LET'S PLAY

Whether you are playing along in the Museum exhibits or you want to check out a camp or class, there's always a way to spark your imagination at the Children's Museum of South Dakota.

Become a member!

Members not only get free admission all year long, but they save 20% on camps, classes, and birthday parties too.

Oh, and did we mention an extra hour of play on Saturday mornings from 9-10 am and a discount in Play Central Toys & Books? Let's play!



AT THE Children's Museum

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Museum After Dark 21+ Event: Friday, April 25

Summer Kickoff: Date will correspond with the last day of school! Watch our website prairieplay.org. Dinosaur Day: Sunday, June 1

Celebrate 15 Years of Play: Saturday, Sept. 20



Unleash Your Imagination With Daily Adventures!

Story Time

Tuesdays 10:30-11 am // All Ages // Family Style Free with Paid Admission

Perfect for young imaginations, this weekly event invites children to dive into new worlds and exciting experiences with every turn of the page.

Spark Studio

Thursdays 1-2 pm & Sundays 1-2 pm // All Ages Family Style // Come-and-Go Free with Paid Admission

Spark Studio is designed to ignite creativity and imagination through hands-on exploration.

Magnetic Fishing

Tuesday-Saturday 11 am-12 pm & 3-4 pm & Sunday 3-4 pm // All Ages // Family Style Come-and-Go // Free with Paid Admission

Grab a magnetic fishing pole or a net, and if you're lucky you'll catch a sunfish or a record-setting trout! Activity is weather permitting.

Make-n-Take Tuesdays

Tuesdays 4:30-6:30 pm // All Ages // Family Style Come-and-Go // Museum Admission Required Each week, dive into a new hands-on project that will offer a fresh and fun experience every time.

Tuesday, June 3: Decorate Your Own Kite (\$6) Tuesday, June 17: Shrinky Dinks (\$3) Tuesday, July 15: Homemade Bird Feeder (\$5) Tuesday, July 29: Fuse Beads (\$3) Tuesday, August 12: Canvas Painting (\$6) Tuesday, August 19: Slime (\$5)

Tie-Dye Tuesdays

Tuesdays 3-6 pm // All Ages // Family Style Come-and-Go // Museum Admission Required

Dive into a colorful adventure. A \$20 event fee includes a limited-edition museum shirt, tie-dye supplies, and training. Shirt sizes range from infant, toddler, youth, and adult!

Tuesday, June 10 Tuesday, June 24 Tuesday, July 1 Tuesday, July 8 Tuesday, July 22 Tuesday, August 5

Kids Night In + Parents Night Out

Ages 5-12 // Drop Off // Registration Required \$35 each session per child (\$28 members) Bring Your Own Sack Supper

Parents can enjoy a night on the town while the kids stay and play. You never know what kind of fun you'll find in the Maker Studio after hours! Explore robotics, circuitry, clay, sculpture, and painting. Play games, read books, or create your adventure.

Friday, June 6, 5:30-8:30 pm Thursday, July 17, 5:30-8:30 pm Friday, August 1, 5:30-8:30 pm

Play Dates

Fridays 9-10 am // Ages 0-36 months // Family Style Free // Registration Required

Children and their grown-ups are invited to this special time to play, discover and explore through hands-on experiences.

Playful Preschoolers

Wednesdays and Thursdays 8:30-11:30 am Ages 3-5 // Drop Off Optional // Registration Required Snack Provided // \$30 (\$24 members)

Connect with new friends, explore new interests, and build new skills. Classes are hands-on and child-led providing children with a chance to learn through play and inquiry. Play along!

Wednesday, June 4
Thursday, June 5
Wednesday, June 11
Thursday, June 12
Wednesday, June 18
Thursday, June 19
Wednesday, June 25
Thursday, June 26
Wednesday, July 2
Wednesday, July 9
Thursday, July 10

Wednesday, July 16 Thursday, July 17 Wednesday, July 23 Thursday, July 24 Wednesday, July 30 Thursday, July 31 Wednesday, August 6 Thursday, August 7 Wednesday, August 13 Thursday, August 14

Sensory Friendly Play

Select Fridays 5-8 pm // All Ages // Family Style Museum Admission Required

For those who will benefit from expanded accessibility and sensory accommodations.

Friday, April 11 Friday, May 9	Friday, July 11 Friday, August 8



Downtown Brookings

*Calendar items subject to change. Please double-check at prairieplay.org/calendar

Afternoon Summer Camps

Ages 5-12 // Drop Off // Registration Required // Snack Provided // \$37 each session (\$29.60 members)

Pixel Art

Wednesday, June 4, 1-5 pm

Explore the colorful world of pixel art to create retrostyle images and patterns, just like in early video games.

Paint the Afternoon Away

Thursday, June 5, 1-5 pm

Explore the world of acrylics, watercolors, and mixed media creating vibrant artwork with color and texture.

Slime Lab 1.0

Wednesday, June 18, 1-5 pm

Explore the science behind slime as you make stretchy, fluffy, glittery, and other one-of-a-kind varieties. Experiment with fun additives and textures crafting your very own signature creations.

Paper Arts

Thursday, June 19, 1-5 pm

Try your hand at origami, experiment with paper marbling, create vibrant collages, and design intricate paper sculptures. Watch paper transform into stunning works of art!

Cardboard Creations

Wednesday, July 2, 1-5 pm

Campers will craft 3D wall art, build their own instruments, and create sculptures that move and come to life. It's a hands-on experience that combines art, engineering, and imagination!

Brick Masters

Wednesday, July 9, 1-5 pm

Create stunning pixel art, tackle design and build challenges, and work together to solve an escape room.

Thread & Tinker

Thursday, July 10, 1-5 pm

Explore the world of fiber arts by learning the basics of embroidery and cross stitch. Campers will even build their own weaving loom.

Culinary Creations

Wednesday, July 16, 1-5 pm Campers will learn to combine texture, color, and balance to create edible masterpieces. Yum!

Bot Builders

Thursday, July 17, 1-5 pm

Explore how robots work while learning the basics of coding. Build simple bots, program their movements, and navigate a robot obstacle course!

Pottery Wheel

Wednesday, July 30, 1-5 pm: (\$47 / \$37.60 members) Thursday, July 31, 1-5 pm (\$47 / \$37.60 members)

Take a spin on our pottery wheels. Campers will learn how to create one-of-a-kind pieces that will be fired in our kiln. Limited space available.

Circuit Lab

Wednesday, August 13, 1-5 pm

Using wires, lights, and switches, you'll build projects that light up, buzz, or move, while learning how electricity flows through a circuit to power your designs.

Slime Lab 2.0

Thursday, August 14, 1-5 pm

We loved Slime Lab 1.0 so much we had to do it again. Don't worry, you will have just as much fun the second time with brand-new inspiration!

All Day Summer Camps

Ages 6-12 // Drop Off // Registration Required // Bring a Sack Lunch // \$70 (\$56 members)

Gross-ology

Tuesday, June 3, 9 am to 5 pm

Campers will learn the science behind our grossest bodily functions through hands-on experiments that are sure to give everyone the giggles—and maybe a few "grossbumps!"

Nature Makers

Tuesday, June 17, 9 am to 5 pm

Campers will explore the outdoors while creating art inspired by the natural world, making DIY bird feeders, crafting nature weavings, and capturing the essence of nature through sunprinting.

Space

Tuesday, July 1, 9 am to 5 pm

Suit up for a day of exploring the universe, as we explore how stars form, build spacecrafts, create galaxy-inspired art, and embark on space adventures through a variety of out-of-this-world activities.

Theater

Tuesday July 8, 9 am to 5 pm

Be part of a grand, one-day production leading to a final performance with an audience. Take on a lead character role, design costumes, build props, or become a director. The choice (and stage) is yours!

3D Art

Tuesday, July 15, 9 am to 5 pm

Campers will create kinetic art, design glowing sculptures, craft shadow boxes, and explore other 3D mediums. It's the perfect opportunity to dive into the world of sculptural art while experimenting with light, motion, and texture!

Clay All Day

Tuesday, July 29, 9 am to 5 pm

Campers will explore a variety of clays, including earthenware, air-dry, and paper clay. From sculpting unique art pieces to crafting functional objects, this class offers endless opportunities for artistic expression!

Earth Science

Tuesday, August 12, 9 am to 5 pm

Campers will explore rocks and minerals, build mini terrariums, create their own water filters, and learn about the many layers of our Earth through hands-on activities. Weather permitting, they'll also harness the power of the sun by using a solar oven to cook up their creations.

Multiday Summer Camps

Ages 6-12 // Drop Off // Registration Required // Snack Provided // \$140 (\$112 members)

Colorful Creations

Tuesday, June 10-Friday, June 13, 1 to 5 pm

Campers will explore painting, sculpture, mixedmedia collage, and more bringing their wildest ideas to life ending in an Art Show on the final day.

Animal Adventures

Tuesday, June 24-Friday, June 27, 1 to 5 pm

Through hands-on activities, live animal encounters, creative projects, and fun experiments, campers will gain a deeper understanding of the animal kingdom and the incredible diversity of life on our planet!

Science Exploration

Tuesday, July 22-Friday, July 25, 1 to 5 pm

Explore chemistry, botany, biology, and physics in this hands-on experimental camp. From colorful reactions to exploring the creatures and systems that make life thrive, we'll discover the science behind everyday materials.

Whimsical Creations

Tuesday, August 5-Friday, August 8, 1 to 5 pm

Campers will explore the wonders of enchanted forests, dive into the magical depths of underwater worlds, and soar through whimsical skies through hands-on projects every day.

REGISTER TODAY!

Scan to find a link to register for camps and classes





