Curate My Community

Cincinnati Museum Center Is on the move!

Keep an eye out for Curi.

Moments of curiosity can happen anywhere, and Curi is here to help us find them. You can find CMC throughout the community while we restore Union Terminal. Curi will be pecking behind dinosaurs or riding in airplanes — all with the goal of challenging us to explore the vast wonders of the world, and consider the adventures that await us by embracing curiosity every day.

Cincinnati Museum Center
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Profile

Cincinnati Museum Center is a one-of-a-kind, multi-museum complex that is one of the top 20 most visited museums nationwide. Museum Center resides in Union Terminal, a historic Art Deco train station and National Historic Landmark that was named one of the nation’s most important buildings by the American Institute of Architects. Museum Center’s major offerings at Union Terminal include: Cincinnati History Museum, Cincinnati History Library & Archives, Duke Energy Children’s Museum, Museum of Natural History & Science and Robert D. Lindner Family OMNIMAX® Theater. Museum Center is the largest cultural institution in the city of Cincinnati, with more than 1.5 million visitors per year.

Our permanent and temporary exhibits are supported and complemented by a state-of-the-art collections and research facility, Geier Collections & Research Center, educational programs, teacher professional development programs, day and overnight camps, public lectures and programs, tours of historic sites and community-wide cultural events. Museum Center’s collections, encompassing more than 3 million artifacts, specimens, art works and archives, are incorporated into our exhibitions, research and education programs.

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Vision

Cincinnati Museum Center will be known for its commitment to understanding the richness of our past, present and future by providing world-class learning experiences for children and adults.

Mission

Cincinnati Museum Center inspires people of all ages to learn more about our world through science; regional history; and educational, engaging and meaningful experiences.

As I look back on the past year, our 25th as Cincinnati Museum Center, I am filled with tremendous pride. I have always believed that, at its core, Cincinnati Museum Center brings people, ideas and organizations together to serve Cincinnati’s communities in an engaging and educational way. We present a diverse array of activities for learners of all types, and of all ages.

Our Youth Programs, which have served more than 1,600 young people since 1989, require the collaboration of numerous community leaders and educators who provide opportunities for site visits and job shadowing. These experiences become turning points in a young person’s life.

This year we collaborated with the Folger Shakespeare Library and the American Library Association to bring an exhibition First Folio! The Book That Gave Us Shakespeare to every state in the country. For many, this was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. To be selected by the Folger Shakespeare Library to create and manage this traveling exhibit was truly an honor for our outstanding staff and testament to their talent and expertise.

Our corporate and foundation sponsors and individual donors are vital partners in our success. Thanks to them, Cincinnati Museum Center is uniquely positioned to bring the world to our region through The Art of the Brick, DaVinci - the Genius, OMNIMAX®, Treasures of Travel and so much more.

With renovations underway and parts of Union Terminal closed to the public, partnerships are more important than ever as we bring programming out into the community as we continue to serve our Members and our region. This transformation will demand the kind of entrepreneurial spirit you have come to expect from Cincinnati Museum Center and its partners, and we look forward to exceeding your expectations. There is no better way to mark 25 years of impact in the community than by restoring our beloved Union Terminal to ensure it stands strong and beautiful for the next generation, and well beyond.

What lies ahead? We will continue to strengthen the partnerships we have built, and form new ones that allow us to remain a relevant and indispensable part of the community. We will seek new ways to engage our Members and attract visitors through innovative experiences, while improving the existing programming you have come to know and love.

I hope you enjoy reminiscing about the exhibits and programs of the past year, as much as we enjoyed bringing them to you. Thank you for your patronage and your partnership.

Elizabeth W. Pierce, President and CEO

Letter from the President and CEO
What a Year!

You deserve a round of applause, because we couldn’t have done it without you. Your generosity, service and partnership help us bring world-class, engaging and educational experiences to over a million people each year. Don’t take our word for it. See our impact for yourself!

1,517,417 Visitors

In fiscal year 2015-16 we served visitors from 42 states and 4 countries.

### Total Revenue in FY16

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### Collections space

- 70,000 sq.ft Collections space at our Geier Collections & Research Center
- 16,000 acres Richard & Lucile Durrell Edge of Appalachia Preserve System co-owned and managed with The Ohio Chapter of The Nature Conservancy.

### Learning Labs

- 120 Schools served
- 3,120 underserved people served
- 10,968 people served in the Greater Cincinnati Region; pre-kindergarten to high school

### Programs-on-Wheels

- 931 total program hours
- 22,558 total people served

### Groups & Field Trips

- 183,516 guests
- 90,718 people served in the Greater Cincinnati Region

### OMNIMAX®

- 72 OMNIMAX® Films in our 25 years
- 2,800+ minutes on the Giant Screen

### New Record!

We set a single month Attendance Record
- December 2015
- 223,916 visitors served

### Celebrate!

55,162 visitors celebrated with us on our 25th Anniversary
- Celebration Weekend
- November 6-8, 2015

### Free-Fridays

14,720 visitors served
- July 24, 2015: 4,545
- August 21, 2015: 2,153
- September 11, 2015: 2,153
- October 23, 2015: 2,310
- June 3, 2016: 4,067

### How many gave?

2,868 people and organizations made a gift to Museum Center from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016

### Youth Programs

167 Youth enrolled including incoming youth, They gave:
- 8,379 hours in Cincinnati History Museum
- 8,708 hours in Duke Energy Children’s Museum
- 7,962 hours in Museum of Natural History & Science
- 23,051 total Youth Programs hours served

### Cincinnati Museum Center Radius of Regional Impact by Zip Code

- For the first time since 1979, the 7-foot clock on the face of Union Terminal begins keeping time again

- Cincinnati Museum of Natural History and Cincinnati Historical Society announce plans to move into Union Terminal as the Cincinnati Heritage Center

### January 1985

- 25 years of discovery

- 1988
Our Youth Programs Prepare Students for College and Beyond

Among the many responsibilities a community has to its members, helping young people succeed is one of the most crucial. That is the aim of Cincinnati Museum Center’s Youth Programs, which began in 1989 as a volunteer program with just two students. Since then it has evolved into a youth development program that has served more than 1,600 of Cincinnati’s high schoolers, who have in turn spent more than 250,000 hours volunteering at Cincinnati Museum Center, including 23,051 last year.

This year 167 high school students participated, including 16 graduating seniors who received a fond sendoff from their peers and mentors. The program prepares students for success in high school, college and beyond, and boasts a 100 percent high school graduation rate and a 99 percent college enrollment rate. The program shows no signs of slowing down, as 39 new students were welcomed to their first year in the summer of 2015.

Youth Programs students volunteer on the museum floors and in the community and participate in workshops, college visits and skill development with the aim of seeking higher education. They learn to hone their creative and interpersonal skills, as well as gain confidence that will serve them for the rest of their lives. For many, exploring the possibility of higher education is new territory.

During their volunteer time, students work alongside museum professionals as they engage the community, allowing them to develop their skills while also cultivating an appreciation for community service. Activities include greeting visitors, interpreting exhibits and facilitating hands-on demonstrations, which prepares them to succeed in future work environments. Upon reaching 250 hours of volunteer service, the students become eligible to apply for a paid position with Cincinnati Museum Center—a great way for students to earn money while gaining valuable experience for their future resumes.

Students also enjoy experiences in the field that could lay the groundwork for future career paths. They have the opportunity to explore other museums and geology field schools, shadow business and industry professionals, and participate in diversity and leadership development workshops.

Special thanks to:
JPMorgan Chase; American Honda Foundation; Best Buy Children’s Foundation; Enterprise Holdings Foundation; Newman’s Own Foundation; Liberty Mutual Foundation; Ohio National Foundation; Murray & Agnes Seasongood Good Government Foundation; Stetson Foundation, Fifth Third Bank, Trustee; SummerTime Kids Fund of the Greater Cincinnati Foundation; The Louise Taft Semple Foundation; and Wyler Family Foundation.

In Their Own Words: Parents and Students Talk About the Value of Youth Programs

“I can’t thank you enough for pulling [my daughter] out of her shell. Julia still, to this day, talks about what Mr. Calvin or Ms. Isabelle would have done or what they would have advised her to do. [Her] fondest memories of her high school years involve the Youth Programs and all that she experienced while she was there.”

– Sherri Snodgrass, Youth Programs parent

“At 13, I didn’t really understand why I had to volunteer at a place that made me wear a uniform, and wear it correctly: badge, belt, watch and your shirt tucked. Looking back on it, I realize that the museum was my foundation. I was given opportunities that many kids don’t get. The most memorable trip for me would be New Orleans. I learned that the world is so much bigger than my small hometown. That is one of the reasons I chose to leave Ohio for school. I am currently a student at Tuskegee University and I probably wouldn’t have chosen this school if I weren’t a part of the Youth Programs.”

– Tijuana McCrary, Youth Programs participant, Class of 2016

“My son is high functioning autistic. He struggled academically and socially during elementary and middle school, which just increased his anxieties. And then his life was transformed. He met and worked with people who were kind and patient. His confidence grew. He learned to talk to strangers, was able to work on making eye contact, and found a perfect way to express his love of history with others. He learned skills that extended beyond the walls of Union Terminal. Some days, visitors to the Cincinnati History Museum would tell him they came because they enjoyed his historical interpretations. By the time he graduated, he’d logged over 1,500 hours as a volunteer and then a paid youth employee; every one of those hours he loved. Today my son is a freshman at the University of Akron studying computer science. He was accepted into their emerging leaders program, their Honors College program and was hired to work the IT help desk. This was not the future I thought he would have before being in the Youth Programs. This program is priceless for families in our community.”

– Kathi Howard, Youth Programs parent

Youth Programs gets its start with two youth volunteers in the Museum of Natural History & Science

Cincinnati Museum Center Opens! Blue Planet premieres in the Robert D. Lindner Family OMNIMAX® Theater

Cincinnati Goes to War opens in the Cincinnati History Museum with a visit from Vice President Dan Quayle

The Cave and Ice Age Trail open in the Museum of Natural History & Science

Cincinnati History Museum, Museum of Natural History & Science, Museum Center Foundation merge operations as Cincinnati Museum Center.

The Duke Energy Children’s Museum opens at Cincinnati Museum Center

Creating science experiments at home and in the classroom

of bullying behavior

Identifying self-esteem and helping children to steer clear

Addressing needs of children with Autism Spectrum Disorder

children with anxiety

Identifying symptoms of anxiety and assisting
grown-ups included:

Workshop topics for
grown-ups included:

Adapting play material for children with physical limitations

Addressing needs of children with Autism Spectrum Disorder

Identifying self-esteem and helping children to steer clear

of bullying behavior

Creating science experiments at home and in the classroom

Workshop presenters included:

Beech Acres Parenting Center
Art Balt Child and Family Research and Education Center
Cincinnati Nature Center
Child in Bloom
MusicTime Studio
CET
Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County
Children's Cognitive Research Lab at the University of Cincinnati
Happen, Inc.

To encourage preschoolers' curiosity and critical thinking, the Early Childhood Science Inquiry Teacher Education (ECSITE) program combined workshops and the Learning Through Play conference for teachers with field trips, outreach programming and Family Nights for their students. ECSITE served more than 400 children and their families from Cincinnati Union Bethel's Head Start programs in 2015.

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Difference Makers: Honoring unsung heroes for outstanding work with children

Can one person really make a difference? For anyone who attended the eighth annual Duke Energy Children’s Museum Difference Makers awards, February 16, 2016, the answer is a resounding, “Yes!” That night the Rotunda was filled with inspiring stories of people who have positively impacted the lives of children. Honorees in five categories were selected from more than 90 nominations across the Greater Cincinnati region. The Reds Community Fund was recognized as the 2016 Community Honoree. Each year they leverage the tradition of the Cincinnati Reds to connect more than 45,000 kids and coaches to baseball-and softball-themed outreach efforts.

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Cincinnati Museum Center Brings the Bard to 50 States

The Folger Shakespeare Library, in partnership with Cincinnati Museum Center and the American Library Association, kicked off a nationwide tour of First Folio! The Book That Gave Us Shakespeare on January 4. The First Folio—the first collected edition of Shakespeare’s plays—was published in 1623, seven years after Shakespeare’s death. Compiled by fellow actors John Heminge and Henry Condell to preserve the plays for future generations, it includes Macbeth, Julius Caesar, Twelfth Night, The Tempest, Antony and Cleopatra, The Comedy of Errors and As You Like It. Many of these plays were not published during Shakespeare's lifetime and would have been lost without this collection.

Cincinnati Museum Center was selected to provide tour management and design expertise, produce graphic panel displays and design and construct climate-controlled cases to house the folios. CMC staff also couriered First Folios during the tour. These timeless works will return to the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, DC, in December 2016.

Visitors viewed artifacts from one of the most important scientific sites in the world when Big Bone Lick: A Place of Discovery opened last fall. Big Bone Lick is considered the birthplace of American paleontology and is the region's premier source for fossils and archaeological artifacts. The exhibit featured casts of a mastodon molar discovered in 1739 and an ancient bison tooth, as well as prehistoric blades that were likely used as spears and knives. From Cincinnati Museum Center's own collection, mastodon tusk fragments, a giant sloth jaw fragment and prehistoric pottery were also on display. Big Bone Lick: A Place of Discovery was offered free to the public in the Ruthven Gallery.

Telling Mammoth Stories About Big Bone Lick

"Cincinnati Museum Center’s strong record of successful touring exhibitions, and their expertise traveling historic artifacts made them an ideal partner for this exhibition," notes Caryn Lazzuri, exhibitions manager at the Folger Shakespeare Library.

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World’s Largest Display of LEGO® Art Attracted Builders, Fans of All Ages

Contemporary artist Nathan Sawaya used LEGO® bricks to create and reimagine the world’s most iconic art, from ancient to modern periods. At Cincinnati Museum Center, The Art of the Brick featured a full-size Easter Island Moai head statue, as well as Van Gogh’s Starry Night and da Vinci’s Mona Lisa. Among the more than 100 works of art was an exclusive Cincinnati-themed piece, Parkopolis, depicting a pink, 9,354-brick flying pig.

To celebrate the exhibit and showcase Cincinnati’s own brick-building talent, Museum Center held monthly Design-and-Build contests in which brick-builders were encouraged to submit their own LEGO® brick creations to be displayed in the gallery.

The exhibit also featured Museum Center’s interactive BRICKOPOLIS with work tables and bins of bricks and ramps to race LEGO® cars. Visitors enjoyed short brick-films and a custom selfie space. The Art of the Brick was great fun for LEGO®-lovers of all ages.

Interactive Da Vinci Experience Immerses Visitors in Innovation

Artist, inventor, engineer, scientist, biologist, musician, architect, and philosopher, Leonardo da Vinci was a self-taught renaissance man, and Cincinnati Museum Center showcased his brilliance this year through Da Vinci – The Genius.

Da Vinci never built many of his inventions, but left behind drawings and writings that included blueprints for some of society’s most impactful inventions. Da Vinci – The Genius featured more than 70 life-size inventions, each crafted by Italian artisans using the same techniques and materials that were available to da Vinci in the Renaissance period. Visitors pushed, pulled and cranked these hands-on pieces to gain a better understanding of the science behind the genius.

The exhibit also included the most in-depth analysis ever undertaken on da Vinci’s most iconic painting. Secrets of the Mona Lisa were exposed through research conducted at the Louvre Museum by Pascal Cotte, who attended the exclusive premiere at Cincinnati Museum Center on May 19, 2016. His findings were revealed in 40 super-magnified, high-resolution images exploring every aspect of the masterpiece.

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The historic Duke Energy Holiday Trains debut in their new home in the Cincinnati History Museum, continuing a Cincinnati holiday tradition that originated in 1946

The oldest known surviving Ten Commandments scroll is displayed for 18 days in the exhibit Dead Sea Scrolls: Life and Faith in Ancient Times, the longest it has ever been displayed outside of Israel
OMNIMAX® National Parks Adventure: 100th Anniversary To Remember

The majesty of our national parks has never before been captured in such a grand way for the only screen large enough to truly showcase the untamed beauty of our nation’s wilderness.

National Parks Adventure opened in the Robert D. Lindner Family OMNIMAX® Theater as the U.S. National Park Service turned 100 this year. The film, narrated by Robert Redford, follows the beauty of our nation’s wilderness. It’s grandiose landscapes were the perfect way to leave audiences eager for the theater’s re-opening.

Treasures of Travel: Cincinnatians Collect valued spaces it protects. The exhibit featured wooden masks, bronze figurines and ceremonial drums from Africa, elaborate featherwork from the Amazon and a wooden blowgun dart container, wooden spear and woven baskets from Malaysia. Locales from the Americas were represented as well, with handmade objects from the collections of Marion Palmer and Marie L. K. Willison, who visited the Pueblo, Navajo, Hopi and Apache Native American tribes.

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Artifacts of Cincinnati’s Travelers Bring Global Perspective

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Diana, A Celebration opens, the final stop of the exhibit’s 11-year world tour

February 2014
Cincinnati Mini Maker Faire

Cincinnati Mini Maker Faire brought together amateur and professional inventors, artists, crafters, chemists, authors and performers of all ages and backgrounds to show off their gadgets and inventions. At the intersection of science and creativity, this event showcased the work of our region’s most talented, innovative makers.

1940s Weekend

Pin curls, big band music and vintage boxing took visitors back in time for a nostalgic 1940s Weekend in August 2015. Classic cars parked outside Union Terminal and music of the era by The Sugar Pills, P&G Big Band, Jump-N-Jive Swing Band and more filled the Rotunda inside one of Cincinnati’s most treasured 1940s artifacts—Union Terminal itself! Two Holocaust survivors shared their stories of resilience and survival, reminding us all that history must never be forgotten.

World Culture Festival

World Culture Festival highlighted many cultures that have influenced the food, art, stories, music and dance we love today. Visitors experienced performances, crafts, demonstrations and hands-on activities with cultural roots in Asia, Africa, North and South America and Europe. Over a dozen vendors sold baked goods and handcrafted items.

Celebrate the Dream

In January, we honored the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. with Celebrate the Dream. The Rotunda was transformed into an African marketplace with an array of goods, including home décor, cobbler pies, coffee, jewelry, sandals and art. Music, dance and spoken word performances celebrated the vibrancy of African and African American arts and culture. Visitors created their own quilt squares, played drums and spoke with Tuskegee Airmen to learn about their living legacy.

FossilFest

FossilFest on October 17, 2015 featured two prehistoric exhibits, Cincinnati under the Sea and Big Bone Lick: A Place of Discovery. Our own paleontologists and community fossil enthusiasts were on hand to share their expertise and teach visitors how to find their own fossils.

BugFest

BugFest on June 4, 2016 marked our 13th annual celebration of insects. With over one million species, these creatures make up more than half of all known living organisms and rightfully deserve their own day at Cincinnati Museum Center. Our team partnered with experts from the University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati Parks, Cincinnati Nature Center and more to showcase the wonder of insects. The event featured cockroach races, insect-inspired jewelry, insect mounting classes, origami butterfly building and bug-themed food.

BatFest

Members of the Greater Cincinnati Grotto dangled from ropes in the Rotunda to celebrate BatFest, which took place on October 24, 2015, just in time for Halloween. Experts from ECHO Bats, Inc. were on hand to separate the facts from the myths about bats while Cincinnati Parks’ Explore Nature! conducted hands-on activities.
A Legacy of Generosity

Making a gift through your estate is a great way to balance your financial needs while making a meaningful impact on Cincinnati Museum Center. The Legacy Society recognizes those who have chosen to support Museum Center in this way, and we are honored by their generosity.

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In Memoriam

Barbara C. Ebel

Museum Center lost a devoted volunteer this year with the passing of Barb Ebel. David Conzett, Curator of History Objects said, “She was the most dependable volunteer I’ve had in my 27 years at Museum Center.” Barb wore several hats, providing 16 years of volunteer service to History Object Collections, Cincinnati History Museum, Special Programs & Exhibits and the Friends of Cincinnati Museum Center.

George H. Perbix, Sr.

Trustee Emeritus George Perbix was very generous to Cincinnati Museum Center with his time, talent and treasure over many decades. George brought his management expertise from a highly successful career over 35 years at Procter & Gamble to his service on the Board of Trustees. He played a significant role in bringing the separate entities under one roof. Together with his wife Jean, who survives him, the Perbixes made three planned gifts to help ensure the institution’s future.

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Celebrating Volunteers: Sharing the Gift of Time

Cincinnati Museum Center volunteers are the backbone of our success. This year 717 youth and adult volunteers recorded 76,677 hours of their time greeting visitors, processing artifacts, assisting guests and serving on boards and committees. Their commitment is an invaluable gift, but if we were to put a dollar value on it, their collective efforts are worth $1,806,510. Thank you!

For a complete list of volunteers, please visit cincymuseum.org.

Mercedes Spiegel Award For Dedication to Volunteering 400+ Hours in a Calendar Year

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photo by Howard Huff
As Union Terminal celebrated its 83rd birthday on March 31, 2016, historic preservation architects were already examining masonry, steel beams and artwork throughout the structure in preparation for the building’s restoration. As preservation architects, designers and construction crews prepare to restore Union Terminal, their focus is on repairing water damage and natural deterioration that has taken its toll over the past eight decades. They will clean and fortify rusting steel, repair and replace damaged masonry and replace outdated mechanical and electrical systems. All of this will make the building more efficient to operate and ensure that its iconic silhouette remains a mainstay of the skyline and the legacy of Cincinnati Museum Center continues for another quarter century and beyond.

With excitement and anticipation, we’ve packed our final boxes. Your visit to Cincinnati Museum Center might be a little different until the restoration is complete, but we will continue to provide you with outstanding learning experiences. Don’t forget to join us beyond the museum walls for community programs during the restoration of Union Terminal.

Visit myunionterminal.com for ongoing construction updates.

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- Hamilton County Sales Tax $175,700,000
- Federal Historic Tax Credits $3,250,000
- State Historic Tax Credits $3,250,000
- Private Philanthropy $7,500,000
- State of Ohio Capital Grant $3,250,000

**Total** $212,700,000

**Project Funding Uses**
- Construction Costs $135,432,000
- Architect Fees $17,250,000
- Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment $4,500,000
- Professional Fees $2,400,000
- Financing Costs $5,000,000
- Permit & Insurance $4,250,000
- Ramp Facilities $5,250,000
- Underground Utilities / Structural & Construction $6,699,940
- UCTC/ULU/LCM Renovation $562,000
- OF Task Force Pre-funded $4,000,000

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**The project scope and funding is exclusively for the full structural restoration and repair of Union Terminal. It does not include updating or adding exhibits within the museum.**

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