



MISSISSIPPI CHILDREN'S MUSEUM - MERIDIAN

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Mingle at the Museum is Back at the Mississippi Children's Museum – Meridian!

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Step right up for *Mingle at the Museum*, a signature fundraiser of the Mississippi Children's Museum – Meridian!

Meridian, Miss. (June 13, 2023) – On Thursday, June 29th, from 6 pm – 9 pm, the Mississippi Children's Museum – Meridian (MCM-Meridian) will host its signature summer fundraising event, *Mingle at the Museum*.

Mingle at the Museum features a fun and casual carnival theme each year, giving adults 21 and up a chance to embrace their inner child. On June 29, 2023, this night will feature live music by DC & The Queen City Allstars, various food truck vendors, carnival games indoors and out, a 360 photobooth, and much more.

Guests will have a fun-filled evening with unique opportunities to win prizes through a 50/50 raffle and gift card fortune wall. In addition to free carnival games, there will be new pay-to-play games for added entertainment.

Event tickets are \$25 per person and include one food truck ticket and two drink tickets. Additional food and drink tickets will be available for purchase at the event.

Mingle at the Museum is organized by MCM-Meridian Partners, a designated volunteer organization for the museum. Proceeds raised through this event help underwrite the mission and vision of the MCM-Meridian and keep the cost of general admission at an accessible rate of \$10 per person or \$5 per person for field trip groups.

This event is presented by Citizens National Bank and sponsored by Magnolia Beverage Company.

To learn more about *Mingle at the Museum* and to purchase tickets online, visit www.mcmmeridian.org. All guests must be 21 and over to enter.

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 five 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, hands-on 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.

About the Mississippi Children's Museum

The Mississippi Children's Museum (MCM) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization with a mission of creating unparalleled experiences to inspire excellence and a lifelong joy of learning in all children. The 40,000-square foot museum is designed around five primary initiatives, with correlating exhibits, programs, and outreach efforts. These initiatives include: Literacy, STEAM, Health and Nutrition, Cultural Arts, and Mississippi Heritage – the keys to helping our children mature into healthy and productive adult learners. In response to community needs due to the COVID-19 pandemic, MCM shifted operating and programming priorities to best serve Mississippi's children and combat learning loss through facilitating virtual schooling and creating online educational enrichment – services that continue today through a robust, daily afterschool program and an online platform for teacher professional development.

In 2021, MCM celebrated a monumental year by receiving an Institute of Museum and Library Services National Medal, the nation's highest honor for museums, and through opening its first satellite museum, MCM-Meridian, which received the 2021 Governor's Award for Travel Attraction of the Year.

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