



MUSEUM OF DISCOVERY AND SCIENCE

# WHAT WILL YOU DISCOVER?

JANUARY - DECEMBER 2023



## March 4, 2023

**STEM Expo and  
Family Activities**

**FREE  
ADMISSION**

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# 2023 MODS AT-A-GLANCE



## WEEKEND EXPERIENCES AND SIGNATURE EVENTS

<b>JANUARY</b>		Creatures Big and Small
<b>FEBRUARY</b>		Engineering the Future
<b>MARCH</b>		26th Annual Wine, Spirits and Culinary Celebration   Visit Lauderdale Science Festival Science Under the Sun
<b>APRIL</b>		Build a Better World   Egg-splorations Holiday Egg Hunt   Ladybug Release
<b>MAY</b>		Asian-Pacific American Heritage Celebration   Eye of the Storm
<b>JUNE</b>		To Fly: From Sea to Sky   Fifth Annual Family Pride Celebration
<b>JULY</b>		Roar & Explore Dinosaurs
<b>AUGUST</b>		First Steps in Science - Grand Opening of the Discovery Spot!
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		Planes, Trains and Automobiles
<b>OCTOBER</b>		Planes, Trains and Automobiles Continues   Spooktacular Science Tricks and Treats
<b>NOVEMBER</b>		Slime Time
<b>DECEMBER</b>		Winter Wonderlab Science   Noon Year's Eve

## TRAVELING EXHIBITS

- | *Wild Kratts:  
Creature Power!*
- | *Expedition Dinosaur!*
- | *Thomas & Friends:  
Explore the Rails*



## STEM LEARNING SERIES

- | Sprouting STEM Early  
Childhood Learning Lab
- | Sensory-Friendly Sunday
- | Turtle Walks

## KIDS RULE AT MODS!

- | Kids Adventures After Dark
- | Camp Discovery



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at checkout at [mods.org/tickets](https://mods.org/tickets).

\*Valid for up to four guests through December 31, 2023. Cannot be combined with other offers and/or discounts. The Discovery Pass includes access to all Museum exhibits, demonstrations, wildlife, outdoor science park and one IMAX film (based on availability). Tickets are valid during normal Museum operating hours and do not apply to special events or member pricing. Please visit [mods.org](https://mods.org).

# WELCOME TO



## MUSEUM OF DISCOVERY AND SCIENCE

The mission of the Museum of Discovery and Science is connecting people to inspiring science.

### **MUSEUM HOURS - COME FOR A VISIT & A FILM!**

The Museum hours are Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Sunday from 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.

New enhanced member benefits include a free IMAX documentary film each time you visit.

The Discovery Spot (coming Summer 2023) will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. - 10 a.m. for exclusive Museum members hours.

The Museum is open every day of the year, except for three days: one day in the spring for our 26th Annual Wine, Spirits and Culinary Celebration (March 3, 2023), one day in the fall for our Annual Gala (October 21, 2023) and Thanksgiving (November 23, 2023.)

For prices and tickets, please visit [mods.org/tickets](https://mods.org/tickets)

### **AUTONATION® IMAX® THEATER HOURS**

Monday – Saturday, first show at 10 a.m. • Sunday, first show at 12 p.m.

The AutoNation® IMAX® 3D Theater is open every day of the year, except for Thanksgiving (November 23, 2023.)

For showtimes and tickets, please visit [mods.org/showtimes](https://mods.org/showtimes)

### **MODS WELCOMES INDIVIDUALS FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE**

to visit, experience, connect and discover inspiring science. We support all family structures, creating a culture of hospitality where diversity is celebrated. Our doors are open to everyone: individuals and families with physical, sensory and emotional disabilities and disparities in education, social and economic status. We embrace our truly diverse community of various ethnicities, religions, gender identification and sexual orientations. All are welcome here.

# AutoNation<sup>®</sup> IMAX<sup>®</sup> 3D Theater

at the MUSEUM OF DISCOVERY AND SCIENCE

## THE UNPARALLELED EXPERIENCE

Seeing a film in the AutoNation<sup>®</sup> IMAX<sup>®</sup> Theater is a superior viewing experience!

Our six-story-high screen is large enough to show a whale life-size. And bigger is only the beginning.

No other IMAX in south Florida even comes close in sound or resolution, providing an unparalleled experience for movie buffs and casual fans alike.

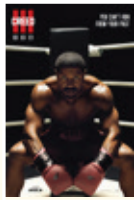
### Upcoming Hollywood IMAX Films\*



**Titanic  
Re-Release**  
February 10



**Ant-Man And  
The Wasp:  
Quantumania**  
February 17



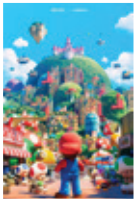
**Creed III**  
March 3



**Shazam! Fury  
Of The Gods**  
March 17



**John Wick:  
Chapter 4**  
March 24



**Super Mario  
Bros.**  
April 7



**Guardians Of  
The Galaxy  
Vol. 3**  
May 5



**Fast X**  
May 19



**The Little  
Mermaid**  
May 26



**Spider-Man:  
Across The  
Spideverse**  
June 2



**Transformers:  
Rise Of The  
Beasts**  
June 8



**The Flash**  
June 23



**Indiana  
Jones 5**  
June 30



**Mission  
Impossible:  
Dead Reckoning  
Part One**  
July 14



**Oppenheimer**  
July 21

### Upcoming IMAX Documentaries



**Flight of the  
Butterflies**  
Now Playing



**Secrets of  
the Seas**  
Now Playing



**Legends of  
the Enchanted  
Reef**  
Now Playing



**Serengeti**  
January 20



**Animal  
Kingdom**  
March 2023



**Jane Goodall's  
Reasons for  
Hope**  
September 2023

### MAX PACK

Purchase a MAX Pack of six Hollywood IMAX<sup>®</sup> film passes for \$80 to give as a gift or keep for yourself! This is perfect for the movie buffs in your family or friends circle. Enjoy popcorn on us with the purchase of a MAX Pack. (Expires one year from purchase.)



For the latest updates on film releases, dates and times, please visit [mods.org/showtimes](https://mods.org/showtimes).

\*Dates subject to release by Hollywood film producers.





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# CREATURES BIG & SMALL

WEEKENDS IN JANUARY

## Meet MODS Animal Ambassadors!

Saturdays: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. • Sundays: 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Does a turtle really come out of its shell or is it a myth? Can a snake unhinge its jaw? Visit the Museum to learn about these amazing creature powers and what they've contributed to our daily lives and more! Find out which animals have inspired some of the technology we use today.

- **Exhibits, Shows and Demos:** Explore the new exhibit *Wild Kratts: Creature Power!* and augmented reality *Panther Prowl*, presented by Florida Panthers Foundation.
- **Animal Encounters:** Meet our resident animal ambassadors and find out about their creature powers!
- **Watch an IMAX on the GIANT Screen:** *Secrets of the Seas*, *Legend of the Enchanted Reef*, *Beautiful Planet*, *Great Bear Rainforest* and more!
- **Career Connection:** Explore careers in life sciences, veterinary and more!

**Just for early learners (ages 0-6):** Experience animals from around the globe and create your own habitats. Learn about the rainforest, the Antarctic and the Australian Outback Desert.

*FREE with Museum admission.*

**To register, please visit [mods.org/tickets](https://mods.org/tickets)**

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MEMBERSHIP

**MODS Membership =  
MORE Discovery,  
MORE Science,  
MORE Savings!**

## THERE'S A MUSEUM MEMBERSHIP JUST RIGHT FOR YOU!

A MODS membership means a full year of FREE admission, scientific discovery and other special benefits.  
Family membership levels start at \$100.\*

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Visit [mods.org/member](https://mods.org/member)

\*Based on membership level.



## Find Your Inner Strength!

January 20 – May 7

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Based on the popular PBS Kids series, *Wild Kratts: Creature Power!* is all about discovering wild animals and their "creature powers." The exhibition features animal experts Chris and Martin Kratt and a cast of heroes and villains familiar to fans. Using Wild Kratts technology and the powers of science and collaboration, you will help the team solve problems and rescue animals from the villains!

The creature adventure begins at the Wild Kratts HQ and continues through five distinct habitats.

- Slip through the underbrush like a jaguar, swing through trees like a monkey, ride a slide like an emperor penguin and hang on a rope like a sloth in the tropical rainforest.
- Learn about Australian kangaroos, platypuses and koalas.
- Become an Antarctic penguin and slide off an ice shelf, peer underwater and balance on an ice floe.
- Then, get a new perspective on your own neighborhood as you "miniaturize" to go eye-to-eye with beetles and birds, see flowers as butterflies do, catch lunch like a bullfrog and create a creature chorus.
- Watch an IMAX on the GIANT Screen: *Flight of the Butterflies*, *Secrets of the Sea*, *Legend of the Enchanted Reef*, *Serengeti* (Opening January 20) and more.

*Exhibit is FREE with Museum admission.*

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# ENGINEERING THE FUTURE



WEEKENDS IN FEBRUARY

## ***Build with Us!***

**Saturdays: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. • Sundays: 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.**

What does it take to build a towering skyscraper? What forces, like wind, do you need to consider when constructing a large building or a long bridge? Do you use the strongest, heaviest and most rigid materials, or ones that flex and bend? Come to the Museum to discover some answers to these questions and see how you can engineer your own kind of superstructure! Participate in the LEGO® program, Build the Change, as a powerful way to express hopes and dreams for the future with LEGO® bricks and other creative materials, plus your own imagination.

- **Animal Encounters:** Meet our resident animals and learn what types of structures they can make on large and small scales.
- **Watch an IMAX on the GIANT Screen:** *Dream Big, Hubble* and more!
- **Career Connection:** Explore careers in engineering, architecture, city planning and more!

**Just for early learners (ages 0-6):** Become engineers by building bridges using LEGO® DUPLO® Building Blocks, creating structures with magnetic tiles, and using various materials to experiment with how high you can build a tower.

*FREE with Museum admission.*

**To register, please visit [mods.org/tickets](https://mods.org/tickets)**





**CHEERS TO 26 YEARS!** The Museum of Discovery & Science will host its 26th Annual Bank of America Wine, Spirits and Culinary Celebration, where guests will dine, drink and discover in a venue like no other.

**WHEN:** March 3, 2023

**WHERE:** Museum of Discovery and Science

The event's legendary Grand Tasting will take place from 6:30–10 p.m. VIP access starts at 5:30 p.m. Highlights include delectable fare from south Florida's leading restaurants and a vast array of flavorful wines and spirits from around the world, as well as local craft beers.

#### HOST PACKAGES:

- **\$2,750** Group VIP Platinum Package (12 people)
- **\$1,000** Group Grand Tasting Package (10 people)
- **\$300** Individual VIP Platinum Ticket\* – Includes early admission to the event beginning at 5:30 p.m. and access to the Platinum Lounge
- **\$150** Individual Grand Tasting Ticket\*

*\*Save 10% on "Early Bird" individual Platinum and Grand Tasting tickets through February 14 with promo code early10*

*For sponsorship opportunities or additional information, please call 954.713.0918 or email [booking@mods.org](mailto:booking@mods.org).*

**For tickets, please visit [modsevents.org](http://modsevents.org)**

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**Saturday, March 4 • 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.**

Get connected to inspiring science! This FREE family event has something for everyone.

- **See Our Scientastic Headliners**

- *Spheres Bubble Show*, a fusion of art, science and magic
- *The King of Random*, a popular YouTuber who finds out how things work

- **Discover Awesome Activities**

- **LEGO® Build the Change:** Use LEGO® bricks to design solutions that solve environmental challenges for the Everglades, solutions to climate resilience and biodiversity allowing voices to be shared with leaders around the world.
- **Maker and STEMobile Challenges for All Ages and Abilities:** Participate in sustainability challenges, from engineering a scribble bot using circuitry powered by solar energy in *The Hangar Makerspace* to building a tower that can withstand extreme weather at the MODS STEMobile.
- **Build a Better World Challenge:** Meet the finalists! Broward County students ages 12-18 were challenged to design inventions that solve some of the most pressing issues of climate change and resilience in South Florida.
- **STEM Exhibits, Demos, Live Show and More All-Day Long!**

- **Catch an IMAX on the GIANT Screen**

- **Science on Screen Environmental Film Series:** Watch award-winning documentary films that will transport you from the ancient past to the most remote parts of our world today.

**FREE  
ADMISSION**

**For a complete lineup, to register, become a partner or exhibitor,  
please visit [scienceunderthesun.org](http://scienceunderthesun.org)**

All month long, visit the Museum for Science Under the Sun Weekends every Saturday and Sunday in March!

# BUILD a better WORLD

WEEKENDS IN APRIL

## How Do You Build a Better World?

Saturdays: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. • Sundays: 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Start by learning about it! Come to the Museum and learn about the amazing ecosystems that surround our coast, like coral reefs, mangroves and the Everglades. You can meet some of the animals that call Florida home and why it's important to protect them and their habitats. See what you can do to help make the world a better place for everyone! Activities in The Hangar Makerspace and floor activations include:

- LEGO® Build the Change – Design a solution to protect endangered species and upload your creation to the LEGO® Build the Change website to share your ideas with the world!
- LEGO® Build a Better Bus Stop – Use LEGO® bricks to design a more socially equitable and environmentally friendly bus stop.
- LEGO® Eco House – Use LEGO® bricks to build an Eco House.

*FREE with Museum admission.*

**To register, please visit [mods.org/tickets](https://mods.org/tickets)**



## Science That Tastes Good!

April 8, 9, 15, 16, 22 and 23

Saturdays: 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. - 30-minute tour;  
15-minute Q&A after tour

Sundays: 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. - 30-minute tour;  
15-minute Q&A after tour

Take a tour of the MODS Food Forest to learn about sustainable gardening and permaculture. Learn how to start your own at-home food forest by identifying plants that are adapted to thrive in our tropical climate.

*FREE with Museum admission.*

**To register, please visit [mods.org/tickets](https://mods.org/tickets)**

*Tastings of produce from the MODS Food Forest depend on availability.*



## Annual Egg Hunt

**Saturday, April 8**

Get ready for an egg-citing time of the year! Enjoy a fun event of various egg engineering challenges,

like the famous egg drop and having an egg remain intact after it is launched into the air! Learn some of the amazing physics concepts behind these activities. Meet one of our resident rabbits and other wildlife too!

**TIME:** 8:30 a.m. — Check-in for ages 2-5 • 9 a.m. — Check-in for ages 6-10  
9 a.m. — ages 2-3 • 9:15 a.m. — ages 4-5 • 9:30 a.m. — ages 6-7 • 9:45 a.m. — ages 8-10

**PRICE:** Museum members: \$10 per child • Non-members: \$30 per child (includes Museum admission)  
Accompanying adults pay regular Museum admission.

*Space is limited. Advanced Registration Required.*

**To register, please visit [mods.org/eggsplorations](https://mods.org/eggsplorations)**

## Learn About the Role Ladybugs and Insects Play in the Environment!

**April 29 and 30**

**12 p.m. and 3 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday**



During the release, you will learn about the role insects, especially ladybugs, play in the environment and how that has an impact on us. Ladybugs will be released in our Food Forest.

*FREE with Museum admission.*

**To register, please visit [mods.org/ladybug](https://mods.org/ladybug)**



**Enjoy a Day of  
Cultural Festivities!**

**Saturday May 6 • 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.**



**ASIAN-PACIFIC  
AMERICAN HERITAGE  
CELEBRATION**

Celebrate Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month at MODS! Observe the geology of the many islands found in the Pacific. Learn about different arts that are part of the Asian-Pacific American culture. Explore the science of volcanoes and islands and participate in a shark tooth dig!

- **Animal Encounters:** Meet our resident animals and discover which ones come from the Pacific.
- **Watch an IMAX on the GIANT Screen:** *Flight of the Butterflies*, *Secrets of the Sea*, *Legend of the Enchanted Reef* and more!
- **Career Connections:** Explore careers in the environment, marine, education and more!

**Just for early learners (ages 0-6):** Join us in celebrating Asian-Pacific American Heritage through dancing, movement and culture-related activities. Be a part of this wonderful culture!

*FREE with Museum admission.*

**To register, please visit [mods.org/tickets](https://mods.org/tickets)**



**Dig Deep to Find your Inner  
Paleontologist**

**May 19 – September 4**

**Presented by**

**Joe DiMaggio**  **Children's Hospital®**

Travel back in time with Expedition: Dinosaur! Experience engaging, interactive, life-like animatronic dinosaurs and exciting educational prehistoric content through cutting-edge technology. Learn about a wide variety of dinosaur species and the adaptations that allowed them to survive while stepping into the shoes of an early paleontologist to discover how fossils were unearthed. The exhibit features life-size, life-like animatronic dinosaurs, replicas, artifacts and interactive displays.

*FREE with Museum admission.*

**To register, please visit [mods.org/tickets](https://mods.org/tickets)**







**May 20 • 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.**

MODS is teaming up with FIU International Hurricane Research Center and the Florida Division of Emergency Management for one of our most popular annual events! Hurricane season is around the corner. Future storm chasers, meteorologists and building engineers will learn all about this natural phenomenon and how to be prepared for anything nature throws our way! Test building skills against strong winds, learn about the water cycle and explore our *Storm Center* exhibit.

- **Exhibits, Shows and Demos:** Attend the What's Up with Weather? demonstration to explore the great water cycle and its significance in Earth's weather patterns and then make-and-take structures to weather the storm at the Windy Towers station.
- **Animal Encounters:** Meet our resident animals and learn how they protect themselves during these intense storms.
- **Watch an IMAX on the GIANT Screen:** *Flight of the Butterflies*, *Secrets of the Sea*, *Legend of the Enchanted Reef*, *Arctic: Our Frozen Planet* and more!
- **Career Connections:** Explore careers in healthcare, environment, education, aviation, technology, space exploration and more!

**Just for early learners (ages 0-6):** Dive into learning about how a hurricane is formed and experience its effects, make a hurricane in a bottle and test structures to see what can withstand hurricane-force winds.

**FREE admission day.**

**To register, please visit [mods.org/eyeofthestorm](https://mods.org/eyeofthestorm)**

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# TO FLY

FROM SEA TO SKY

WEEKENDS IN JUNE

***Dive Into the World Around Us!***

**Saturdays: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. • Sundays: 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.**

From gliders and airships to drones and spacecraft, humans have developed many ways to experience the power of flight. Where can we go from here? Come check out some of the latest flight technology we have today and test your engineering skills to imagine and design a flightcraft of the future! Then, enjoy everything under the sea at MODS! Experience the power of ocean waves, the many amazing diverse habitats contained in the sea and the astonishing creatures that call these places their home.

- **Exhibits, Shows and Demos:** Explore our *To Fly* Aviation Hall including *The Hangar* aviation-themed makerspace, Fly Zone, outdoor Physics Science Park, *FPL Storm Center* and *Design! Build! Play! Keva!* Enter into MODS' 7D Theater to view the film, ***Inspiration Takes Flight***. Make-and-take your own masterpiece from recycled trash from our Beach Clean-ups, meet undersea critters in our *Florida Ecoscapes* exhibit, and learn all about ocean conservation and more in our Save Our Seas Foundation Distinguished Speaker Series.
- **Animal Encounters:** Learn about animals that take flight, such as bats and insects, and creatures that can adapt to live in different environments!
- **Watch an IMAX on the GIANT Screen:** *Flight of the Butterflies*, *Secrets of the Sea*, *Legend of the Enchanted Reef*, *Arctic: Our Frozen Planet* and more!
- **Career Connections:** Explore careers in aviation such as aerospace engineers, pilots, mechanics and aviation technicians and all who help planes take flight.

**Just for early learners (ages 0-6):** Experience the magic of flight by creating your own biplane, rocket, and parachute. Learn how different objects glide through the air and participate in aviation challenges. Observe different marine life, dig for shells, create recycled masterpieces and experience the never-ending motion of the ocean.

*FREE with Museum admission.*

**To register, please visit [mods.org/tickets](https://mods.org/tickets)**



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# FIFTH ANNUAL FAMILY PRIDE CELEBRATION

***A Day of Family Fun***

**June 24 • 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.**

Celebrate Pride with MODS! Our day-long event is filled with colorful fun and educational activities for everyone. Participate in a Pride Parade through our exhibits! Join us in our rainbow science lab with a make-and-take Pride flag, instantly drying tie-dyed T-shirts (purchase a white shirt for \$5 or bring one to use) and see a special Pride KaBOOM show!

- **Exhibits, Shows and Demos:** Participate in the rainbow science lab and make-and-take a Pride flag, prisms and tie-dyed t-shirt! See an explosion of colors with a special Pride KaBOOM! show and attend storytime with Misty Eyez Alicea!
- **Animal Encounters:** Meet our colorful resident animal ambassadors!
- **Career Connections:** See partners and friends of the LGBTQ+ community in action.

**Just for early learners (ages 0-6):** Celebrate Pride with storytime with Misty Eyez Alicea, dance and shimmy to music and bubbles, and create Pride rainbow activities.

**Cost:** FREE for members and City of Fort Lauderdale residents with proof of address at the box office.

**Non-members:** \$5 General Museum admission

*FREE with Museum admission.*

**To register, please visit [mods.org/2023pride](https://mods.org/2023pride)**

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## Did You Know that New Dinosaur Discoveries Continue Even Today?

**Saturdays: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. • Sundays: 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.**

How do we find fossils? Who takes care of them after they are discovered? Travel back in time, and discover what happened to our dinosaur friends, and how they evolved into the animals we know today. Step into the shoes of a paleontologist and learn all about how to unearth dinosaur fossils! Meet today's dinosaurs in an exciting animal encounter!

- **Exhibits, Shows and Demos:** Future paleontologists will excavate artifacts just like a paleontologist in the field in the Dino Dig Pit. Assess evidence by chipping away fossils with a chocolate chip cookie dig and make-and-take a shark tooth necklace. Explore *Expedition: Dinosaur* traveling exhibit, travel back in time to discover all about fossils and dinosaurs through MODS' dino-mite stage show and go on Rock Talks, a guided tour with our MODS' in-house geologist.
- **Animal Encounters:** Meet our resident animals and see how they are related to ancient dinosaurs.
- **Watch an IMAX on the GIANT Screen:** *Ancient Caves, Dinosaurs of Antarctica, Dino Dana The Movie, Secrets of the Sea, Arctic: Our Frozen Planet* and more!
- **Career Connection:** Explore how paleontologists study ancient life, from dinosaurs to prehistoric plants, mammals, fish, insects, fungi and microbes.

**Just for early learners (ages 0-6):** Experience what life was like with dinosaurs. Create Dinosaur Fossils, hatch a Dinosaur Egg and make Dinosaur Puppets to interact with our traveling exhibit.

*FREE with Museum admission.*

**To register, please visit [mods.org/tickets](https://mods.org/tickets)**

## Experience Our New Exhibit, Discovery Spot, With Hands-On Early Childhood Activities And Experiments.

**Saturdays: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. • Sundays: 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.**

Experience our new exhibit, the Discovery Spot, with hands-on early childhood activities and experiments. Take in the wonders of being a scientist, learn what animals call Florida their home and even how we get our citrus juice! Explore the life of a veterinarian, make your drawings come to life and walk up to the cloud climber to go from the Ocean to the Air.

And don't think we forgot about our scientists older than 6! Come visit us in *The Hangar Makerspace* for activities geared to our more experienced discoverers!

Get a membership and experience the *Discovery Spot* (coming Summer 2023) open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. - 10 a.m. exclusive for Museum members hours.

- **Exhibits, Shows and Demos:** Step into our portable planetarium for up-close viewing of *One World One Sky*.
- **Animal Encounters:** Meet our resident otters, alligators, native snakes and painted turtles that call MODS home.
- **Watch an IMAX on the GIANT Screen:** *Legend of the Enchanted Reef, National Parks Adventures, Pandas* and more!
- **Career Connections:** Explore careers in education, marine science and more!

*FREE with Museum admission.*

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# New Exhibit Blooming Soon



Presented by JM Family Enterprises

The Discovery Center exhibit is closing on January 2, and reopening as the Discovery Spot in summer 2023. Our youngest visitors can continue to enjoy our many other Museum experiences.

## Let's Grow!



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## Explore the Fun Behind Planes, Trains and Automobiles!

Saturdays: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. • Sundays: 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.

How do planes fly? How do trains stop? What technology change took us from steam engines to super-fast electric trains? Discover the way gears turn and wheels roll!



- **Exhibits, Shows and Demos:** Build and race your own high-speed solar car to explore the unlimited potential of solar power!
- **Animal Encounters:** Explore MODS' animal residents in motion!
- **Watch an IMAX on the GIANT Screen:** Extend your visit with an IMAX documentary.
- **Career Connections:** Explore careers in aviation, technology, space exploration, education and more!

**Just for early learners (ages 0-6):** Create trains, planes and trucks and experience how they work. Join Thomas and his friends to sort and identify shapes and complete engineering obstacles.

*FREE with Museum admission.*

**To register, please visit [mods.org/tickets](https://mods.org/tickets)**



## Calling All Conductors! September 15 – January 15, 2024

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Children's Hospital

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Climb aboard and celebrate the newest traveling exhibit as the world's most beloved #1 blue engine rolls into MODS. Help Thomas the Tank Engine be a "really useful engine" as you explore the sights and sounds of the island of Sodor, including Knapford Station and Sodor Steamworks. Learn valuable STEM skills throughout the exhibit by building an intricate wooden train set, assembling a large train and navigating through Thomas' imaginary world. All aboard!

*Exhibit is FREE with Museum admission.*

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## Tricks and Treats Weekend!

Saturday: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday: 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Calling all ghouls and goblins! Families will see how the creatures we may call “creepy” or “crawly” (snakes, lizards, tarantulas and scorpions) play an important role in the world we live in and

learn what we can do to protect them. Using engineering skills and the engineering design process in *The Hangar*, MODS’ Makerspace, guests will construct a spooky structure using recycled and reusable materials and learn how to create a haunted house setting with dry ice and soap! It’s sure to be a spooktacular time!

In the Sprouting STEM Early Childhood Learning Lab, little pumpkins will make-and-take creepy crawly spiders and dance to the monster mash music time.

*FREE with Museum admission.*

To register, please visit [mods.org/tickets](https://mods.org/tickets)



## Ooey - Goopy Science!

Saturdays: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. • Sundays: 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.

It’s Slime Time at MODS! Soothe your stress, stimulate your senses and have some messy science fun with the Museum’s signature slime bar. Customize your concoction and enjoy it as a make-and-take after your visit!

- **Exhibits, Shows and Demos:** Become a super slimeologist for the ooey-goopy Slime Lab. Make-and-take slime after learning the best techniques in our slime-making workshops. Then take a picture in front of our slime wall, learn how to make slime bubbles and see who can get the longest stretch out of their super slimy goo.
- **Animal Encounters:** Learn about different slimy creatures, including slugs, frogs and many others.
- **Watch an IMAX on the GIANT Screen:** *Animal Kingdom*, *Secrets of the Sea*, *Legend of the Enchanted Reef* and more!
- **Career Connection:** Become a chemist or a chef by following a recipe, seeing a reaction and giving it your own flair.

*FREE with Museum admission.*

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# OH, WHAT FUN! NORTH POLE PAJAMA PARTY



**DECEMBER 9 & 16  
REGISTER TODAY**

**December 9 & 16**

**9 a.m. – 11 a.m. • Film starts at 10 a.m.**

Join us for south Florida's favorite family tradition by wearing your pajamas or elf costumes for this festive event! Enjoy all Museum exhibits with a holiday science show, test your aim at our tropical "snowball" throwing station, make-and-take your own snow globe and build your own snowman. Admission includes an invitation to see *The Polar Express* in the AutoNation® IMAX® Theater. The film will start at 10 a.m.

- Pen a letter to Santa.
- Pop bubbles in our bubble zone!
- Make-and-take a snow globe.
- See a snowy liquid nitrogen show and take aim with snowball target practice!
- Enjoy marshmallows frozen in liquid nitrogen swimming in hot chocolate!
- Hunker down for holiday storytime!
- Then, march to our IMAX and enjoy a viewing of *The Polar Express*!

**Members:** \$30 per person (adult or child)

**Non-members:** \$40 per person (adult or child)

Price includes all activities, Museum exploration, movie and commemorative bell.

*FREE with Museum admission.*

**To register, please visit [mods.org/northpole](https://mods.org/northpole)**



## Ring in the New Year!

**December 31**

**10 a.m. – 5 p.m. • Ball Drop at 12 p.m.**

Ring in 2024 with our annual Noon Year's Eve celebration! Join us for a mid-day celebration with immersive activities, music, dancing and science. Create festive party gear and prepare for a ball drop at noon to ring in the new year! Visit our gallery wall to add your own New Year's resolution.

*FREE with Museum admission.*

**To register, please visit [mods.org/tickets](https://mods.org/tickets)**



MUSEUM OF DISCOVERY AND SCIENCE

## WINTER WONDERLAB SCIENCE

❄ WEEKENDS IN DECEMBER ❄

### ***Snow, Sleet and Ice!***

**Saturdays: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.**

**Sundays: 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.**

Experience the weather ingredients that make crazy winter storms. Understand the different states of matter of water and how it changes from ice to gas! Find out why the Florida climate is drastically different than many other places around the world.

- **Exhibits, Shows and Demos:** Practice your aim with Science Park "snowball" target shooting, enjoy Winter Wonderlab activities and a Nitro Show.
- **Animal Encounters:** Meet animals that call the Museum their home and don't have to hibernate like many others do to survive the cold winter temperatures.
- **Watch an IMAX on the GIANT Screen:** *Arctic: Our Frozen Planet, Dinosaurs of Antarctica, Ireland* and more!
- **Career Connections:** Explore careers in technology, environment and more!

**Just for early learners (ages 0-6):** Observe which material melts ice faster, how a snowstorm can appear in a jar, experience misty bubbles and create snowball painting and winter magic watercolors.

*FREE with Museum admission.*

**To register, please visit [mods.org/tickets](https://mods.org/tickets)**

***Kids Rule at MODS!***  
**February 18, April 1, June 17,**  
**August 5, October 14, December 2**  
**5 p.m. – 9 p.m.**

Children ages 6 to 12 years old are invited to an evening of fun and science with MODS educators. Caregivers will enjoy a kid-free night out while children have an action-packed evening exploring MODS after dark. The Museum adventure includes pizza, IMAX\*, exhibit exploration, as well as cool science shows and activities!

**Members:** \$30 per person    **Non-members:** \$40 per person

**Sibling discount:** \$5 off each additional sibling

*Space is limited. Preregistration is required.*

**To register, please visit [mods.org/kidsadventures](https://mods.org/kidsadventures)**

\*IMAX film will be selected in advance: subject to availability.



***All are Welcome at MODS!***

**Fourth Sunday of Each Month**  
**11 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

MODS' Sensory-Friendly Sunday programming provides a welcoming environment for guests to experience the Museum! MODS adjusts its venue by turning off rides, establishing a quiet area in our Sprouting STEM Early Childhood Learning Lab and displaying instructive visuals.

The AutoNation® IMAX® Theater lights will be turned up and the sound will be lowered. All films will be presented in 2D. No trailers will be shown. Audience members are welcome to get up and move freely. Families also are able to bring snacks from home, as well as blankets and other small items to be comfortable.

**Cost:** FREE

*Preregistration is required.*

**To register, please visit [mods.org/sensorysunday](https://mods.org/sensorysunday)**



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## Start the Day Off Right!

**April 29**  
**9 a.m. – 10 a.m.**

Breakfast is the most important meal of the day, so start your morning off right with a one-of-a-kind dining experience with MODS' otters before the Museum opens to the public!

Breakfast with our Otters features delicious catered fare, an Otter Talk, an outdoor training session, activity tables for guests to create a group enrichment item for the otters to enjoy, a special guest appearance by Joey the Otter mascot, opportunity to mingle with "Friends of the Otters" that will be roaming with MODS' animal handlers and awesome photo opportunities!

Breakfast with the Otters includes Museum admission, an IMAX documentary film and an original otter painting.

**Cost:** \$50 per person

*Space is limited. Pre-registration required.*

**Learn More and Get Tickets at [mods.org/otterbreakfast](https://mods.org/otterbreakfast)**





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# sprouting stem



## Sprouting STEM Early Childhood Learning Lab

Join us in the Sprouting STEM Early Childhood Learning Lab, powered by PNC Grow Up Great, where Little Seedlings, Little Sprouts and Little Explorers experience learning through play, animal encounters and STEM activities.

*FREE with Museum admission. Space is limited. Pre-registration required.*

### **DROP-IN AND EXPLORE** (0 – 6 Years: Open Play)

Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays:

10 a.m. – 1 p.m. • 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Sundays: 12 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Join us for learning through play experiences, socialization time, STEM activities and more!

### **PLAYDATES** (0 – 6 Years)

**Music Time Mondays:** 11 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Sing-alongs, instruments, bubbles, puppets and more!

**Pop-Up Science Wednesdays:** 11 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Interactive STEM demonstrations.

**Wiggle Time Fridays:** 11 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Movement, stretching exercises, obstacle courses and more!

### **STORY TIMES**

Join us for a fun interactive time of storytelling with your early learner!

Tuesdays (6 Months – 14 Months): 12 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Thursdays (15 Months – 24 Months): 12 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.

### **LITTLE SEEDLINGS CLASS** (6 Months – 14 Months)

Join us for this “Caregiver and Me” style program in which your little ones can participate in tummy time and take their first steps in STEM.

Tuesdays and Thursdays: 10 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

### **LITTLE SPROUTS CLASS** (15 Months – 24 Months)

Join us for this “Caregiver and Me” style program with socialization time, circle time and hands-on STEM activities!

Tuesdays and Thursdays: 11 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

### **LITTLE EXPLORERS CLASS** (3 – 6 Years)

Join us for this “Caregiver and Me” style program with hands-on STEM activities for your little explorer to be connected to inspiring science!



**For more information and to register,  
please visit [mods.org/sproutingstem](https://mods.org/sproutingstem)**



## BEACH CLEANUPS

***Keep Our Beaches Clean!***

**February 11, April 22, June 3,  
August 12, October 7, December 2**  
8 a.m. - 11 a.m.



Join MODS and The Extra Catch for our beach cleanups at the Dr. Von D. Mizell-Eula Johnson State Park (6503 N Ocean Drive, Dania Beach, FL 33004 – park entrance fees will be waived for cleanup participants). The cleanup is appropriate for all ages but recommended for children 8 years old and older. All children 16 years old and younger must be accompanied by an adult.

**All volunteers should bring:** a reusable water bottle, sunscreen, bug spray, closed-toe shoes, appropriate clothing for beach and weather.

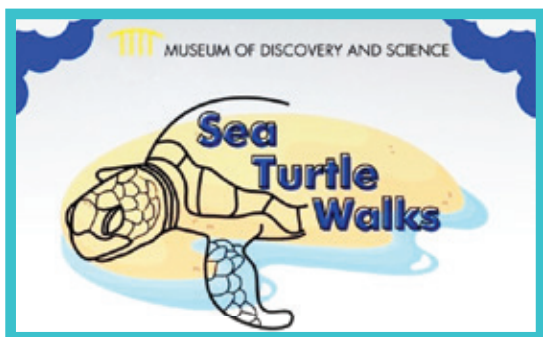
Water, Gatorade and cleaning supplies will be provided, but volunteers are welcome to bring their own equipment.

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**For more information and to register, please visit [mods.org/beachcleanup](https://mods.org/beachcleanup)**

\*Dates are subject to change.



### ***By Moonlight on the Beach!***

**June 7, 8, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28 and 30**  
**July 5, 6, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26 and 28**  
8 p.m. – 1 a.m.

Your adventure begins at the Museum with a hands-on educational session about turtles and then continues at Fort Lauderdale Beach where expert guides lead you to the sea turtle nesting grounds. We can't guarantee a sea turtle will be spotted on every walk, but when it happens, it's a natural wonder you will never forget!



**Members:** \$30 per person (adult or child, age 9+) **Non-members:** \$40 per person (adult or child, age 9+)

**For more information and to register, please visit [mods.org/turtlewalks](https://mods.org/turtlewalks)**

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# CAMP



# DISCOVERY

When school is out, Camp Discovery is IN! Give your child a SCIENTASTIC STEM experience at MODS' camp program. At Camp Discovery, we've crafted the ultimate age-appropriate camp experience, providing campers with interactive exploration and hands-on learning opportunities in the coolest camp environment, including a weekly IMAX immersion! Awesome themes\* abound from MODS Space Adventures to Engineering on a Roll and more. Themes vary and are subject to change.

**FOR AGES 6-12**

**Time:** 9 a.m. — 3:30 p.m. **Drop off:** 8:30 a.m.  
Before and Aftercare are available.

## **Wind, Water and Waves**

January 13 (One-Day Camp)

## **MODS Space Adventures!**

January 16 (One-Day Camp)

## **Sweet Science!**

February 20 (One-Day Camp)

## **Rainbows, Leprechauns and Pots of Gold!**

March 17 (One-Day Camp)

## **Creature Power!**

March 20-24 (Five-Day Camp)

## **Engineering on a Roll!**

April 7 (One-Day Camp)

## **Sun Rays and Rain Days!**

April 21 (One-Day Camp)



**For more information and to register, please visit [mods.org/campdiscovery](https://mods.org/campdiscovery)**

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# SUMMER CAMP DISCOVERY

Give your child a SCIENTASTIC SUMMER STEM experience at MODS' summer camp program. At Camp Discovery, we've crafted the ultimate age-appropriate camp experience, providing campers with interactive exploration and hands-on learning opportunities in the coolest camp environment, including a weekly IMAX immersion! Awesome themes\* abound from Inspiration Takes Flight! to *Expedition: Dinosaur!* and Mystery at MODS! to MODS Magical Camp for Witches and Wizards and more.

## FOR AGES 6-12

**Time:** 9 a.m. — 3:30 p.m. **Drop off:** 8:30 a.m.

Before and Aftercare are available.

### Camp 71%

June 9 (One-Day Camp - Offsite)

### Inspiration Takes Flight!

June 12-16 (Five-Day Camp)

### Expedition: Dinosaur!

June 19-23 (Five-Day Camp)

### Mystery at MODS! (CSI Camp)

June 26-30 (Five-Day Camp)

### It's Shocking!

July 3 (One-Day Camp)

### Animal Adventure

July 5-7 (Three-Day Camp)

### MODS Magical Camp for Witches and Wizards

July 10-14 (Five-Day Camp)

July 17-21 (Five-Day Camp)

### Animal Adventure

July 24-28 (Five-Day Camp)

### Zombie Survival Training!

July 31-August 4 (Five-Day Camp)

For more information and to register, please visit [mods.org/summercampdiscovery](https://mods.org/summercampdiscovery)

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# BIRTHDAYPARTIES



# AT MODS

## ***Planning a birthday party at MODS is a piece of cake.***

Just say the word and we'll put the wheels in motion for a birthday party that your special child will always remember. Our Museum birthday parties are offered for children ages 3-12. Choose from exciting themed programs that include age-appropriate science activities, Museum exhibits exploration, birthday cake, pizza and beverages and much, much more.

Choose from one of our exciting themes: Animal Mania, Dinosaur Adventure or Slime Time Celebration!

Ask our guest experience representative how you can give your child an unforgettable Museum birthday party by contacting 954.713.0930 or email [booking@mods.org](mailto:booking@mods.org).



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