About

Otter Cove Children's Museum is a vibrant educational and cultural institution offering learning experiences through physical play, artistic exploration and imagination. We believe that play is the primary driver of learning, and we empower children to direct their own learning by letting their imaginations lead the way.

Mission

Our mission is to support the optimal development of our region's children by intentionally creating the environment for abundant play opportunities that launch children's imaginations, stimulate skill development, and instill a sense of place and purpose that lasts a lifetime.

Vision

We envision Otter Tail County as the best place to grow up, where caring adults help all children grow up inspired by life's possibilities and prepared to meet the world head-on.
Dear Friends,

We are delighted to share our 2021 Annual Report! Despite the challenges posed by the ongoing pandemic, it was a year full of learning through play and letting children's imaginations lead the way.

We joyfully celebrated our one-year anniversary in September and we're looking forward to providing abundant play opportunities for many years to come.

Otter Cove has been a community effort from the very beginning, and we are incredibly grateful for the ongoing support of our community of members, donors, sponsors, and volunteers. Thank you for being a champion for children!

Katie Ganoe
Executive Director

Tasha Rohlf
Board President
2021 By the Numbers

19,147 total visitors

400 memberships

28 Access to Play memberships

35 field trips

126 birthday parties/private events

Serving Statewide and Beyond

West Central 85%

Northwest .35%

Central 1.07%

Northeast .21%

Metro 1.83%

Southeast .23%

Outside MN 11%

30 states/5 countries

Southwest .18%
Access to Play

Access to Play is Otter Cove Children's Museum's access initiative. We are committed to ensuring that ALL children have opportunities to experience the joy of learning through play regardless of income, language/cultural factors, ability, or special needs. Thanks to the generous support of donors, Access to Play memberships provide annual memberships at no or greatly reduced cost to families experiencing barriers to play.
(Finally) Celebrating our Grand Opening

Over a year in the making, we celebrated our grand opening in July! It was a joyous evening with the community that made Otter Cove a reality. Our ribbon cutting was complete with confetti cannons, and over 100 guests enjoyed refreshments while they explored the museum during the open house.
Discover Energy!

Discover Energy! is a four-part exhibit located throughout the museum that inspires hands-on explorations with the power of wind, solar, and hydro energy resulting in a greater understanding that energy is not infinite and everyone has a role to play in conserving energy.

This project was made possible by Otter Tail Power Company and the Minnesota Conservation Improvement Program Advertising and Education.
Support from our donors provides resources needed to support and expand children's learning through play. Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this information. If your name has been inadvertently omitted or incorrectly listed, please accept our apologies and contact katie@ottercoveff.org.

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