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**National Children's Museum Expands Hours for More Days of Play this Summer**

*The institution will be open 7 days a week for the months of July and August*

**WASHINGTON** – National Children's Museum is offering additional opportunities for locals and visitors to visit this summer by opening seven days a week for the months of July and August. Beginning July 2, Summer Tuesdays will encourage more days of play for young learners and their families. The Museum will be open during normal operating hours on the following Tuesdays and will resume Tuesday closures in the month of September.

- July 2
- July 9
- July 16
- July 23
- July 30
- August 6
- August 13
- August 20
- August 27

“We are thrilled to launch Summer Tuesdays as we celebrate the Museum's 50th anniversary since its founding in 1974,” said Meredith Hamme, interim CEO and Vice President of External Affairs for National Children's Museum. “We look forward to welcoming families for an extra day of play during our busiest summer months.”

This summer, visitors can expect unique, playful learning experiences, like:

- **Mindbender Mansion**, which shows in the Museum's Visiting Exhibit Hall through September 2. Young learners will put on their detective hats and test their problem-solving skills in this whimsical playspace, suitable for Dreamers of all ages.
- An immersive light and color installation designed by the Museum's **Artist-in-Residence**, Katherine Tzu-Lan Mann. This maze of colorful panels, opening in mid-June, is the culmination of creativity from young dreamers who engaged in programs with the Artist-in-Residence over the last 9 months. The Museum's

Artist-in-Residence program is made possible by the National Endowment for the Arts and the Cornelia T. Bailey Foundation.

- **Little Movers**, a dedicated toddler playspace for young learners three and under, reopens in mid-July with new experiences and environmental treatment that create opportunities to crawl, play, jump and move within a “football field,” thanks to sponsorship with the Washington Commanders Foundation.
- **Sound Garden**, a new permanent outdoor activation at the Museum’s entrance, will open mid-summer. Musical instrument sculptures will welcome guests and invite them to interact from their moment of arrival. This experience is made possible by the Deputy Mayor’s Office of Planning and Economic Development.

Tickets to the Museum are \$18.95 for adults and children 1 and older and are free for children under 1 and Museum members. Discounted admission is available for families facing economic barriers to entry through the Museum’s access programs, including Museums for All and the Community Access Program. Located at 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW off the Woodrow Wilson Plaza, National Children’s Museum is open 9:30 am to 4:30 pm. Visitors can plan their next big adventure at [nationalchildrensmuseum.org/tickets](https://nationalchildrensmuseum.org/tickets).

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### **About National Children’s Museum**

STEAM adventure awaits at National Children’s Museum, located in the heart of downtown Washington, D.C. With a mission to inspire children to care about and change the world, the Museum sparks curiosity and ignites creativity for children under the age of twelve and their families. Through playful science, technology, engineering, arts and math (STEAM) based exhibits, programs and virtual offerings, the Museum reaches millions of people each year. Learn more and plan your visit at [nationalchildrensmuseum.org](https://nationalchildrensmuseum.org).