



MISSION: DISCOVERY

Exhibits Family Guide



Your museum may be a little different than you remember, but there is so much to rediscover! It doesn't matter if it's your first visit to The Children's Museum of Indianapolis or your 100th—there is always something new to see and explore. Come on an adventure and get to know your museum better than ever before!

THE EXTRAORDINARY CHILDREN'S MUSEUM COLLECTION

Within each exhibit you will find a treasure trove of objects to excite, inspire, inform, and enchant you. These objects represent only a fraction of the 130,000+ artifacts and specimens in the museum's collection! How well do you think you know our exhibits and the objects on display? Use this checklist and these questions to explore.

ICONIC OBJECTS

Each gallery contains objects or installations that are so unique, so remarkable, and so fascinating that they can only be called "iconic." Can you find these iconic objects in each gallery? What do you find most interesting about them? Which is your favorite and why?

HIDDEN GEMS

There are many hidden gems throughout the museum: objects that may be small or easy to miss, but are worth finding and getting to know the stories that only they can tell. Be on the lookout for these hidden gems. What do you think is special about it? Have you ever seen anything like it before?



EARLY LEARNER OPPORTUNITIES

Some objects may be of particular interest to our youngest visitors—ages 5 and younger. Help the early learners in your group discover these special objects. Look closely at the details on these objects. Do you see any colors, shapes, or patterns? Do they remind you of anything you have seen before? What stories can you tell about these objects? Which one is your favorite and why?

EXPERT CURATOR

Looking for a bit more of a challenge? Put yourself to the test and tackle these gallery challenges.

BONUS REX ROUND!

Everyone's favorite museum dinosaur, Rex, wanted to get in on the fun. Find the three stuffed Rex toys hidden in the museum!



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Riley Children's Health Sports Legends Experience® Indoor

Indy Car driven by Willy T. Ribbs	Colts Super Bowl XLI ring	Blue, Colts mascot	Find the first goal and first win pucks used by the Indy Fuel hockey team
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Ramp walkways, Sunburst Atrium, and Welcome Center

Screen-used Bumblebee Transformer prop; <i>Fireworks of Glass</i> sculpture by Dale Chihuly; Water Clock; Mastodon fossil	Sauropod femur; Putti (Cupids) in the <i>Fireworks of Glass</i> Chihuly ceiling	LEGO Hogwarts Castle	Miniature Propylaeum Carriage House (original home of The Children's Museum)
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Beyond Spaceship Earth

Escape Pod set piece from <i>Star Trek Beyond</i>	Captain Kirk spacesuit worn by Chris Pine in <i>Star Trek Into Darkness</i> Captain Kirk Starfleet uniform worn by Chris Pine in <i>Star Trek Into Darkness</i>	Toy spacesuit helmet	How many astronauts lived in or went to school in Indiana?
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Paleo Art Gallery

Feathered T. rex Head 	Opalized Ammonite	Dracorex Head	What sauropods are shown in the art? <i>Amargosaurus</i> <i>Argentinosaurus</i> <i>Diplodocus</i> <i>Saltosaurus</i> <i>Ultrasaurus</i> <i>Barosaurus</i> (femur) <i>Brachiosaurus</i>
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Dinosphere®			
Leonardo; Bucky	Bambiraptor	Dragonflies	Gorgosaurus skull with brain tumor
All Aboard!			
Reuben Wells steam engine	Lionel Blue Comet toy train set	Overhead model train	How many model locomotives are in the wall cases?
Treasures of the Earth			
Tomb of Pharaoh Seti I reproduction Terra Cotta Warrior reproduction	Indiana Jones hat and whip used by Harrison Ford in <i>Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull</i>	Pharaoh Seti I mummy reproduction	Find the oldest object in the exhibit
American POP			
<i>Scout Memories</i> painting by Norman Rockwell	Golden Ticket used in <i>Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory</i>	Upside down Spider-Man	How many Star Wars figures do you see? Can you name them? (How many are there?)
Take Me There®: Greece			
Airplane; Parthenon Model	Greek Orthodox Icons	Owl sculptures	Backgammon set; Corinth archaeological discoveries
Power of Children			
Ryan's Bedroom; Anne's Annex; Ruby's Classroom	Pen used by President Johnson to sign the Civil Rights Act; Replica Anne Frank diary	Ruby's school book Ryan's fuzzy bear slippers	Which '80s celebrities supported Ryan? 

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Carousel Wishes & Dreams

Dentzel Carousel	The Sophie, painting by Nancy Noel	American Girl doll; Kit Kittredge and her tree house	Find all of the Carousel menagerie animals: 1 lion 1 tiger 3 giraffes 3 goats 3 stags/reindeer
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Wild Weather

Brick from the Yellow Brick Road in <i>The Wizard of Oz</i> (loan)	<i>Indianapolis Star</i> mug from the blizzard of 1978	Stuffed toy Olaf from <i>Frozen</i>	"TV Specs" sunglasses
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Barbie You Can Be Anything: The Experience

1959 first edition Barbie doll Art glass Barbie, custom-made for The Children's Museum	Amelia Earhart's flight goggles	Doctor clothing and matching doctor Barbie doll	Detective Barbie
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ScienceWorks

Amethyst vugg 	Glow-in-the-dark minerals	Living pond creatures (What are they?)	Borden seafloor fossil plate 
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