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TAPE, TAPE AND MORE TAPE!

**Join Children's Museum of Pittsburgh for a Celebration of
All Things Tape from Jan 24 - May 10**

***Explore a Unique Playscape Made from Miles of Packing Tape
During the Opening Weekend Celebration, January 24-25***

PITTSBURGH (January 21, 2026)--Experience the wonder and excitement of an art installation made out of more than 515 rolls - that's 16+ miles! - of packing tape, TAPESCAPE. We invite visitors to climb, crawl and explore this unique landscape from 11:00 am – 4:00 pm every open day from January 24 through May 10 at Children's Museum of Pittsburgh.

Visitors can walk, roll and slide through the twisting tunnels and curving paths of TAPESCAPE, created by architect/artist Eric Lennartson from packing tape stretched over a steel frame. The one-of-a-kind installation relies on the tensile strength of the tape to create a full-body, multisensory experience that engages children's (and adult's) curiosity while meeting the need for fun, large-muscle activities that are hard to come by at this time of year.

"Every Tapescape sculpture is unique. Being inspired by Pittsburgh, Eric designed this version with bridges, tunnels and an inclined slide," says Anne Fullenkamp, Senior Director of Creative Experiences. "It's exciting to see how this complex structure has been formed in just a matter of days."

Children's Museum of Pittsburgh staff built TAPESCAPE under the instruction of Lennartson, with help from volunteers from PNC, Duquesne Light and Highmark Wholecare.

Opening weekend of TAPESCAPE, January 24 – 25, will also include these activities:

- Tape obstacle course to maneuver

- Making tape creations and a tape-resist design on clay in the Art Studio
- Duct tape wallet workshops in MuseumLab at 1:00 and 3:00 pm
- Working collaboratively on a colorful mini tape artwork

TAPESCAPE will be open for shoes-off, socks-on play from 11:00 am – 4:00 pm during all open days at the Children's Museum through May 10, 2026. Throughout the exhibit's run, tape will take over in the Children's Museum, with many different types of tape featured in museum activities and programs, including:

- Copper tape circuit making, Jan 29 – Feb 10
- Audiotape sculpture making, Feb 12 - 20
- Tape shadow puppets and luminaries, Feb 12 - 24
- Tape collagraph printmaking, Feb 26 – March 10
- Tape Olympics, date TBD
- Tape fashions, date TBD
- Bridge building with tape, date TBD

In the coming weeks, visitors will also be able to see 3-D art installations made from tape from artists Jessie Glaser, Jason McKoy and Patrick Schmidt, as well as a collection of 2-D art made of various kinds of tape. Some of the featured artists will offer workshops related to their art making and media for visitors to create alongside them.

This is the fourth iteration of **TAPESCAPE** to be created at Children's Museum of Pittsburgh by Lennartson, the first opening in 2013. He was inspired by art installations made out of tape by Numen/For Use, an architecture and industrial design collective based in the European Union. Lennartson has since created site-specific tapescapes at venues across the U.S. and around the world.

For more information about TAPESCAPE, please visit:
<https://pittsburghkids.org/exhibit/tapescape/>

For photos and video of TAPESCAPE, please visit: <https://bit.ly/pressroom26>

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Children's Museum of Pittsburgh is open Monday–Sunday from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm and closed on select Wednesdays. Admission is \$21 for adults, \$19 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 www.pittsburghkids.org.