



# Harry Potter's Birthday at the Mississippi Children's Museum Promises to be Magical!

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## MISSISSIPPI CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

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**Jackson, Miss.** – Join the Mississippi Children's Museum (MCM) as we celebrate Harry Potter Day on Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

This year for Harry Potter's birthday, we are preparing you to go back to school – Hogwarts style! Start your journey by conducting a science experiment that will sort you into your Hogwarts house, then step inside the atrium to take a Back-to-School photo with our magical invisibility cloak.

Every new Hogwarts student needs a wand before attending classes, so make sure to stop by Ollivander's Wand shop where you will use the magic of circuitry to create a wand that really casts Lumos! We have several classes for you to try, including Herbology, where you will learn how to care for a plant that you can take home; Astronomy, where you will use our 3D pens to learn about the stars and planets; and Potions, where you will create your own slimy concoction. Each class gives you the opportunity to represent your House, with the House Cup winner announced on social media after the event ends.

Watch out – Voldemort has hidden his Horcruxes around the museum. If you are brave enough to find them all, you can choose a special Harry Potter themed sticker to display for your service as an Auror. Before you leave the museum, make sure to stop by Flourish and Blotts, where each child will take home a book (while supplies last), courtesy of our MCM Partners.

Costumes are encouraged. All adults must be accompanied by a child, and vice versa.

Activities are included with \$10 general admission and free with museum membership. For more information visit: [www.mschildrensmuseum.org](http://www.mschildrensmuseum.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. MCM's two award-winning museums in Jackson and Meridian collectively offer over 100,000-square feet of exhibits and educational programming designed around five primary initiatives, Literacy, STEAM, Health and Nutrition, Cultural Arts, and Mississippi Heritage – the keys to helping our children mature into healthy and productive adult learners. MCM offers exceptional resources for children, families, and educators through MCM at Home virtual programming, traveling exhibits and programs, community outreach, *Launch into Learning* afterschool program, professional development for educators, and *Talk from the Start*, an initiative for parents and caregivers to promote language development in children from birth to five years old.

MCM is honored to have received an Institute of Museum and Library Services National Medal, the Mississippi Tourism Association Governor's Award for Travel Attraction of the Year, and USA Today's '10Best Travel Award for Best Children's Museum. To learn more about MCM visit [www.mschildrensmuseum.org](http://www.mschildrensmuseum.org).

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