



## **The New Children's Museum Invites Families to Celebrate at their Annual Spooktacular**

*The Annual Spooktacular will be held October 30<sup>th</sup> from 5:00pm to 8:00pm*

WEST HARTFORD, Conn (October 7, 2015) – The New Children's Museum of West Hartford has a frighteningly good time planned for families with children of all ages at their Annual Spooktacular, being held this year on Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup> from 5:00pm to 8:00pm.

Kids and families are encouraged to wear their costumes as they trick-or-treat throughout the Museum for spooky prizes. Activities include hauntingly fun games, take-home crafts, and a special planetarium show. Meet creatures of the night during special animal presentations. The Museum and its many interactive exhibits will be operating as usual during the Spooktacular, with additional features such as Mad Scientists and Haunted Pirates to help lead the play.

The Spooktacular is perfect for young children who aren't quite ready to trick-or-treat around the neighborhood, as well as the older kids who are always looking for another excuse to wear their costumes.

Pre-registration for the Spooktacular is highly suggested since space is limited. The cost is \$5 for Museum and Nature Center Members and \$10 for Non-Members. Children under the age of 2 years are free. Registration can be done by visiting the Museum's website at [www.TheChildrensMuseumCT.org](http://www.TheChildrensMuseumCT.org) or by calling the Registration Department at (860) 231-2830 ext. 44.

During your Halloween visit, don't miss the latest exhibit, *Tech City*, which opened in September. *Tech City* promotes engineering as a problem solving process in which real people solve real problems and improve the quality of living for others. From traffic jams to earthquakes, children are put to the test and become the engineer at interactive stations.

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](http://www.TheChildrensMuseumCT.org).

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