

Themes for the Party Palooza and Party Extravaganza Packages

For the Younger Child

Very Hungry Caterpillar (ages 1-4)

Enjoy story time with Eric Carle's "Very Hungry Caterpillar" in your party room. Then after learning how the caterpillar became a butterfly, create your very own caterpillar and beautiful butterfly crafts and activities designed specifically for our younger visitors. You and your guests can then continue creating child friendly art in our Studio.

Build A Bird House (ages 3-6)

You and your friends will enjoy building and decorating your very own working birdhouse. Piece together your easy to build birdhouse and add your own personal touch with paint and other decorations. After that construction project, we recommend a visit to our Garage and Workshop where you can enjoy an exhibit based on machines, tools, materials, and safety. Build different things, take them apart, make your way to the top of the climber, and launch parachutes to the floor below.

For the Older Child

Create a Tee (ages 5-10)

You and your guests can design your very own custom t-shirts with screen printing! Bring your creativity to the table by drawing different shapes or designs and then silkscreening them onto a white t-shirt provided by the Museum. It's a one-of-a-kind piece of art that you can wear! Afterwards your party can venture up to The Studio to explore the world of art even more.

An additional \$3 charge per child is added for materials.

Superhero (ages 5-10)

Up, up, and away! You and your guests will become superheroes with your very own, one-of-a-kind capes you design using our silkscreening process. Complete your disguise by decorating a mask using various art supplies. When finished, you and your guests will take your party upstairs to explore the Garage exhibit with its climber, slide, parachutes and more!

An additional \$3.00 per child charge is added for materials.

Partying with Pottery (ages 6 and up)

Design, build, and paint your very own coil pot. You and your guests get to sculpt your very own unique pottery by rolling out coils of clay and piecing them together to create a coil pot. Then call upon your inner artists to paint the pottery you created. Museum staff will professionally glaze and fire each piece. Pottery can be picked up two weeks after the party or sent by mail.

An additional \$5 charge per child is added for materials.

You're On Stage! (ages 7 and up)

Use your imagination, as you and your guests write your very own play to be performed on stage in the Theater. Then, dress up in costumes and makeup to prepare for your acting debut, starring in the show you and your guests wrote. You've never seen a performance quite like this!

Performer Option: Add a juggler, storyteller, or other lively performer to your party for an additional charge.

Creep into our Attic (ages 7 and up)

Embark on a scavenger hunt to find the mysteries scattered throughout the museum's Attic exhibit! Explore the secrets of our Attic while enjoying its activities and write down your findings to receive a reward upon completion!

All Ages

Garden Party (seasonal)

Only for a limited time/Limited Space

Roses are red. Violets are blue. Join us for a birthday that's as unique as you! Work in our Makeshop exhibit to assemble and decorate your very own flower presses. Try out your press right away with flowers provided by the museum. Then, head outdoors to explore our Garden exhibit to learn more about the unique offerings of the Museum's urban garden (weather permitting).

Build a Ride

Only for a limited time/Limited space available

Rev up your engines and get ready, set, GO! Using a wheeled base, wood and hardware, you and your friends will love designing and building your very own model cars that will really roll. When you finish designing your car, you and your guests will travel up to our new Wheels exhibit to explore wheels and vehicles of all shapes and sizes.

Water Play at the Beach

Prepare yourself for a day at the beach by making sand art bracelets and decorating beach visors. These beach accessories will be the perfect addition to help you look your best when you travel to our Waterplay exhibit. Once there, test your boat building skills or design an aquatic pathway working with pipes and water pressure. A change of clothes may be necessary for some visitors to our Waterplay because it is very easy to get caught up in the fun and come out soaking wet!

Studio Art

Enjoy the classic story "Where the Wild Things Are" by Maurice Sendak to stimulate the imagination before creating your own Wild Thing using modeling clay in the party room. Color and sculpt your clay into your very own personal artistic creation to take home. Afterwards bring your artistic flare to Studio where you can show your creativity with the many crafts available there - perfect for budding artists.

Pirate's Treasure

Ahoy, mateys! Climb on board for an exciting party decorated with pirate flags and symbols, Arrrghh! You and your band of pirates will decorate your very own treasure chests, filled with pirate booty, before launching boats into the treacherous sea of our Waterplay room. Landlubbers beware you and your guests may get wet constructing and playing with the pipes and boats. A change of clothes may be a good idea because some buccaneers come out of Waterplay looking as if they walked the plank!

Royalty for a Day!

You reign over all when your party becomes your kingdom. You and your guests can show off creativity by decorating prince and princess-perfect crowns. Everyone will also receive a wand to celebrate in your magical kingdom. Afterwards, create your own artwork to decorate your home kingdom in our Studio. This is the best way to have a royal day!

Pretty, Pretty Parasol

You and your guests can prepare for a sophisticated day in the sun when you decorate parasols using watercolor paints in your party space. The shade feels a little bit cooler when it's created by a parasol you decorated all on your own. Continue your creativity by exploring silk-screening and papermaking in our Studio.