

Discovery Gateway Opens New Kids Eye View Playhouse

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Discovery Gateway Children's Museum (DGCM) has opened a new exhibit—A Victorian-inspired house.

Discovery Gateway Children's Museum transformed and doubled the size of one of its previously beloved and popular exhibits, a child's size house located inside the museum.

"Our inspiration was based on a few of the beautiful Victorian houses located in the Avenues here in Salt Lake City," said Executive Director and CEO Kathleen Bodenlos. "We wanted to delight children and inspire their creativity with this newly reimagined exhibit."

The existing exhibit underwent significant renovations. The size of the structure was doubled, an upstairs loft/bedroom was added along with a new staircase, a working fireplace was installed, two secret passageways were added, a new kitchen was installed complete with child-sized appliances and a small garden was added along with a picket fence. The charming Victorian home overlooks the indoor park exhibit that also recently received a brand-new mural of Sugar House Park painted by a local artist, Kyle Loizos.

The reopening was celebrated with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at an event called Night at the Museum. "Our goal is to continually refresh the children's museum to keep it an exciting place for children and parents to return to—again and again—to learn, play, and dream," said the CEO Kathleen Bodenlos.

Renovations were made possible by the generosity of the University Federal Credit Union.

About Discovery Gateway Children's Museum

Discovery Gateway Children's Museum is located in downtown Salt Lake City at 444 West 100 South and is a contemporary discovery center offering 60,000 square feet of interactive, hands-on fun. The engaging workshops, programs, and exhibits invite the whole family to create, learn, and play together. It is the mission of Discovery Gateway to inspire children of all ages and abilities to imagine, discover, and connect with their world to make a difference. For information, please call (801) 456-5437 ext. 136, or visit us at www.DiscoveryGateway.org.

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