

Mission

Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose
inspires creativity, curiosity and lifelong learning.



Vision

Today's children become tomorrow's visionaries.

Aspiration

At Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose,
Children find joy in play and discovery;
Parents, teachers and caregivers find support for their vital roles;
Youth find avenues for self expression and achievement;
The community finds reflections of itself; and
The world finds a champion for nurturing a sense of wonder.



Strategic Commitments

- Creativity through the Arts
- Science Learning
- Environmental Stewardship
- Early Childhood Development
- Inclusion & Cultural Competence
- Childhood Obesity Prevention
- Community Service Learning
- In-House Exhibit Development
- Learning Research
- Partnerships & Resource Development



Values

Children

We respect children and the adults who support them, striving to understand and respond to their individual developmental needs, learning styles and cultures.

Play

We believe play is essential to healthy development and lifelong learning.

Integrity

We create experiences rooted in authenticity, a spirit of discovery, and a commitment to excellence.

Curiosity

We encourage wondering, asking questions, exploring and inventing.

Intersections

We value multidisciplinary exploration, unexpected insights and new connections.

Community

We celebrate people, cultures and discoveries, building global awareness and understanding.

Learning

We believe that interactive engagement with ideas, materials, the environment, and technology promotes creativity, critical thinking, problem solving and growth.

