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Cayton Children's Museum Releases June Programming Events

Programs include Chalk It Up, Parents' Night Out, Father's Day Festivities, Storytime + Art for Juneteenth and Santa Monica Place Pride Festival

Santa Monica, CA (June 6, 2024) – The Cayton Children's Museum releases its June programming lineup, which will be filled with interactive play for kids and their grownups.

The Cayton kicks off its June festivities with **Chalk It Up**, which will take place every Friday from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. June through August. Chalk drawings are one of the earliest types of art, and each month the Cayton will welcome a special guest to accompany young artists in transforming our sidewalks into colorful canvases. This month's special guest will feature **Miles Christopher**, an abstract painter, chalk artist, muralist, and musician, who lives and works in Southern California. The themes for June include *Express Yourself*, *All Families are Unique with Miles Christoper*, *Use Your Voice*, and *No Color but the Rainbow*. <u>More information & tickets</u>

On June 15, kids and their grownups alike will enjoy **Parents' Night Out** from 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Offering caregivers a night off, children ages 4-10 years will enjoy three hours of activities and free play supervised by the Cayton's Play Guides. Games and activities include life-size Connect Four, bean bag tosses, floor bowling and more, along with dinner, a snack, and a drink. This limited-time series is offered on the third Saturday of each month through August and is open to both members and non-members. <u>More information & reservations</u>

In celebration of **Father's Day**, kids are invited to create an "I Love You to Pieces" themed gift for their father figures, which will take place on Sunday, June 16, at 11:00 a.m.

On June 19 at 11:00 a.m, The Cayton will also celebrate Juneteenth with Storytime + Art featuring **"Juneteenth for Mazie"** by Floyd Cooper and craft creating celebration poppers.

Throughout the month of June, the Cayton Children's Museum will invite its visitors to vote for their favorite plush toy to lead a series of **Proud to Be Me Parades in celebration of Pride Month**. The parades will be held throughout the museum daily at 1:30 p.m. from June 26 through July 1.

The Cayton offers daily activities including art studio and storytime, which are drop-in and included with admission for members and museum visitors. For more information about daily programming offered at the Cayton Children's Museum throughout June, visit https://www.caytonmuseum.org/calendar.

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About The Cayton Children's Museum:

The Cayton Children's Museum, located in Downtown Santa Monica just steps from the Pacific Ocean, is a nonprofit organization that activates the power of PLAY to enrich the lives of children and their families, build stronger, more connected communities, and create a better world. Originally founded as the Zimmer Children's Museum in 1991, the Cayton Children's Museum officially opened to the public in 2019 with 30 years of experience in values-based learning. The 21,000-square-foot space offers hands-on exhibits and immersive play, with a robust calendar of arts and cultural activities designed for children 0 to 8 and their families including public programs, classes, workshops, and more. To learn more about the Cayton Children's Museum, visit www.caytonmuseum.org and follow on Instagram, Facebook, YouTube, and Pinterest.