

## Family Membership

### Become a Family Member!

Less than \$11 a month gives your family unlimited access to the Museum. Ask any staff member or visit <http://www.BostonChildrensMuseum.org/membership/categories.html> or call (617) 426-6500 ext. 354.

**Member Morning.** Just for BCM Family Members, every Saturday and Sunday from 9-10am.

## Teaching Kits

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Reserve your Kits for the new school year NOW! MA public school teachers get **FREE** rentals and shipping. For all programs check out our website for details: [www.BostonChildrensMuseum.org/educators/about.html](http://www.BostonChildrensMuseum.org/educators/about.html).

## Support the Museum

Please help more children find the joy of learning. **Your** gift allows us to continue to bring you all the wonderful exhibits, programs, and activities that you've come to expect from Boston Children's Museum.

**The Giving Tree is waiting for you!** Please visit [www.BostonChildrensMuseum.org/givingtree.html](http://www.BostonChildrensMuseum.org/givingtree.html) or call (617) 426-6500 ext. 254 to make your special gift.

## Growing Up Green

As Boston's first green museum, Boston Children's Museum is leading by example to educate and inspire visitors, the city, and other museums to become actively involved in protecting the environment.

Come visit *Our Green Trail*, an exhibit highlighting the green aspects of the Museum's building and grounds while providing green information and useful ideas. Bring your green experience home by visiting [www.ourgreentrail.org](http://www.ourgreentrail.org).

*Our Green Trail is sponsored by Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation and ourgreentrail.org is sponsored by National Grid.*



## New Exhibits

### *Out on a Limb* NOW - September 6, 2010

The fun and wonder of the natural world is explored through elaborate tree houses in *Out on a Limb*. Children can help birds build nests and care for their young, climb a tree tower, make and decorate their own club house, and more!

### *AirPlay* NOW- September, 2010

A whimsical exploration of air and its properties, this exhibit provides lots of hands-on fun and family learning. Whether you're watching the Bernoulli affect on floating objects, or examining hand-held fans from the Museum's collection, there's lots to do together. AirPlay is an entertaining and absorbing experience where art meets science.

### *Balancing Act* Coming in September

How's your balance? This fun, interactive exhibit explores how our body systems work together to enable skateboarders, surfers and all of us to master and maintain balance. Test your skills on balance beams, bridges and boogie boards. Construct a mobile using fanciful shapes, build a balance and motion machine and more!

### In the Gallery

#### *Old Favorites: American Boardgames -1850 to Today* NOW - September 6, 2010

Unlock memories of your childhood and share them with your kids! Explore board and table games from 1850 to the present!

#### *Heavy Metal: Reclaimed and Recycled Artwork* September - November, 2010

No magnets necessary - you won't be able to resist the pull of artwork that's been welded, twisted, nailed, and woven out of everything from aluminum cans to cast iron!

## Museum Shop

Come shop at Boston Children's Museum Gift Shop and take the BCM experience home! For more information, please call the Museum Shop at (617) 426-6500 ext. 236 or email [MuseumShop@BostonChildrensMuseum.org](mailto:MuseumShop@BostonChildrensMuseum.org).



Return Service Requested

Our Lunchroom is the Visitor Recycling Center. Please help us keep the Museum clean and green by recycling!



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July, August, September  
2010 Calendar of Events



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# Calendar



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## Summer Games!

See Inside For:

- Explore the Museum's Collections
- Heavy Metal: Reclaimed & Recycled Artwork
- Out on a Limb



[www.BostonChildrensMuseum.org](http://www.BostonChildrensMuseum.org)

Boston Children's Museum helps children & the adults in their lives understand & enjoy the world.



**Just for 0 - 3 in PlaySpace:**  
Carolyn and Peter Lynch Early Learning Gallery

Exhibit open daily 10am-4:30pm, 10am-8:30pm on Fridays.  
PlaySpace closes 30 minutes prior to Museum closing to provide the entire area with a deep cleaning.

**Messy Sensory Activities:** Everyday, 10:30am-4pm  
Grab a smock for some messy arts and science activities.

**Music & Movement:** July & August: Wednesdays, 11-11:45am  
September: Mondays and Wednesdays, 11-11:45am  
Shake, wiggle and giggle to favorite songs that get everyone moving.

**Tasty Tuesdays:** Tuesdays, 10:30-11am  
Make a yummy, healthy snack that tots and adults will both enjoy!

**My First Yoga:** Fridays, 11-11:45am  
Flex and relax for big and small bodies.

**Summer Games! June 24 -September 5**

Games for one, games for all, inside, outside, tiny games and huge games, games for groups and games for families everyday of the summer! Supported in part by **Hood**

- Mondays:** Rope and String Games
- Tuesdays:** Games Around the World
- Wednesdays:** Musical Games
- Thursdays:** Sidewalk and Playground Games
- Fridays:** Circle and Hoop Games
- Saturdays and Sundays:** Staff Favorites

**Game Factory:** Make your own game using recycled materials from *The Recycle Shop*.



**Fishing 101**

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday  
July 5th-August 13th, 10am-12pm

Cast a line and see what you can catch off the boardwalk!  
-Weather Permitting-

**July**

- 9 七夕 *Tanabata-The Japanese Star Festival* 6-8pm  
Learn the romantic tale of the two separated stars. Write a wish on *tanzaku* and hang it on bamboo trees!
- 9 & 23 **Sugar Free Friday Nights** 6-8pm  
Yummy and healthy alternatives to sugary foods.
- 10 紙芝居 *Kamishibai - Japanese Storytelling* 11am, 12&1pm  
A story about a little crab and his adventure!
- 10 **Kitchen Science: Air Blown Watercolor** 11:30am-1:30pm  
Explore how water behaves while experimenting with colors.
- 11 **Explore Collections** 11:30am-1:30pm  
Put on white gloves and explore some of the Museum's hidden treasures.
- 17 **Critter Day: The Creature Teachers** 12, 1 & 2pm  
Do you know what toucans eat? Have you ever met a kinkajou? Join us to meet these creatures and more!
- 22 & 29 **The Worminator** 11am-12pm  
Explore the big bad world of worms.
- 28 **Summer Explorers** 11am-12pm  
Discover the nature of summer.
- 29 **Can of Worms in PlaySpace** 3-3:30pm  
Explore real squiggly worms—for babies and toddlers.
- 30 **Movies on the Milk Bottle** 8:15pm  
Watch a program of short, kid-friendly films.

**In the Art Studio**

- July:** **Mixed Media** (check "Today" signs for times)  
We're taking your favorite art supplies and using them together!
- August:** **Design and Draw** (check "Today" signs for times)  
Use old school tools to create the home of your dreams or make your own game.\*
- September:** **Collage** (check "Today" signs for times)  
Cut and paste a variety of materials.\*

\*Sunday Workshops: visit [www.BostonChildrensMuseum.org](http://www.BostonChildrensMuseum.org) for details.

**August**

- 3 **Relaxation day** 11am-3pm  
Learn new ways to relax around the Museum!
- 4, 11, 18 & 25 **Summer Explorers** 11am-12pm  
Discover the nature of summer.
- 5, 12, 19 & 26 **The Worminator** 11am-12pm  
Explore the big bad world of worms.
- 6 **Local Harvest** 6-8pm  
Local food taste-testing all year-round.
- 6 折鶴 **Make Origami Cranes for Peace Day** 6-8pm  
Make your own peace crane and think about world peace!
- 7 **Wardrobe Remix** 11am-3pm  
Build and create with recycled clothes.
- 8 **Explore Collections** 11:30am-1:30pm  
Put on white gloves to explore the Museum's treasures.
- 12 **Can of Worms in PlaySpace** 3-3:30pm  
Explore real squiggly worms—for babies and toddlers.
- 13 & 27 **Sugar Free Friday Nights** 6-8pm  
Yummy and healthy alternatives to sugary foods.
- 14 **Kitchen Science: Foil Molds** 11:30am-1:30pm  
Make a mold of something in the Museum!
- 14 紙芝居 *Kamishibai - Japanese Storytelling* 11am, 12&1pm  
"Urashima Taro" story about a man and an undersea palace.
- 21 **Critter Day: Audubon Ark** 11am-1pm  
Meet animals from right here in Massachusetts
- 27 **Movies on the Milk Bottle** 8:15pm  
Watch a program of short, kid-friendly films.

**京の町家 In the Japanese House**

- July & August:** Guided Visits of *Kyo-no-Machiya*, an authentic historic house from Kyoto.  
京の町家ツアー
- September:** Make your own *Haiku* about the Big Autumn Moon for your grandparents!  
お月見と敬老の日

Check "Today" signs for Japanese House hours and activities.

**September**

- 10 & 24 **Sugar Free Friday Nights** 6-8pm  
Yummy and healthy alternatives to sugary foods.
- 11 **Kitchen Science: Finding Vitamin C** 11:30am-1:30pm  
Use kitchen chemistry to discover which foods have vitamin C.
- 11 紙芝居 *Kamishibai - Japanese Storytelling* 11am, 12&1pm  
"The Bamboo Princess" story. Celebrate Moon Viewing Day!
- 12 **Explore Collections** 11:30am-1:30pm  
Explore some of the Museum's hidden treasures.
- 12 **Grandparents Day** 12-3pm  
A day devoted to the special bond between grandparents and grandchildren. Come play together!
- 13 **Museum Closed**
- 18 **Critter Day: Buzzing Bees** 10am-12pm  
What goes on inside a beehive? Meet a real beekeeper!
- 24 **Movies on the Milk Bottle** 8:15pm  
Watch a program of short, kid-friendly films.
- 26 **Sing-a-long-athon** 11-3pm  
Crooners, warm up your vocal chords! Drop into the Open Mic and sing your favorite songs around the "campfire."

Check out our **NEW KidStage play**, "What's in a Game!"



**Join the fun on the Carl and Ruth Shapiro Family Foundation KidStage**

...our professional children's performance space where the audience is part of the show! Check the Museum website for an updated schedule of plays and special events.

**Science**

*Pint Sized Science: Explorations for Preschoolers and Meet the Creature* are taking the summer off but will return in September. Please check "Today" sign for hours.