



MISSISSIPPI CHILDREN'S MUSEUM - MERIDIAN

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Join the Mississippi Children's Museum – Meridian for a Magical Celebration of Harry Potter's Birthday!

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Meridian, Miss. (July 13, 2023) – Join the Mississippi Children's Museum – Meridian (MCM – Meridian) to celebrate Harry Potter's Birthday on Saturday, July 29, from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

J.K. Rowling has inspired millions of young readers with series character, Harry Potter. On July 29, MCM-Meridian will invite fans of the series to a magical family celebration consisting of potions classes and Harry Potter crafts galore!

Children and adults will be immersed into the literary, wizarding world of Harry Potter through a variety of self-guided and instructor-led activities at the museum.

- Create Harry Potter bookmarks
- Design a pair of Luna Lovegood glasses
- Learn about constellations in astronomy class
- Mix Felix Felicis in potions class
- Make snack bites in herbology class
- Practice yoga in Defense Against the Dark Arts class
- Go on a Horcrux scavenger hunt

Costumes are encouraged! All activities are included in general admission (\$10/person) and museum membership. Tickets can be purchased online or at the door. All children must be accompanied by an adult. To learn more, visit www.mcmmeridian.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 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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