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We have a rare opportunity to make a generational investment in the quality of life for children and families in the region.



Here is How to Help

- Share the vision with friends
- Connect us to individuals that can help promote MCCM
- Write your council member and tell them you want a Children's Museum in Nashville
- Shop Amazon Smile
- Host a Community Event

Hispanic Heritage Month Discussing Diversity The M & M Experiment

"One of the best multicultural activities for pre-schoolers and younger kids is the M&M Experiment. This chocolate sweet is a great way to talk to your kids about how everyone is the same on the inside, although we may look different on the outside. Show the kids the different colored M&M's, and then break them all in half so they can see."

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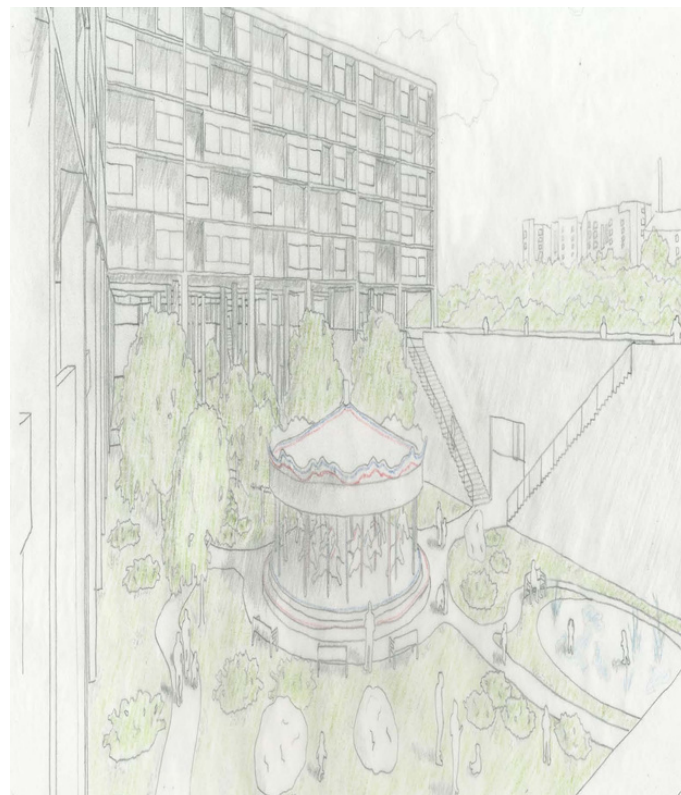
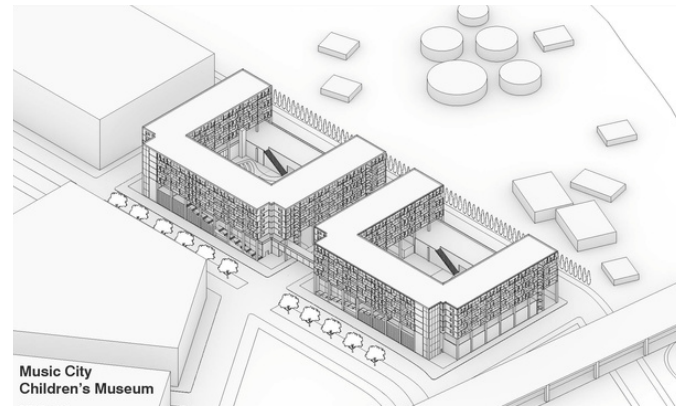
Design IX: Provocations by the UT College of Architecture

We are so pleased to announce a collaboration with Zach Dulin, a student of Professor TK Davis of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, School of Architecture, for a design of the Music City Children's Museum. Professor Davis has been at UTK since 1994, teaching with a focus on urban design and theory. He has strong ties to Nashville, serving as Design Director at the Civic Design Center from 2004-2008. He has written numerous articles addressing the city's urban design issues and opportunities.

Students in the professor's ARCH 496-S class were randomly assigned parcels on Nashville's East Bank and then allowed to choose what they wanted to design in that location. **Zach, whose mother is a teacher, has chosen to design the children's museum as an integral part of an education-focused development, including affordable housing for teachers. His site is in the Shelby's Bend neighborhood and close to Cumberland Park.**

This past May, Zach and a team of fellow students won first place in an annual competition that showcases UT student's research and creative activities in collaboration with faculty mentors. A key element of his current project is the responsibility of the architect to understand the needs of the client. We have already had fruitful conversations and interactions with Zach, who showed a clear understanding of what's important to include in the play-based learning environment of a children's museum.

We had the chance to see his first renderings and to comment on them at a recent design review; he did an outstanding presentation. We are grateful to Zach, to Professor Davis, and to the Civic Design Center for this chance to see the museum vision so well represented.



Upcoming Events



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Corner Quotes

"Cities that offer children's museums are always a priority for us when we travel as a family. Children's museums are an excellent way to educate visitors on what makes that city unique and incorporate it with play. Children's museums are an investment in the community as well as those who visit each year. They are a way to showcase local businesses, musicians, artists, and restaurants as well. We are glad to continue supporting cities that prioritize opportunities for children." Abby

Share your thoughts with us!
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