

THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM AT SARATOGA

The Fab Lab is Now OPEN! 🖱️



This month marked an exciting milestone for The Museum as we celebrated the grand opening of The Fab Lab, a brand-new interactive exhibit made possible through the generous support of [GlobalFoundries](#).

Designed to spark curiosity and inspire future innovators, The Fab Lab introduces children and families to the fascinating world of semiconductor manufacturing through hands-on play. Visitors can discover how microchips are made, explore the role of cleanrooms and silicon wafers, and learn how semiconductors power the technology they use every day. Along the way, young learners are encouraged to think critically,

solve problems, and imagine themselves as tomorrow's scientists, engineers, and innovators.

The Museum extends its sincere gratitude to GlobalFoundries for their partnership and commitment to expanding STEM learning opportunities for children in our community. The Museum also thanks everyone who joined us for the ribbon-cutting celebration and helped make the day so special.

The Museum looks forward to welcoming families into The Fab Lab and watching creativity and innovation come to life for years to come! 🙌

[Check out news coverage here.](#)

Thank You to Our Friends at Bring on the Spectrum (BOTS)! ♥



The Museum would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our friends at [Bring on the Spectrum \(BOTS\)](#) for their generous support through their *Peace and Quiet* initiative! ♥ Thanks to their kindness, our sensory space has been enhanced with a variety of calming resources designed to help children and families feel comfortable, supported, and welcome during their visit.

Creating an inclusive environment where every child can learn, explore, and have fun at their own pace is an important part of the Museum's mission, and partnerships like this help make that possible.

We're incredibly grateful to BOTS for helping create a space where all families can feel at home. Thank you for making a meaningful difference in the experiences of our visitors!

BOTS' mission is to support individuals with opportunities to achieve their best quality of life as a respected member of the Capital Region. They achieve this through social, recreational, and lifestyle activities for individuals of all ages and abilities. [To learn more about BOTS, click here.](#)

Out & About With The Museum

Learning through play doesn't stop at the Museum doors! Summer has kept Museum staff on the move — from outreach programs at libraries throughout the area to summer meal sites, here's just a small glimpse at where we've been this summer, and where you can catch us next!

For more information on The Summer Meals Collaborative, [click here.](#)

Saratoga Summer Meals



Museum Educator Caroline recently brought hands-on Museum fun to the Free Summer Meals program in Saratoga Springs! If you missed the visit, there's another chance to join in.

The Museum will be back on Friday, July 17, at 10:45 a.m. at the Saratoga Springs Rec Center and at 12:30 p.m. at West Side Rec!

Schenectady County Summer Meals



The Museum also joined the Schenectady Summer Meals Block Parties, bringing hands-on activities to families in the community!

If you missed us this week, there's so many more opportunities this summer! Make sure to catch us next on Wednesday, July 29, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Central Park in Schenectady.

Library Summer Outreach



Deputy Director Briana recently visited Margaret Reaney Memorial Library in St. Johnsville, where children dug into the fascinating world of fossils through a hands-on outreach program!

Interested in bringing a Museum Outreach Program to your school, library, or community organization? [Learn more here.](#)

Be sure to keep an eye on your local library's event calendar to see if the Museum will be visiting your community next!

Welcome to the Museum, Brian! 😊



A new face has joined the Museum — welcome Brian, Development Manager! We asked Brian a handful of questions for your chance to get to know him better.

Tell us a little bit about yourself!

"I am a girl dad! I have two daughters, ages 9 and 11. I have lived in Saratoga Springs since 2003 and love this city."

What do you look forward to helping accomplish at the Museum?

"I'm looking forward to helping foster a safe, fun, and educational opportunity for the kids of Saratoga, surrounding areas, and beyond."

If you were a kid visiting the Museum, which exhibit would you spend the most time in?

"As a kid visiting the Museum, I would definitely be drawn to the interactive activities provided through the education programming. Also, the bank, grocery store, and doctors office — those were my kid's favorites when they were younger."

Why do you think museums like ours are important for children and families?

"As a parent, the Children's Museum at Saratoga was a very regular stop for us. It give families an opportunity to learn through play, interact with their community, and provide valuable resources to many that may not otherwise have them."

What did you want to be when you grew up?

"When I was younger, I wanted to play shortstop for the Yankees. Sadly, Derek Jeter made that impossible for me."

Favorite children's book?

"My favorite children's book is *Where the Wild Things Are*" by Maurice Sendak."

Blue Star Museums | A Summer of Impact



The Museum continues to be honored to welcome military families through the [Blue Star Museums](#) initiative and our Veterans Buy One, Get One admission offer. As the summer season continues, these initiatives have already provided countless opportunities for families to spend quality time together through play, discovery, and learning.

From local families to those visiting the Capital Region, it's been inspiring to see so many children exploring exhibits, creating memories, and experiencing all that CMAS has to offer. Every visit is a reminder of the importance of making hands-on learning accessible to those who have served our country.

"This is great that you offer this." said a recent visitor. "I have a friend who is active-duty as well! I can't wait to let her know."

While the program is not externally funded, it's one of the many ways The Museum fulfills its mission of making learning through play accessible to as many families as possible. [If you'd like to help support Museum access to military and veteran families, please click here.](#)

Thank you for helping ensure the Museum remains a place where every family can learn and play. 💙

[Support the Museum's Blue Star Initiative](#)

July 15-31 Calendar is available to download [HERE](#).

JULY

We are open
Tues-Sat, 9am-4pm
Sundays, 1pm-4pm



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
19 OPEN 1-4 2:00-3:00 Make It!	20 CLOSED	21 9:30 & 1:30 Tuesdays for Tots 11:00 & 3:00 Financial Literacy 12:00 From Head to Toe	22 9:30 - 11:30 1:30 - 3:30 Art Adventures 12:00 Storybook Fun	23 9:30 & 1:30 Storytime 11:00 & 3:00 Sounds Fishy 12:00 Garden Club	24 9:30 & 1:30 Science Explorers 11:00 & 3:00 Outdoor Expedition 12:00 Animal Odyssey	25 9:30 & 1:30 11:00 & 3:00 STEAM Saturday 
26 OPEN 1-4 10:00am-12:00pm Sensory Sunday	27 CLOSED	28 9:30 & 1:30 Tuesdays for Tots 11:00 & 3:00 Read, Write, and Draw 12:00 From Head to Toe	29 9:30 - 11:30 1:30 - 3:30 Art Adventures 12:00 Storybook Fun	30 9:30 & 1:30 Storytime 11:00 & 3:00 Magical Math 12:00 Garden Club	31 10:00 Does Money Grow On Trees? - Broadview FCU 1:30 Science Explorers 11:00 & 3:00 Create! 12:00 Animal Odyssey	



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- The Museum utilizes donated funds to operate. Membership, admission, and programs pay for some of the budget, but the rest is funded through generosity. If you love the Museum, please be generous!
- Your donation directly provides the children of the Capital Region with excellent educational programs, interactive exhibits, and wonderful staff members who create an engaging and fun learning environment.
- Your donation allows the Museum to make improvements where they are needed so that your children and all the other children who visit have the best possible experience.

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