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KIDS GET STARS IN THEIR EYES AT THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

WEST HARTFORD, Oct. 31, 2008 – Children ages three and up will love experiencing the night sky at a program just for them on November 6, 2008 at The Children's Museum in West Hartford. The program, called "Little Eyes on the Skies," will be held from 5:00 PM to 7:30 PM.

"Because of the early sunset, we might be able to see Venus, Jupiter and a gibbous (more than half-full) Moon with just our eyes," said Kristie Mazzoni, Director of the Museum's Travelers Science Dome at the Gengras Planetarium. "We'll take out the telescopes and everyone will have a chance to get a really close look."

Children and their families will:

- Learn about the current night sky and how to find the Big and Little Dippers.
- Make planet crafts to take home.
- Play games in the Travelers Science Dome.

Though the program is geared to ages three and up, all ages are welcome to participate.

Admission to Little Eyes on the Skies is \$10 per person for members of The Children's Museum and \$12 per person for non-members. Children younger than age 2 are free. Register by email at Events@TheChildrensMuseumCT.org or by telephone at 860.231.2830, x44. Walk-ins are welcome.

The Children's Museum offers hands-on science exhibits, live animals, out-of-this-world digital planetarium shows, and programs for younger children and families. With over 210,000 visitors annually, it is one of Connecticut's top museum attractions. The Children's Museum is located

at 950 Trout Brook Drive in West Hartford. More information is available at www.TheChildrensMuseumCT.org.

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Kids and their families learn all about the current night sky at the Travelers Science Dome at the Gengras Planetarium in West Hartford.

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