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Ice-Free Skating Rink Opens at the Sacramento Children's Museum

Sacramento, CA – Looking to participate in a wintry family activity without having to bundle up for the cold? **The Sacramento Children's Museum is opening its ice-free sock skating rink to all visiting families from January 2 - 15, 2024!** The installation is free to all guests with admission.

Guests can skip the runny noses, cold hands and danger of a traditional rink thanks to a high-tech synthetic polymer surface that allows skating without blades. Guests will be welcome to wear their own socks, and shoe covers will be provided for those without them.

"Sock skating is the ideal environment for beginning skaters to experience this winter tradition. Our visitors will enjoy active play as they get the chance to slide, glide, twirl, and jump as if they were on real ice." says Sharon Stone Smith, Executive Director of the Sacramento Children's Museum.

After trying out their skating skills, museum guests will also be welcome to participate in activities and storytimes themed around this wintry tradition. All activities, as well as the rink, are free with regular museum admission.

We hope to see you at our Sock Skating Rink! Interested visitors can learn more at sackids.org.

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The Sacramento Children's Museum (SCM) was incorporated as a non-profit corporation in 2005. SCM seeks to build an environment in which learning is exciting and enriching for children and their families and facilitated through exploration and hands-on activities. Built by Roebbelen Contracting, Inc., the Museum opened to the public on August 25, 2011. In 2021, the museum expanded to include the entire original building thanks to a donation from the City of Rancho Cordova. The expansion

increased storage, classroom and office space and added 3,000 square feet of exhibit space, which has hosted traveling exhibits and Leo's Learning Lab. With the regular addition of new hands-on experiences, programs and activities, SCM aims to inspire all children through play-based learning.

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