

Children's Museum of Southeastern Connecticut

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Volunteer Application

General Contact Information:

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please check the Volunteer session you are applying for:

___ Fall/Winter (Sept - Jan) ___ Winter/Spring (Feb - June) ___ Summer (July-August)

Please circle any times you are available to volunteer at the Museum:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Morning	Morning	Morning	Morning	Morning	Morning	
Afternoon	Afternoon	Afternoon	Afternoon	Afternoon	Afternoon	Afternoon

Are you interested in volunteering on a regular weekly basis or on an as needed basis?

Please check the type of volunteer work you are interested in (check all that apply):

_____ **Play Facilitator** - Play Facilitators are a vital part of the Children's Museum. As a Play Facilitator, you will have direct contact with the visitors of the Museum as they play and

interact with our exhibits. Play Facilitators are expected to model and initiate meaningful play experiences as they interact with visitors. Additionally, they help museum staff maintain a clean and safe exhibit floor. Play Facilitators are outgoing individuals who enjoy interacting with others.

Play Facilitators may also be asked to lend a hand during some of our preschool and toddler classes as a Program Assistant. Program Assistants are an integral part of the toddler and preschool programs that the Children's Museum offers its visitors. They help Museum Educators with the set up and implementation of fun and playful programs. Program Assistants are individuals who have an interest in child development and work well with others. Please check the box below if you are also interested in being a Program Assistant during your time at the Museum.

I would be interested in being a Program Assistant.

Drop in Activity Leaders

Play Facilitators have the opportunity to be Drop in Activity Leaders. Drop in Activity Leaders implement hands on and interactive arts and crafts, simple science, and silly fun drop in activities for our visitors. Drop in Activity Leaders are individuals who feel comfortable speaking in front of groups of people, like to be leaders, and don't mind getting messy! Please check the box below if you are also interested in being a Drop in Activity Leader.

I would be interested in being a Drop in Activity Leader

_____ **Special Events Assistant** - Special Events Assistants are crucial to making the Museum's annual special events enjoyable for our visitors. Instead of volunteering on a regular weekly basis, Special Events Assistants volunteer on an as need basis. Special Events Assistants are needed to help prepare materials for the Museum's special events and are also needed on the day of many special events to help make the event a success. Some of the Museum's special events include: The Haunted Shindig, Count Down to Noon, Beach Day, Earth Day, and more!

_____ **Specialized Volunteer** - Do you have a specialized skill you might be interested in sharing with the Children's Museum? Are you handy with a hammer, a talented artist, or have another specialized skill you are interested in contributing to the Museum? Please share any specialized skill you might be interested in sharing with the Museum: _____

To help us get to know you better and to make your volunteer experience the most meaningful for you, please check off the statements below that best describe you:

- I feel comfortable speaking in front of small groups.
- I have prior experience working with large groups of people.
- I enjoy researching and learning about new things.
- I enjoy science.
- I enjoy arts and crafts.
- I like to work with others.
- I like to work independently.
- I have prior experience working with young children.
- I would be interested in helping with office work and behind the scenes program preparation.

Are you First Aid and CPR certified? Yes No

Is this your first time volunteering? Yes No

If this not your first time volunteering, please describe any previous volunteer experience you have had:

References: Please list two references below. References might include employers, guidance counselors, teachers, or coaches.

Reference 1:

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone: _____

Reference 2:

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone: _____

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Office Use Only:

In Filemaker _____

Orientation _____

Background Check Complete: _____ Background Check waived: _____