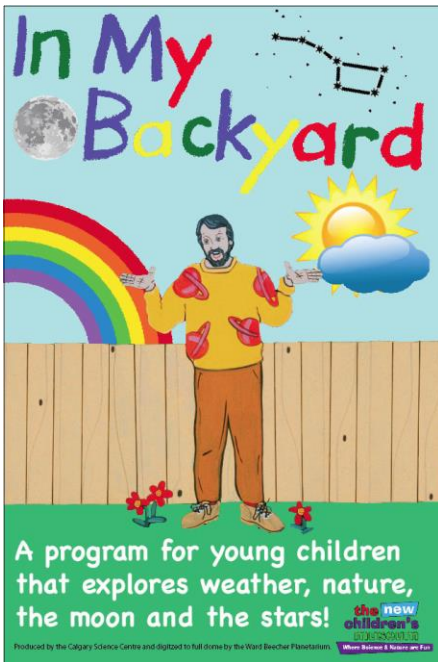




New Show and Discounted Autumn Pricing for The New Children's Museum's Planetarium



WEST HARTFORD, Conn (September 1, 2015) – Attention all skywatchers! The New Children's Museum is offering special Autumn prices for planetarium shows.

The New Children's Museum is home to Connecticut's largest museum planetarium, the Travelers Science Dome at the Gengras Planetarium. During September and October, in place of the standard \$3.50-\$5.00 surcharge for attending a planetarium show, all planetarium shows will be free to Museum members and cost only \$1.50 for non-member visitors.

This is the perfect opportunity to view science topics in an immersive environment, under the planetarium dome, and get back in touch with the night sky.

The Children's Museum is also introducing a new planetarium program. *In My Backyard* is a planetarium show narrated by Fred Penner, a Canadian children's entertainer, who uses music and observation to explore the wonders of nature near his home. Families will discover all sorts of things: colors of the rainbow,

insects, weather, changing seasons, the Moon and the stars. *In My Backyard* is produced by the Calgary Science Centre and has been digitized and converted to full dome format by Ward Beecher Planetarium.

The Traveler's Science Dome Planetarium features daily shows for a variety of age groups. From live action shows about the technology used to travel in space, to animated programs to encourage future scientists to explore the sky above them, there is something for everyone to enjoy. *In My Backyard* premieres on September 12th. For a full show schedule, visit The New Children's Museum website.

The New Children's Museum is positioned as a premier STEAM education center, integrating science, technology, engineering, art, and math. Home to over 100 live animals, the Museum features hands-on science exhibits, out-of-this-world digital planetarium shows, and programs for young children and families.

The New Children's Museum and Roaring Brook Nature Center are the region's premiere destinations for science and nature exploration. The New Children's Museum and Preschool are located at 950 Trout Brook Drive in West Hartford and Roaring Brook Nature Center is located at 70 Gracey Road in Canton. More information is available at www.TheChildrensMuseumCT.org.

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