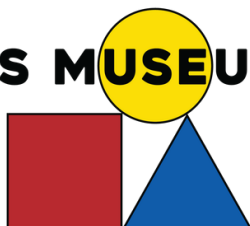


CHILDREN'S MUSEUM of the Shoals



July 2026 Newsletter

CMS MOMENTS!!!

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Welcome Harper Thread

We are thrilled to welcome Harper Thead, Miss Falcon Beauty 2026, as the Volunteer Ambassador for the Children's Museum of the Shoals!

Harper represents everything we love to see in our young leaders—kindness, service, enthusiasm, and a heart for her community. As our Volunteer Ambassador, she will help promote the mission of the museum, encourage youth involvement, and support special events and programs throughout the year.

We are excited to have Harper as part of the CMS family and look forward to seeing the positive impact she will make as she inspires others to learn, serve, and dream big!

Please join us in congratulating Harper on this special role!



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
HOURS.....TUESDAY-SATURDAY, 9AM-4PM PHONE NUMBER.....(256) 284-7107 WEBSITE.....WWW.CMSHOALS.ORG EMAIL.....INFO@CMSHOALS.ORG			CMS Arts & Crafts 1 10:30-11:30 Curiosity Club 1:00-2:00	CMS Arts & Crafts 2 10:30-11:30 Curiosity Club 1:00-2:00	Bubble Time 3 11:00-12:00 Curiosity Club 1:00-2:00	Happy Independence Day! 4 Puppet Play 11:00-11:30
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NEW HOURS!
Tuesday - Saturday
9:00-4:00

ART CLASS
with
Ms. Laren

Call us at 256-284-7107



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New Programs

Curiosity Club

JULY SCHEDULE

7/1-7/3	Stars & Stripes Spectacular Wild World Safari Tie-Dye Craze	Patriotic Sensory Bin, 4th of July Craft, Fizzy Fireworks, Ice cream Social Safari Sensory Bin, Animal Craft, Activity sheets, Safari Book Tie-Dye shirts, Sidewalk chalk/ Bubbles, Mini rainbow cupcakes
7/8-7/10	Farmers Market Construction Zone: Let's Build! Superhero Adventure	Farm Sensory Bin, Watermelon Craft, FreezeGame, Sorting game, Watermelon Snack, Book Construction Sensory Bin, Free Building, Construction craft, Book Superhero Sensory Bin, Mask/ Shield Craft, Music/ Power Game/ Villain Game, Cupcakes/ Ranch!
7/15-7/17	SeaShell Shore! Forest Adventure Slime Sensation	SeaShell/Sand Sensory Bin, Seashell Crafts, Game, Activity Sheets, Book, Ice Cream Nature Sensory Bin, Rock Painting/ Flower Art, Activity Sheets, Trail Mix Slime Making, Slime Activity Sheets, Color Book, Popsicles
7/22-7/24	Butterfly Garden Ocean Waves Dino Land	Butterfly Sensory Bin, Coffee Filter Craft, Pollination Relay, Butterfly Life Cycle Book Ocean Sensory Bin, Ocean Craft, Magnetic Fishing, Beach Snack Dinosaur Sensory Bin, Dino Crafts, Mini Volcanoes, Book
7/29-7/31	Fairy Tale Kingdom Pond Exploration Big Top Carnival	Princess Sensory Bin, Crown/Wand Craft, Music & Princess Song Dance, Cupcakes & Lemonade Pond Sensory Bin, Frog/ Duck/ Turtle Craft, Lily Pad Frog Table, Book Carnival Sensory Bin, Balloon Art & Animal Mask, Activity Sheets, Ring Toss/Spin Game, Popcorn/Ice cream/ Chocolate Frosting

Call 256-284-7107
To book your spot today!
\$5 per day

EVERY TUESDAY

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

LEGO LEAGUE

AT CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF THE SHOALS

BUILD Amazing creations and ideas!
CREATE Use your imagination and be creative!
EXPLORE Discover new skills and challenge yourself!
IMAGINE Work together and have fun!

ALL AGES WELCOME!
INCLUDED WITH MUSEUM ADMISSION!
BRICKS PROVIDED!

Join us for hands-on LEGO fun featuring creative building challenges, teamwork, and endless imagination!

Children's Museum of the Shoals
2810 Darby Dr.
Florence, AL 35630
(256) 284-7107
www.cmshoals.org

PUPPET PLAY

AT THE TREEHOUSE

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF THE SHOALS

Tuesday's and Every other Saturday
11:00am-11:30am
Starting 6/24 & 6/27

BRING YOUR LITTLE ONES FOR STORIES, LAUGHTER, AND PUPPET FUN!

FUN MAGICAL THEATRICAL WHIMSICAL
INCLUDED WITH MUSEUM ADMISSION

Birthday Parties

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM of the Shoals

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

MADE AWESOME!

Give your child a birthday they'll never forget!
Hands-on fun, exciting exhibits, and memories that last a lifetime.
Play. Explore. Celebrate!

BIRTHDAY PARTY PACKAGES

- UP TO 15 CHILDREN and their parents/guardians
- \$300 MEMBERS
\$350 NON-MEMBERS
- \$50 DEPOSIT (non-refundable)
- ADDITIONAL GUESTS \$10 EACH

AVAILABLE TIMES:
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

BOOK TODAY!
256-284-7107

Children's Museum of the Shoals
2810 Darby Drive

FOLLOW US!

Memberships

JOIN TODAY!



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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIPS

Memberships to Children's Museum Shoals are a great way to invest in family fun and in the community.

Family Membership	Single Parent Membership	Grandparent - In Town Membership	Grandparent - Out of Town Membership
\$100 a year	\$75 a year	\$75 a year	\$60 a year
- Unlimited FREE admission for one year for two adults and all children in the immediate household - Reduced rates on birthday parties, special events and summer camps - Monthly calendar of events	- Unlimited FREE admission for one parent and all children of that parent in the immediate household - Reduced rates on birthday parties, special events and summer camps - Monthly calendar of events	- Unlimited FREE admission for local grandparents and grandchildren who reside inside of the Shoals area - Reduced rates on birthday parties, special events and summer camps - Monthly calendar of events	- Unlimited FREE admission for local grandparents and grandchildren who reside outside of the Shoals area - Reduced rates on birthday parties, special events and summer camps - Monthly calendar of events

Birthday Parties

CMS is the perfect place to host your child's next birthday party!

Available Times:

10:00-12:00 & 1:00-3:00

Party Information:

\$50 non-refundable deposit

\$300 for members & \$350 non-members

- Party Room
- Up to 15 children and their parents/guardians
- Each additional guest \$10 per child

Party Rules:

Parties last for 2 hours. A \$50 non-refundable deposit is due upon booking. The balance is due the day of the party. Adults are required to stay with their children at all times.

Field Trips

Come explore, create, play and learn at CMS. Our Field Trip Coordinator will ensure that your field trip will be a memorable and educational experience. The Alabama Course of Study is for our venues and activities.

Please contact our Field Trip Coordinator, Sion Lewey at (256) 284-7107 to schedule a field trip.

Groups

Group discounts are available for groups of 10 or more.

\$1 off general Museum admission.

Please call (256) 284-7107 to confirm your groups date and time that you plan to visit.

Admission

General admission is \$10 per person. 18 months and younger are free.

Hours of Operation

Monday - Saturday 9:00am-4:00pm

2810 DARBY DRIVE, FLORENCE, AL 356330
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**SAVE
the DATE**

New Event

October 17th, 2026

Singin' River Brewing Company

6:30-9:30



Tickets available soon!

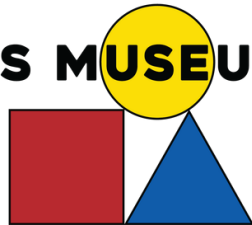
The Winners Are....

Theodore "Theo" Roosevelt

Congratulations Teddy Bonds for winning the naming contest for our new friend in the science room!



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We have the most talented kiddos in the shoals and they really showed us their creative side with this contest!!! Congratulations friends!

Stop by CMS to collect your prizes!!



ELLA PATE



ELLA CARTER



EMILIA KIZER



Mr. Potato Head Contest

Thank you to everyone that participated! We have so many talented kiddos!!
Congratulations to the winners!





Through Their Eyes



Real moments. Real memories. Through the eyes of our little visitors.

William's Big Hello

The doors open...
and everyone knows
who has arrived.

HELLO!

William has a way of
making an entrance!
With his big smile and
cheerful greeting, he
walks in ready to say
hello to his friends and
the staff who know him
so well.

His big hello has become
one of those little moments
everyone looks forward to.
It's a reminder that the
museum is more than a
place to explore — it's a
place where friendships
are made, familiar faces
are welcomed, and every
child feels at home.

 A happy friend
of the museum,
age 5.



Little Voices, Big Smiles



“

For this little explorer,
the museum isn't just
a museum — it's her
very own

**Mickey Mouse
Clubhouse!**

With every visit comes
a new adventure,
a little imagination,
and lots of fun.

”

— A happy friend
of the museum, age 4.

