Your *link* to Omaha Children's Museum

# WALKING IN A SPIDER WEB

COBWEB CASTLE OPEN OCTOBER 1 - 30

# GUESS WHO'S COMING TO TOWN

SANTA'S MAGIC OPENS NOVEMBER 25

# Calling All Future Astronauts

MOON TO MARS OPEN UNTIL JANUARY 8





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## Original programming for the whole family

Find Omaha Children's Museum on YouTube. We produce our own original programming that children and adults can enjoy together! Go on amazing adventures, meet silly characters and participate in fun, at-home projects and experiments. It's great a way to visit the museum from the comfort of your own home!

Adventures in Science - Join OCM programmer Amber as she meets and experiments with some of the most famous scientists throughout history. Who will Amber encounter next?

**Tinker Time** - OCM's very own Tinker Fairy brings Tinker Factory challenges to the comfort of your home! So gather your supplies, your curiosity, and, of course, your safety goggles, and tune in for the tinkering magic!

# Homeschool Program

# New virtual programming

Starting this fall, Omaha Children's Museum will be offering virtual programing for the homeschool community! Subscribe and get access to interactive virtual programing happening once a month. Check our website for dates and times.

# at (402) 342-6164 ext.452, or visit ocm.org



# Streaming **Science Shows** hosted by Varsity **Tutors**

Get details and register at varsitytutors.com!

# Aboard The Jolly Roger

Museum in a Box

Rent a portable kit for your class

materials, lesson plans, and activities for an

entire week of learning through play! For

information regarding topics and included materials, contact the Outreach Coordinator

Looking for an educational, interactive learning experience to share with your students? Why not rent Museum in a Box! This portable kit will include hands-on

Thursday, October 13 - Ahoy there! Climb aboard as we raise anchor and set sail for... physics? Whether it's a flying cannonball, a walk off the plank or sailing through a roaring typhoon, you'll love the treasure we dig up!

# The Great Minds

Wednesday, November 16 - Galileo, Einstein, Curie, Tesla. Just a sample of some of the most famous scientists throughout history. In this episode, we learn about some of the great minds, what they accomplished, what we can learn from them, all while showcasing their findings with fantastic demonstrations.

# To the Moon and Back

Wednesday, December 14 - 3, 2, 1... BLAST OFF! Join us as we learn about NASA's lunar Artemis program from its inception to its current progress. We will also learn about the other planets in our solar system and showcase amazing experiments about the universe!



# Moon to Mars Exhibit open now through Jan. 8

Attention all future astronauts! Moon to Mars is transporting children to a world inspired by the current realities and the future dreams of space travel. This exhibit, designed with support from NASA's Deep Space Exploration Systems at Johnson Space Center, demonstrates that science and exploration requires a diverse team.

Mission Control is requesting your presence for training on many of the skills needed to work for the space program. Cadets can learn the science, math, and engineering needed to build rockets, travel in space, and perform other space-related activities.

# **Cobweb** Castle

# Exhibit open now through October 31

A Halloween tradition without the frights, Cobweb Castle returns this fall! Clamber your way through the spooky maze, scale the castle wall, or don your sorcerer's hat and makeup.

The not-so-scary Halloween experience returns October 1 to October 30. Come and enjoy the fun of Halloween without the scares in our seasonal exhibit, Cobweb Castle!

# Santa's Magic

# Santa makes his return to Omaha

Step into a whimsical winter wonderland for yet another year of our magical holiday tradition. We will discover the giving spirit of the holiday season in an interactive performance by the Snow Queen, Santa's elves, and, of course, Santa Claus who will hear every child's wish list. Santa's Magic returns Nov. 25 and runs every day through Dec. 23. See showtimes on the next page.



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# **PROGRAMMING** October 1 - December 31, 2022



Cobweb Castle Program Tues. - Fri.: 11 am & 1:45 pm Cobweb Castle Exhibit - Ends Oct. 30

Meet members of the Cobweb Court this fall in Cobweb Castle. Together we will 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 Showtimes Santa's Magic Exhibit- Nov. 25 - Dec. 23

This family favorite returns for another exciting year of Christmas enchantment! Santa returns to Omaha Children's Museum to star, in-person, in the beloved holiday tradition, Santa's Magic. The show also features Rudolph, friendly elves, and a few magical surprises. Multiple shows of Santa's Magic run daily during regular museum hours from Nov. 25 through Dec. 23. Santa's Magic is included with regular museum admission. Seating is limited at each performance.





- In partnership with the community, OCM is committed to bring the mission of the museum and to eliminate access barriers to the interactive and educational learning opportunities to underserved neighborhoods and communities. We offer STEM activities and programming such as tinkering and programmable robots, community-related art activities, science shows, and even interactive portable exhibits! Here are some dates to note:
  - Gene Leahy Mall Halloween Saturday, October 9 from 3 - 6 pm
  - The Global Leadership Africa Summit Friday, October 21 from 9 am - 5 pm at the Omaha Design Center
  - Great HALL-oween Haunt at The Durham Museum Tuesday, October 25th from 5 - 8 pm



Kitchen ABC's

**Science Shows** 

Astronaut Training

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Kitchen ABC's Tues. - Fri.: 9:30 am Curiosity Room

We're cooking up some great recipes Join us as we learn the basics of cooking and using kitchen tools. We will celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month and Native American Heritage Month with recipes from those cultures. We will also be making some of our favorite Halloween and Thanksgiving foods. Space is limited, so pick up your free ticket at the front desk.

**Science Shows** *Tues. - Fri.: 11 am, 1, 2, & 3 pm;* Sat. - Sun.: 10 & 11 am, 12, 1, 2, 3, 4 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.

**October**: Haunted Halloween Science Show *November*: *The Amazing Bubble Show* December: Freezing Cold Science Show





Astronaut Training Tues. - Fri.: 11:45 am - 1 pm; Sat. - Sun.: 9:30 - 11:30 am, 12:45 - 4:30 pm Moon to Mars Exhibit, Second Floor

Attention all future astronauts! Mission Control is requesting your presence for training on many of the skills needed to work for the space program. Cadets can learn the

science, math, and engineering needed to build rockets, travel in space, and perform other space-related activities.

# NEW! Sensory Hours Oct. 9 from 9 - 11 a.m.

During this time, many of the exhibit lights and sounds are adjusted to be more welcoming to our friends who are sensory sensitive.











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# SHOWTIMES

**Tuesday - Sunday** 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 1 p.m. 2 p.m. 3 p.m.

After the 3 p.m. show each day, Santa will remain in the exhibit to talk with any child who wishes to meet him!





- Halloween Movie Night at the Highlander Thursday, October 27 from 5 -6:30 pm at the Highlander Omaha
- Charles Lakin Spooktacular Friday, October 28 from 5 - 7 pm at the Charles E. Lakin YMCA

# **SPECIAL EVENTS**



# Make Omaha

Saturday, Oct 8, 10 am - 3 pm at Do Space OCM will be participating in Make Omaha! Make Omaha is a showcase of innovation and celebrates local makers and inventors. Meet the maker community and discover the fantastic technologies they create with. The event is free and will be at Do Space at 7205 Dodge St.



## **OCM Trick or Treat Days**

Saturdays, Oct. 15, 22, and 29

Come play at the museum AND collect your Halloween candy all at once! We will have candy, small toys and more as you trick or treat your way through the museum. Don't forget to come dressed up!

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### **Read for the Record**

Thursday, Oct. 27 at 1:30 p.m.

Read with us as we join Jumpstart in breaking the world record for reading the same book, on the same day! This year's story is Nigel and the Moon by Antwan Eady. In addition to going into schools, OCM will be doing an in-house reading at 1:30pm. The first 25 families will receive a free copy of the book!



### May The Force Be With You **Family Fun Weekend**

Friday, Nov. 11 - Sunday, Nov. 13

The force has returned and is stronger than ever! Come join the Rebellion (or the Empire) as they come to the museum to recruit young Padawans to the cause. Games, programs, characters, and more are included with admission.



## Santa's Magic Opening

### Friday, Nov. 25

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 the Snow Queen, Santa's Elves, and Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer. You won't want to miss it!



We will be closed on the following dates:

Thursday, Nov. 24 Saturday, Dec. 24 Sunday, Dec. 25 Sunday, Jan. 1



# Holiday Lights Festival

Sunday, Dec. 4; Special hours: 11 am - 4pm The museum will be participating in the 22nd annual Holiday Lights Festival in downtown Omaha. Partnering with other non-profits in Omaha, OCM will offer free admission, fun holiday activities, and Santa meet-and-greets throughout the day! Please note there will be no Santa's Magic performances on this day.

### Santa's Milk and Cookies Family DEC **Fun Weekend**

**16** Friday, Dec. 16 - Sunday, Dec. 18 18 Guess who's coming to town? SANTA!!!!!!! Come eat cookies, do fun activities, play in the museum, and meet Santa!

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# **Bubbly New Year's Eue Party**

Sunday, Dec 31; Special hours: 9 am – 7 pm.

Don't let bed times burst your bubble! We are celebrating our New Year's Eve all day long. Put on some swag as you ring in the New Year with the Amazing Bubble Show, NYE crafts, characters, and bubble drops throughout the day. All activities included with admission, while supplies last.

# Donor Spotlight



Omaha Children's Museum relies on the generous support of our donors and sponsors to provide unique experiences for our guests year over year. Oriental Trading is one of those cherished sponsors. Oriental Trading's mission is to help customers celebrate special milestones and events, feed their creativity, and simply make life fun. Beyond making the world more fun, Oriental Trading also understands the importance of giving back to the communities of its employees and customers. Together with nonprofits across the U.S. and within the Omaha community, they have built a corporate giving program that aims to enhance the lives of children through education, youth, healthcare, and human services. For over ten years, Oriental Trading has been proud to partner with the Omaha Children's Museum to provide children with education, play, and fun!







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# Join us in supporting Conagra's Shine the Light on Hunger campaign

We are happy to once again be participating in Conagra's Shine The Light on Hunger campaign. Bring a nonperishable food item to donate to Food Bank for the Heartland – and receive discounted admission! **Receive** <sup>\$</sup>1 discount per food item donated, to a maximum of \$2 per ticket, or family/group maximum of \$12. Mostneeded items include peanut butter, canned tuna and chicken, macaroni and cheese, and canned fruits and vegetables. Together, we can raise 1.75 million meals for our neighbors experiencing hunger and food insecurity this holiday season. Donations accepted from November 25 through December 31.

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If we missed your name, please contact us at 402-342-6164 ext. 433 so that we can include you in our next issue.