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Children's Museum of Pittsburgh Announces Countdown to Noon Celebration and Extended Holiday Hours

Annual New Year's Eve event includes family fun for all ages,

Pittsburgh, PA (DECEMBER 14,2024) – Children's Museum of Pittsburgh is excited to host its annual New Year's Eve celebration, Countdown to Noon, on Sunday, December 31.

Guests are invited to enjoy a day of family fun that includes, musical performances by Lee Robinsin & ISKA, a silent disco, arts and making activities, and a celebratory confetti drop at noon. Ahead of the noon confetti drop, visitors can make their own New Year themed accessories using recycled materials and make celebratory paper garland banners. There will be multiple photo opportunities and the chance to share your hopes for the new year live on air with Saturday Light Brigade (SLB) Radio Productions. The Children's Museum will be open from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm and MuseumLab will be open 11:00 am - 3:00 pm on December 31.

In addition, the Museum welcomes families to take advantage of extended museum hours on the following dates:

Tuesday, December 26 – Tuesday, Jan 2*

- Children's Museum is open 9 am 5:00 pm daily
- MuseumLab is open 11:00 am 5:00 pm daily *Excluding Sunday, December 31

"Celebration is such an important part of children's lives, helping them to create memories filled with joy and laughter," says Jane Werner, executive director of Children's Museum of Pittsburgh. "It's really extraordinary that the museum gets to be a part of moments they will remember forever and look back on with fondness."

Countdown to Noon, as well as admission to MuseumLab, is included with Children's Museum admission. Tickets can be purchased in advance on pittsburghkids.org, and are available for walk-up purchase that day.

"We enjoy hosting this event every year with incredible partners who create a really fun day," says Cat Burton, creative arts manager of Children's Museum of Pittsburgh. "It offers something for everyone to welcome the new year —hands-on activities, music, dancing, resolutions, even a silent disco if an energetic countdown is not for you."

The Museum and MuseumLab will also close at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 24 and will be closed on Monday, December 25 and Monday, January 1, 2024.

Parking at Children's Museum of Pittsburgh is \$5 for members and \$7 for nonmembers. Overflow parking is available at the Nova Place garage and exit tickets can be purchased at the museum's Admissions Desk.

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About Children's Museum of Pittsburgh

Children's Museum of Pittsburgh provides innovative and inclusive museum experiences that inspire kindness, joy, creativity and curiosity for all learners. We forge connections with artists, community partners and neighbors to work on behalf of children, youth and families. Permanent hands-on, interactive exhibit areas include The Studio, Theater, Waterplay, Kindness Gallery, Backyard and MAKESHOP®.

Children's Museum of Pittsburgh is open daily from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm. Admission is \$19 for adults, \$17 for children 2-18 and senior citizens. Children under two are free. The Museum is located on Pittsburgh's historic North Side at 10 Children's Way, Pittsburgh, PA 15212. For more information, please call (412) 322-5058 or visit the Museum website, <u>www.pittsburghkids.org</u>.

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