to be a fun night to thank and honor them!"

Special thanks to Aie’s Taste of Thai, The Island 601, Deep South Sweets, Cater’s Market, Amore Italian Ristorante & Bar, Clean Plate, Charcuterie Chick, The Rustler, PJs Coffee, Margie’s Mixing Bowl, Threefoot Blooms, Honeysuckles Floral Boutique, and Tate’s Fireworks for partnering with us on this special occasion.

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 creates unparalleled experiences to inspire excellence and a lifelong joy of learning. MCM-Meridian is a 25,000-square-foot facility with exhibit space designed around three primary initiatives: Literacy, STEAM, Health and Nutrition, Cultural Arts, and Mississippi History woven throughout all galleries. Outdoors is a 25,000-square-foot exhibit gallery that allows children a safe and magical space to explore and enrich the learning experience. The museum’s exhibits, programs, and outreach opportunities 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.mcmmeridian.org](http://www.mcmmeridian.org).

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