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Doc McStuffins: The Exhibit
Opens at The Strong® Museum
February 9

Experience the imaginative, bi-lingual ***Doc McStuffins: The Exhibit***, opening at [The Strong museum \(http://www.museumofplay.org\)](http://www.museumofplay.org) on **Saturday, February 9**. Be magically transported to the backyard of six-year-old Dottie “Doc” McStuffins, where she cares for broken toys and stuffed animals. Enter the backyard clinic, assume the role of a doctor-in-training, and learn lessons about healthy habits, empathy, and nurturing in unique hospital environments:

Reception Area: hear messages of encouragement from Doc and friends Hallie, Stuffie, and Lambie at the reception area. Then grab a lab coat and join the hospital staff to perform check-ups and diagnose toy patients with ailments such as loose stitching or low batteries.

Emergency and Operating Room: give your toys a check-up using a variety of tools, such as a stethoscope (to listen to hearts) and otoscope (to see in ears, noses, and throats). Digitally enter their diagnosis and track it using the Big Book of Boo Boos tablet. Wash up in the scrub sink and get ready to surgically repair your toy. Practice mending a ripped toy by using a string to close the open seam and puff up a sagging, inflatable toy with an air pump.

Nursery: be welcomed by the lovable Lambie and take on the role of a caregiver for baby animals. Give the babies a bath and change their diapers before taking them through a naptime routine. Rock them in a mini-rocking chair, give them a warm bottle, and turn on soothing lullabies. After, tuck the babies into their cribs and adjust the lights.

Pet Vet: put your pet toys in a CAT scan machine to diagnose their illnesses. Follow the recommended treatment to make them better. Give your pets a pretend bath, put them under the dryer, and then use combs and brushes to get them looking their best. Find the assigned shelter for your pets and place them there to rest. Crank a kinetic energy wheel to recharge Squibbles, a dog who barks and wiggles once he’s been re-energized. Clean the hospital fish tank by removing old water and adding new, clear water. Then feed toy fish by working balls of food through a gravity maze.

The [exhibit \(http://www.museumofplay.org/exhibits/doc-mcstuffins-the-exhibit\)](http://www.museumofplay.org/exhibits/doc-mcstuffins-the-exhibit) remains on view through May 27 and is included with general museum admission fees. Presented in the Fidelis Care Gallery at The Strong. *Doc McStuffins: The Exhibit* is produced by The Children’s Museum of Indianapolis and presented by Riley Hospital for Children at Indiana University Health. Disney character live appearances are not part of the exhibit. © Disney.

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Museum Hours: Monday–Thursday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sunday, noon to 5 p.m.

General Admission Fees (does not include admission to *Dancing Wings Butterfly Garden*®): age 2 and older \$16, under age 2 free, members free. Fees subject to change.

Admission to *Dancing Wings Butterfly Garden*: General Admission fee plus \$4 for members, \$5 for nonmembers, under age 2 free. Entry is by timed ticket only. Fees subject to change.

Parking: Free parking is available at the museum for all guests on a first-come, first-served basis during regular museum hours. Please note that, on high visitation days, the museum lot may reach capacity early in the day. If space is not available on site at the time of your visit, additional parking is available at neighboring municipal garages for a fee. The Strong is not responsible for fees incurred at off-site locations.