

FALL 2025

Your *link* to Omaha Children's Museum

CONNECT

WILD FOR
NATURE

MY WILD
BACKYARD
OPEN NOW

NO TRICKS
ONLY TREATS

COBWEB CASTLE
OPENING THIS
OCTOBER

GO WILD
FOR NATURE

OMAHA
children's
MUSEUM



Family Fun Weekends

Want that added nudge of something special in addition to your typical day of fun at the museum? Then be sure to come to our Family Fun Weekends! We host different themed events consisting of themed science shows, educational learning activities, character appearances, vendors and much more! Sponsored by Runza and Oriental Trading Company.

Fairytale Ball

Friday, July 18 - Sunday, July 20

The Back to School Weekend-inator

Friday, Aug. 1 - Sunday, Aug. 3

Super Weekend

Friday, Nov. 14 - Sunday, Nov.16

Bubbly New Year's Eve

December 31

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My Wild Backyard

Exhibit closing April 2026

Explore the fun of nature that happens in your very own backyard as you engage in this new exhibit about the four seasons. Learn about the different animals you might find and how they make your backyard their home!



Argentina's Niños

Exhibit closes August 31

Argentina's Niños inspires visitors to compare the similarities and differences between their lives and those of children in the second largest country in South America. Families will feel like they have traveled to Argentina as they explore five immersive environments, learning about the traditions and lifestyles of Argentine children.



Cobweb Castle

Exhibit opens September 27

Guest favorite, Cobweb Castle, returns September 27th-October 31st. Join us for daily programs as we learn all about spiders and their awesome secrets! Find out how spiders help humans, how incredibly strong (and beautiful) their webs are, and why we should be nice to these spindly creatures.



Santa's Magic

Exhibit opens November 1

The big man himself returns! Santa Claus will make his arrival to the Omaha Children's Museum to kick off the start of our Santa's Magic live show, featuring beloved characters such as Santa's Elves, and Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer. You won't want to miss it!

DAILY PROGRAMMING



JUNE - DECEMBER, 2025

TUES
through
FRI

MORNING
S.T.E.A.M. Power

Science Shows

Kitchen ABC's
(Starting September 9)

AFTERNOON
Science Shows

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Science Shows

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Science Shows

Tues. - Fri.: 11 am, 1, & 2 pm; Sat. - Sun.: 11 am, 12, 1, 2, 3 pm
Streck Science Showplace

Children of all ages love our engaging daily shows where we share science concepts in an entertaining way for the whole family.

June-August:

Weather Through the Seasons

Upcoming shows:

Bubbles

Halloween

Holidays Around the World



S.T.E.A.M. Power

Tues. - Fri.: 2:45 pm; Sat. - Sun.: 9:30 am & 4:00 pm
S.T.E.A.M. Cave

We're opening our STEAM Cave to explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math, in new and exciting ways! We may be investigating circuits, using physics to create art, or practicing coding skills among other activities.



All programming is subject to change. Please visit ocm.org for calendar updates.



Nature Lab

My Wild Backyard - May 31 - April 2026

Join us upstairs in My Wild Backyard as we explore the changing seasons and what might be happening in your own backyard. We might be observing plants and insects, learning about composting, or creating art using items found in nature.

Listen for announcements at the museum for program times!

A note from your OCM Educators on Daily Programming

OCM's trained and experienced Education Department works diligently on each of our programs to ensure that learning through play is at the center of all we do. At OCM, we recognize six different forms of play.



Creative Play: This includes activities such as drawing, painting, making music, dancing, face painting, tinkering, making up stories, and making rules.



Social Play: This type of play includes communicating, cooperating, negotiating rules, inviting play, demonstrating values, and taking turns.



Linguistic Play: This includes listening to stories, singing, communicating, and rhyming.



Inquisitive Play: This includes observation, experimentation, changing variables, making connections, tinkering, solving problems, completing puzzles, asking questions, and sorting.



Physical Play: Perhaps the most obvious to notice, physical play includes running, climbing, sliding, hanging, jumping, manipulating, and fine and gross motor development.



Imaginative Play: This includes role playing, acting out stories, using an object as something else, and imitating.

Lastly, as OCM educators, we are dedicated to providing high quality programs that spark the imagination through the implementation of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics (S.T.E.A.M. Educational Approach).

SPECIAL EVENTS

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18-
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A crowd favorite is back! Join us in your poofiest ball gowns or your shiniest armor. Meet Princes and Princesses you know and love, sing and dance, go on a quest to declare you're royalty! Featuring an all new science show and other surprises.

AUG
1-
3

The Back To School Weekend-inator

Friday, Aug. 1 - Sunday, Aug. 3

Summer Vacation may not have lasted 104 days- but it's felt like it! Come celebrate back to school with us, Phineas & Ferb style! Meet Perry the Platypus and create all the "-inators" you'll need to survive the school year!

SEPT
19

Teacher Night

Friday, September 19

Calling all teachers! This one is for you! We heard the request to bring back teacher night and it's officially a go! Join us for this Adults Only event where you can learn all about resources available to use in your classroom!

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OCT
11-
12

Pumpkins with a Purpose

Saturday, Oct. 11 - Sunday, Oct. 12

Join us for a day of fun, festivities, and philanthropy as we carve out smiles and opportunities for every child!

OCT
25-
26

Gabby's MEOWseum

Saturday, Oct. 25 - Sunday, Oct. 26

Join Gabby for a day of arts and crafts, exploring the museum, and so much more!

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Suit up! Complete your hero training and learn about the everyday heroes in our community.

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DEC
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Bubbly New Year's Eve

December 31

Celebrate New Year's Eve with us even before nap time! Bubble drops all day long and some guest appearances from characters you might have missed throughout the year!

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