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EXPLORE SOUND in *SONIC SENSATION*

Now Hear This: A Brand New Traveling Exhibit Is Opening At The Children's Museum!

[West Hartford, CT, September 1, 2019—] Explore the science of sound and hearing at The Children's Museum's new traveling exhibition, *Sonic Sensation*, opening on September 21, 2019.

Experience our sonic world and the sensation of being surrounded by everyday sounds in this interactive exhibition. Experiment with pitch, test your own hearing, make a movie soundtrack, and step into the ever-popular *Scream Chamber!*

In a lively, engaging manner, *Sonic Sensation* presents a fun and informative opportunity to explore sound in our environment. Learn about the anatomy and physics of how we hear, find

out about decibels, amplitude, frequency, pitch, sound waves, and what you can do to protect your hearing.

The 1,500 square foot exhibition consists of fourteen fun, interactive exhibits. Sort high and low pitches by hitting colored bells, create sounds by conducting an *Invisible Orchestra*, and launch a billiard ball to show how sound hitting our eardrums sends signals to our brain. Other components invite you to measure the frequency of sounds, match mystery sounds, and try to find hidden “animals” in kitchen cupboards by listening (no peeking!). Young visitors will want try out *Ear This!* a fun family photo op where they can see how they look with the ears of an elephant, rabbit, bat and more. Children and their families will make a lot of noise at this exhibition!

This exhibition will be on display through September 21, 2019 through May 3, 2020
Sciencenter of Ithaca, New York developed *Sonic Sensation*.

The Children’s Museum has been a West Hartford institution since its founding in 1927. Helping young children discover their lifelong love of learning, The Children’s Museum is made up of a many diverse educational assets. The Travelers Science Dome at the Gengras Planetarium opened in 1968. Roaring Brook Nature Center in Canton, established in 1948, which became part of The Children’s Museum in 1973. The Wildlife Sanctuary, opened in 1981. Sophisticated in-school and on-site educational programs aligned with Connecticut’s curricular standards. The museum itself with hands-on, minds-open, child-centered interactive activities. These together give The Children’s Museum authority as a trusted and creative community resource for teaching and learning about science and nature.

The Children’s Museum is part of The Children’s Museum Group, a registered 501 (c)(3). Their mission is to provoke life-long experiential learning and innovation among children, adults, and their communities. The museum is open Tuesday Through Saturday from 9 AM-4 PM, and Sunday 11AM-4PM. Admission is \$14.75 for adults, \$13.75 for children 2-12 and seniors 63 and over, and free to children under 2. Memberships are available. For more information, please visit www.thechildrensmuseumct.org.

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