THE NEW CHILDREN’S MUSEUM offers unlimited possibilities

Host your next corporate event, company meeting, holiday party, wedding or other special occasion at The New Children’s Museum. Featuring three floors of contemporary art, the Museum offers a smart and sophisticated atmosphere with flexible space options for groups up to 1,000 people. Located in the heart of downtown San Diego just steps away from the Convention Center, our 50,000-square-foot state-of-the-art, urban venue is the ideal location for your next special event.

Our experienced Events Services team is ready to work with you to create your unique and unforgettable event. We partner with some of San Diego’s finest event professionals to provide outstanding service for your catering, beverage and other event needs.
EVENT SPACES*

Main Level  550 reception  |  300 seated
The Main Level encompasses the Museum's largest open spaces with ceilings spanning 50 feet high. This space is ideal for elegant receptions, lively concerts, seated dinners and festive dancing. The Main Level can be utilized in its entirety or separated into sections for a more intimate setting to fit within your budget.

Upper Level  150 reception  |  100 seated
The Upper Level looks out over beautiful downtown San Diego, as well as the lower levels and vibrant artworks. The airy ambiance of this space is perfect for a cocktail party, celebratory reception or intimate dinner. This space is ideal for small events or limited budgets.

Lower Level  300 reception  |  100 seated
The Lower Level offers versatile space for a cocktail hour or intimate reception. Studio Q offers the perfect setting for private meetings, presentations and dance parties.

Entire Museum  1,000 reception  |  500 seated
Experience three floors of interactive event space – complete with open studios, garden views, expansive gallery spaces and outdoor terraces.

Arts Education Center
Featuring unique classrooms, the Arts Education Center provides an array of flexible spaces for your next board meeting, team building activity, break-out session or satellite workspace.

*Seating capacity varies based on room configuration and current installations.
PLAN YOUR EVENT

Green and Sustainable
The New Children's Museum features contemporary art and is one of the most creative venues in San Diego. Our downtown location is less than 500 steps from the Convention Center, convenient as an offsite meeting location. Our green and sustainable Museum was designed by Robert Quigley and boasts stunning architecture, perfect for corporate events, weddings or other special evenings.

Corporate and Nonprofits
From banquets, team building activities and networking events to school dances and board meetings, we offer distinct spaces that can be easily transformed to accommodate your needs – and the architecture and contemporary art provide an extraordinary backdrop!

Weddings
We make your special day unforgettable! Hold your wedding ceremony and reception at the Museum – exchange your vows and then mingle with your guests with beautiful views of downtown San Diego. With 50,000 square feet on three levels, we can customize a package for your budget and number of guests.
SERVICES + AMENITIES

Catering
The New Children's Museum offers a wide array of award-winning caterers with extensive experience and proven track records for events of all sizes. Alcohol beverage service is contracted separately through our exclusive bar service.

Equipment Rentals
A premier partnership with Raphael's Party Rentals enables the Event Services team to offer competitive pricing. Raphael's has a substantial selection of equipment rentals ranging from dressed tables to lighting needs, florals, AV and more.

Parking
Forty parking spaces are accessible from Union Street and Front Street in our underground garage. In addition to this, metered parking is available in the surrounding neighborhood, as well as numerous public parking lots in the vicinity.

Hold Your Date
Upon initial request, from phone or e-mail inquiry, the Museum will hold your reservation for 14 days as a tentative hold. Within that time frame, a site visit may be scheduled and the reservation may be held for an additional seven days.

Park Rental
From wedding ceremonies to social gatherings, our park across the street from the Museum is a great addition to your event. Contact our events department at events@thinkplaycreate.org so we can help you get started.
REQUIRED PROFESSIONALS
The New Children’s Museum requires the use of the following professionals for your upcoming event. They are incredibly familiar with our venue and have been hand-selected to complement and enhance your occasion.

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