



# The Mississippi Children's Museum Welcomes Authors, Illustrators, and Performers to *Storytelling Festival*

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## MISSISSIPPI CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

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(Jackson, MS) -- Traditions are passed down through generations with stories, songs, and activities. Bring your children to the Mississippi Children's Museum to experience the fun of storytelling together on January 13 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

On this special day, join us as we celebrate Mississippi's finest storytellers from our past and listen to those with us now. This event is an artistic, literary adventure celebrating the art of storytelling in many forms with special guests, performances, and workshops. Storytelling can be told through a multitude of ways such as writing and illustrating books, acting, singing, dancing, visual arts, photography, and much more.

Activities will include:

- Antoinette Badenhorst: Sculpture; Aesop Fables
- Jerry Jenkins: West African Drums
- Sarah Frances Hardy: Author and Illustrator
- Marshall Ramsey: Cartoonist, Writer, and Speaker
- Chuck Gale: Artist and Illustrator
- Shannon Williford: Blues Harmonica Workshop
- Dr. Wilma Mosley: Documentary Workshop

This event is included with \$10 general admission and free with museum membership. MCM will be open on Monday, January 15 for a Magic Monday! Visit [www.mschildrensmuseum.org](http://www.mschildrensmuseum.org) for more information.

Special thank you to the Mississippi Book Festival for their support of MCM's Storytelling Festival.

### **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 The LIFT, traveling exhibits and programs, community outreach, *Launch into Learning* afterschool program, professional development for educators, and innovative literacy and language development programs: *Talk from the Start and Reach Out and Read*. 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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