



MISSISSIPPI CHILDREN'S MUSEUM - MERIDIAN

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The Mississippi Children's Museum - Meridian is Kicking Off the Holidays During *Merry at the Museum Fundraiser*

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Journey into a nostalgic night of holiday magic at the Mississippi Children's Museum - Meridian's inaugural Merry at the Museum event.

Meridian, Miss. (November 13, 2023) – The Mississippi Children's Museum – Meridian (MCM-Meridian) is sparking the holiday spirit during its first-ever *Merry at the Museum* fundraising event on Dec. 9 from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Merry at the Museum is a new signature event taking the place of *Midnight at the Museum*, the museum's former New Year's Eve celebration. Hosted by MCM-Meridian Partners, a group of volunteers and donors who champion the mission of the museum, this event will offer guests 21 and older an entertaining kick-off to the holidays while supporting MCM-Meridian.

The event promises an evening of festivity and joy, with live music, delicious food, cocktails, and enchanting performances as the night unfolds. Guests are encouraged to dress in cocktail attire and make the most of this unforgettable celebration. And in the spirit of giving, guests can bid on a wide selection of silent auction items featuring incredible artworks, unique getaways, luxury items, and more to gift or keep this holiday season. Bidding will take place online, enabling anyone who wants to support the museum in this way to participate.

All proceeds from *Merry at the Museum* directly support MCM-Meridian in its mission to create unparalleled experiences that inspire excellence and a lifelong joy of learning in children of all backgrounds. As the museum's most significant fundraising event of the year, it provides crucial funding for ongoing operational and educational programming needs of the museum.

All-inclusive tickets are \$150 per person and feature exquisite hearty bites, an open bar, and entertainment. Guests must be 21 and over to attend. Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased online at www.mcmmeridian.org.

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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 and Arts; STEAM; and Health and Nutrition with 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.

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