



Exploring the Museum

What to Expect

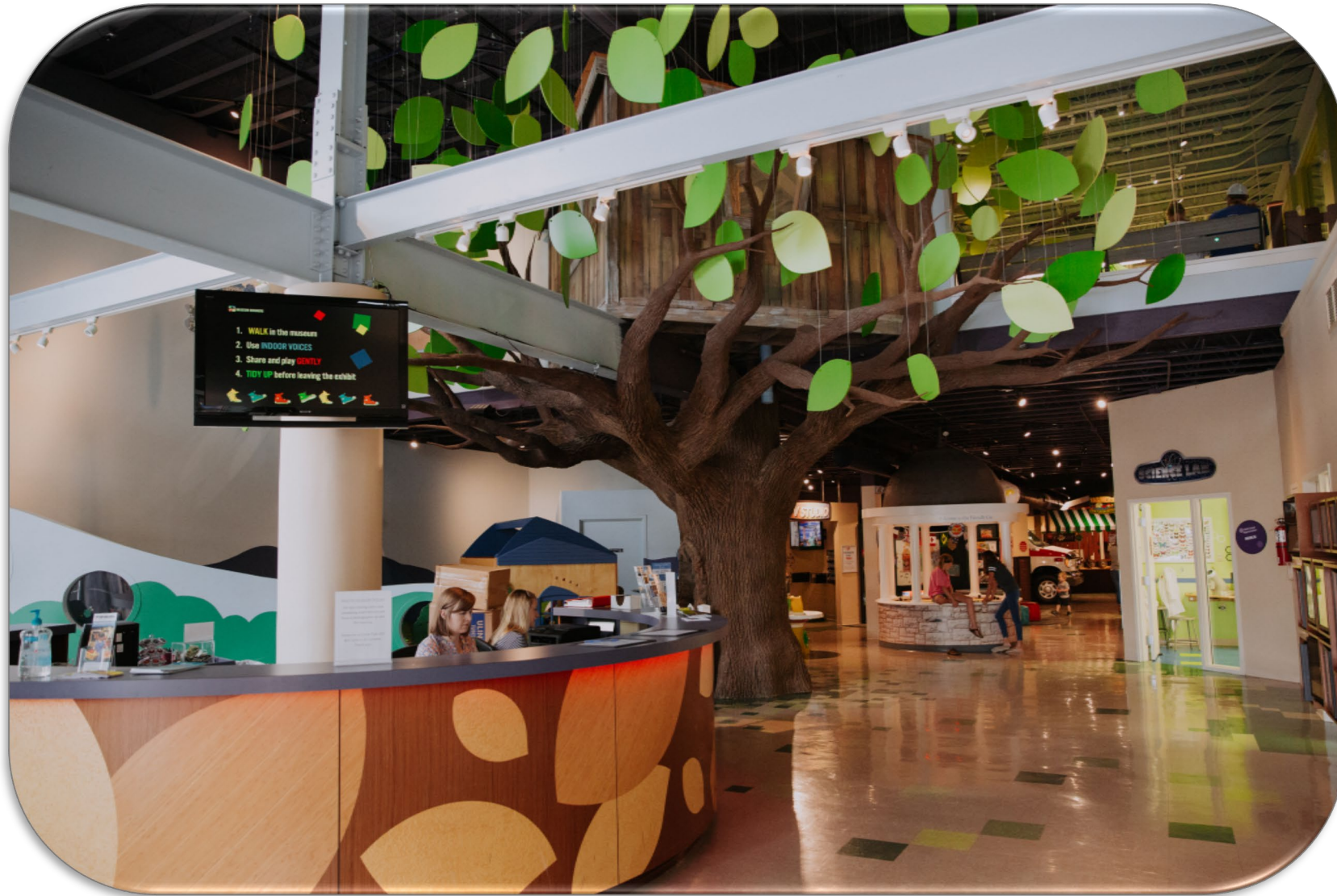
I'm going to the Explore More Discovery Museum Today!





We may park in one of the parking lots or parking garages in Downtown Harrisonburg. If we park in a parking garage, it might be dark and loud. There will be other cars, so I'll be sure to stay close to my adult.

We will walk to the entrance. The street might be busy with other cars and people, so I will stay with my adults.



When I get to the Museum, I will go inside and stand in line with my adult to check-in with a staff member at the **Admissions Desk**. I might have to wait patiently in line until it is my turn to check in.

When it is our turn, the museum staff will help my adult and me check-in and welcome us to the [Explore More Discovery Museum](#).

Once we have checked in, I can go explore the Museum!

I will make sure to follow all museum rules, so that everyone at the Museum can be safe – including me! I will [stay with my adult](#), use my [inside voice](#), and use my [walking feet](#)!





Before I can go play and explore, my adult and I must both **wash our hands** at the hand washing station for at least 20 seconds! We do this to keep everyone at the Museum **healthy and safe!**

Over the Meadow



Wonderwoods



At the museum, there are two areas for our friends two years old and younger! **Over the Meadow** is on the first floor by the front desk, and **Wonderwoods** is on the second floor right by the Discovery Tree! I'll be sure not to go into these spaces if I am older than two.

Some of the first exhibits I'll see are the **Science Lab** and **Art Smart!**



In the **Science Lab**, I can perform experiments and make new discoveries using lots of different tools such as a microscope!



In the **Art Smart** studio, I can create beautiful artwork that I can share with my family and friends!

Another exhibit I might visit while at the Museum is the **Friendly City Health Center**, including the **Dental Center** and the **Medical Center**.



In the **Dental Center**, I can use a giant toothbrush to practice brushing teeth!



In the **Medical Center**, I can sit in a life-size ambulance and learn more about medicine.



In the **Super Service Center**, I can pretend to work on my very own car and learn how cars work! Some of the tools might make loud noises when I use them. There may be other children wanting to play at the **Super Service Center**, so I'll be sure to wait my turn and to share with others.



I can deliver the news from the anchor desk at the **TV Studio**! I can even track the latest weather changes and use the green screen like a meteorologist!



In the **Virginia Theater**, there is a professional stage complete with lighting, movable curtains, and costumes! I can use my imagination to create stories to act out on stage!



In [CK's Kitchen and Farmer's Market](#) I can dig for vegetables, pick up some yummy produce, and cook up a delicious meal! Other children might want to farm and cook too, so I'll have to be patient and share all of the fun items!



In the **Imagination Playground**, I can build with the big blue blocks. Other children might want to build too, so I'll have to be patient and work together with other children.



In the **Down on the Farm** exhibit, I can explore the barn, go down the slide, and even milk Bessie the cow! The cow will say "moo" and it might be loud.

To go up to the second floor, I can follow the animal tracks up the stairs, or I can take the elevator. Whichever one my adult and I choose, I will **stay with my adult** the entire time, so that I can stay safe.



Even though I might be very excited to see what is waiting for me upstairs, I'll be sure to keep using my **walking feet** and my **inside voice** when going upstairs.



The **Maker City Makerspace** is a creative space for our friends who are age eight or older, so if I am younger than eight, I won't go in the **Makerspace**. If I am old enough to use the **Makerspace**, I'll be sure to ask my adult for permission first.

Maker City is equipped with everything I'll need to make an exciting project. I can try a laser cutter, sewing machine, create a woodworking project, and more!



At the **Discovery Tree**, I can relax in a variety of spaces. I can look through a periscope, experiment with the Amazing Airways tree, or read a book. I can also curl up inside a comfy cocoon chair! This is the perfect spot if I need a moment to relax and calm down



Another place I can relax and calm down is the **Rain Walk** right next to the **Discovery Tree**. This blue and white corner has comfy bean bags and fun blocks that look like ice.



At the **Veterinarian station**, I can practice examining and taking care of animals. I can even look at an x-ray of some animals!



In the **Construction Zone**, I can use different tools to build different buildings. There might be other children who want to build and use the tools, so I'll be sure to wait my turn patiently and share my tools. Maybe I can even make a friend, and we can build something together!



In **Cash Flow**, I can use Kid Currency (small green balls!) to learn about smart ways to use money, including earning, saving, investing, spending, and sharing! When I have saved up enough money and filled up the big green bucket, all the green balls will come falling down! When this happens, there are bright lights and loud “**cha-ching!**” sounds.



In the **Take Flight** exhibit, I can sit in a life-size airplane as a passenger or I can be a pilot and fly the plane! I can also work the air control tower and help the plane take off!

While I'm waiting for my plane to board, I can sit in the terminal lounge and relax with my packed suitcase!

After I have explored all the exhibits, my adult will tell me when it is time to say goodbye.



As I leave, I will wave goodbye and say, “See you next time!” to the staff at the admissions desk.

I had a great time at the **Explore More Discovery Museum** today!

I can't wait to come again!