

*Celebrating our 50th
Anniversary with a
unique "Space Fest!"
to Benefit
The Children's Museum*



**Commemorating our Children's
Museum's 50th Anniversary!**



*Friday, Oct. 18th 5-8pm
Sat. Oct. 19th 9:30a-12p
Anniversary Celebration
Program Book*



**The NYS Office of Historic
Preservation & The National
Registry, have declared our
Children's Museum an historic
building.**

**We're proud to join our neigh-
bors in historic Baggs Square E.**

**Thanks for helping us to con-
tinue our renovation and growth.**

"Space Fest" - Children's Museum 50th Anniversary!

Children's Museum of History, Science & Technology, 311 Main St, Utica, NY, open year round, educationally enjoyable environment for kids 1-101. Chartered by NYS Board of Regents in history & science, member D. C. Nat'l Assoc. Museums, Museum Assoc. NY, Chamber Alliance. Adopted by NASA/Office Science, declared a NYS & Federal Historic Building. Families, schools, scouts, daycares, seniors, tourists interact w/4 floors of exhibits!

5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Friday night, Oct. 18th

9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Saturday, Oct. 19th

**All 4 floors open for
both events with all exhibits
on for your enjoyment!**

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**ENJOY YOUR EVENING
in our historic building with its
4 floors of hands-on exhibits!**



Dear Supporters, This celebrates our 50th year as a valuable community asset to the children of families of our region. The Children's Museum provides a wide variety of enjoyable educational experiences for children of all ages to learn and create through an interactive approach. One of the oldest children's museums in the country, we were organized in 1963 by the Junior League. Constructed at the turn of the century, the five story brick building's Romanesque Revival exterior remains as imposing as ever, and the charm of the period remains inside with its decoratively paneled central oak staircase, original glass and wood paneled office, fourteen foot high ceiling sheathed in fancy pressed tin.

We celebrate and honor those who contribute. This event is made possible through the support of many individuals. It is these giving people & organizations, with their vision, perseverance, and caring for the children of our community, that are the Children's Museum Community Heroes.

In 2002, we opened our 4th floor, featuring NASA & Office of Science exhibits and our 17 foot airplane. In 2003, we installed new HVAC systems throughout the building. In 2004, we installed a new front door and energy efficient windows throughout the building.

In 2005, we continued renovating & added several new exhibits. In 2006, we opened our commemorative brick sidewalk. In 2007, we were designated a NY State & Federal Historic building. In 2008, we installed new energy efficient lighting throughout, plus new roof signs & chandeliers. In 2009, we installed an interactive LED PlayDance floor!

In 2010, we replaced our aging roof - removing 25 lbs psf & replacing it with a roof of only 2 lbs psf! We setup two beautiful donations - a Christmas village and HO trains, joining 100's of other interactive exhibits.

In 2011, we added additional handicapped bathrooms on our 3rd floor, opened a Healthy Kids Hut on our 1st floor, an Educational Theatre on our 4th floor, and added several Lionel trains to our train exhibit!

In 2012, we installed a Wind Turbine on our roof, opened a Sustainable Energy exhibit, were a co-recipient of the Mayor's Gala, were Chosen Landmark Society's Restoration Aware, Installed interactive Erie Canal exhibits, our Exec. Director Marlene Brown was selected 1 of 19 from CNY (1 of 2 from Oneida County) as WCNY's "Women Who Make America" & was honored in the Seneca Falls Building.

In 2013, we replaced our 2nd floor carpets, added more exhibits, and have been busy planning our 50th Anniversary Commemoration with a unique "Space Fest!" featuring unique NASA exhibits.

Future plans call for building a STEM Center w/planetarium, plus office & loft spaces to ensure our sustainability & provide a really unique venue!

Thanks for supporting us, as we continue to improve our community's quality of life & contribute as a valuable tourist attraction .

- *Marlene B. Brown, Executive Director*