



CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF DENVER
36TH BIRTHDAY BASH



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36th Birthday Bash Goes to Paris

The Children's Museum of Denver will celebrate its' 36th year with Hazel Miller, Mayor Hickenlooper and a raffle trip to France

Denver, CO— For nearly 36 years, the children of Denver have been playing and learning at the Children's Museum. To celebrate their birthday every adult in town is invited to take an imaginary trip. An evening of *Meet Me in Paris* will follow a mischievous little girl through the picturesque streets of Paris to a plaza full of dancing, savory French cuisine, twinkle lights and sparkling stars.

The adults-only gala, set for Friday, May 29th at 6:00 p.m., will be full of classic child-like fun and festivities. There will be a Live and Silent auction with an exceptional array of items, including the celebrated Ethan Allen *Chairs that Care* packages. Gourmet Fine Catering will provide the Parisian fare, the Hazel Miller Band will entertain an evening of dancing, and one lucky winner will walk away with a luxurious trip for two to France from the raffle!

Join Honorary Chairs, Ms. Helen Thorpe and Mayor John Hickenlooper, and Event Co-Chairs, Ms. Dory Pratt and Ms. Brooke Simpson, for an unforgettable occasion!

<u>Tickets Prices:</u>		Early Bird Price (<i>On or before April 17</i>)
Junior (34 and younger)	\$100	\$90
Individual	\$150	\$125
Jr. Patron (34 and younger)	\$200	\$180
Patron	\$250	\$225

For ticket purchases or questions please call Tara Pologar at 303-561-0104 or visit www.mychildsmuseum.org. Patron level tickets include a ticket to the Patron Party.

Patron Party

Patron Level guests are invited to the exclusive Patron Party. Mr. and Mrs. Steve Lockton are hosting an evening in mid-May, date and time to come, complete with food, drinks, mingling, and entertainment.

The Birthday Bash Fundraiser

The Children's Museum of Denver's 36th Birthday Bash, planned by nearly 100 community volunteers, is the Museum's largest fundraiser. The adults-only annual party is expected to attract 600 guests, representing philanthropic corporations, organizations and individuals throughout Colorado. Money raised goes to directly support the Museum's educational efforts, program supplies, Playscape development, community outreaches, and sponsored admissions. Last year, the Birthday Bash raised more than \$280,000, through the generosity of the community.

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About the Children's Museum of Denver

Since its inception in 1973, the Children's Museum of Denver has been a place that ignites and fosters a great love of learning. Our mission is to create a community where children and their grownups learn through play.

The Museum provides rich play experiences and a dynamic learning environment to help young children prepare for their future. The Children's Museum of Denver is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization that relies heavily on the support of Museum friends.

The Children's Museum of Denver is located at I-25 and 23rd Avenue (exit 211), in the Platte River Valley. For more details about the Museum, and its programs and events please visit www.mychildsmuseum.org.



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