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science+industry
chicago

What's New

007 Science: Inventing the World of James Bond Closes October 27, 2024

Discover the ways in which the James Bond moviemakers harness scientific thinking to craft 007's iconic gadgets and vehicles, and how they employ physics, chemistry, engineering and mathematics to create thrilling stunts and action sequences. • Main Level 2

Black Creativity: Juried Art Exhibition Closes April 21, 2024

The nation's longest-running exhibition of African American art features over 100 works by professional and youth artists. • Main Level 2

Must-See Exhibits

Pioneer Zephyr

Explore a new story about one of the fastest trains in the world in a renovated exhibit showcasing its legacy and impact on the future of transportation. • Entry Hall

U-505 Submarine Exhibit + On-board Tour

The world-famous U-505 is the centerpiece of an unforgettable exhibit. Experience the Battle of the Atlantic, the U-505's capture and more. An optional on-board tour allows you to explore the U-505 from fore to aft. Allow 30 minutes prior to your scheduled tour time to explore the exhibit. • Lower Level 1 • *On-board tour requires a timed-entry ticket and is not accessible to wheelchairs or strollers.*

Colleen Moore's Fairy Castle

Experience the enchantment of this one-of-a-kind castle that has called MSI home since 1949. • Lower Level 1

Coal Mine

Descend a mine shaft, take a ride on the *Coal Mine* train, and learn the evolution of the technology of coal mining in this 30-minute guided walking tour. • Main Level 2 • *Timed-entry ticket required. Not accessible to wheelchairs or strollers.*

Science Storms

Investigate the science behind nature's power as you understand the dynamics of a 40-foot tornado, see an avalanche in motion, and more. • Main Level 2

Transportation Gallery

Witness how humankind has flown, soared, sped, and chugged throughout the years with this awe-inspiring collection of planes, trains, and automobiles. Don't miss *The Great Train Story's* 20 trains on a cross-country journey. • Main Level 2 and Balcony Level 3

The Blue Paradox

This experience explores the impact plastic pollution has on our ocean ecosystems and the planet. Through mind-blowing visuals, provocative data, and emotional storytelling, the Blue Paradox makes the ocean plastics crisis – and the collective actions needed to address it – relevant and relatable. • Main Level 2 • *Free with timed-entry ticket available at the exhibit entrance.*



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More Favorites

Genetics + Baby Chick Hatchery

Learn about DNA, discover what makes us unique, and watch as baby chicks peck out of their shells. • Main Level 2

Numbers in Nature: A Mirror Maze

Navigate a giant mirror maze and discover the mathematical patterns that abound in the natural world. • Main Level 2 • *Free with timed-entry ticket available at the exhibit entrance.*

Interactive Flight and Motion Simulators

Climb aboard and try your skills as a pilot or gunner in the flight simulator or take an exciting virtual trip onboard a six-passenger motion ride experience. • Balcony Level 3 • *Tickets required, available at the simulators. Age, weight, and height requirements apply.*

VR Transporter

Be transported to outer space via VR goggles and exciting motion and 4-D effects. • Balcony Level 3 • *Tickets required, available at the transporter. Age, weight, and height requirements apply.*

Science Experiences

Live Science

Discover interactive science moments with our staff and volunteers throughout the Museum. Investigate the conditions needed to form a vortex, learn how the Tesla coil fires, and more. Visit the Information Desk on Main Level 2 to see what's offered.



Giant Dome Theater

Enjoy a premium theater experience on our newly renovated five-story, domed wraparound screen. Immerse yourself in the brightest, clearest, and most colorful picture we've ever presented. Travel the globe on a scientific adventure without ever leaving your seat. For today's current films and showtimes, please visit a ticket counter or scan this QR code. • Lower Level 1 • *CIBC is the Giant Dome Theater season sponsor. A timed-entry ticket is required for films.*



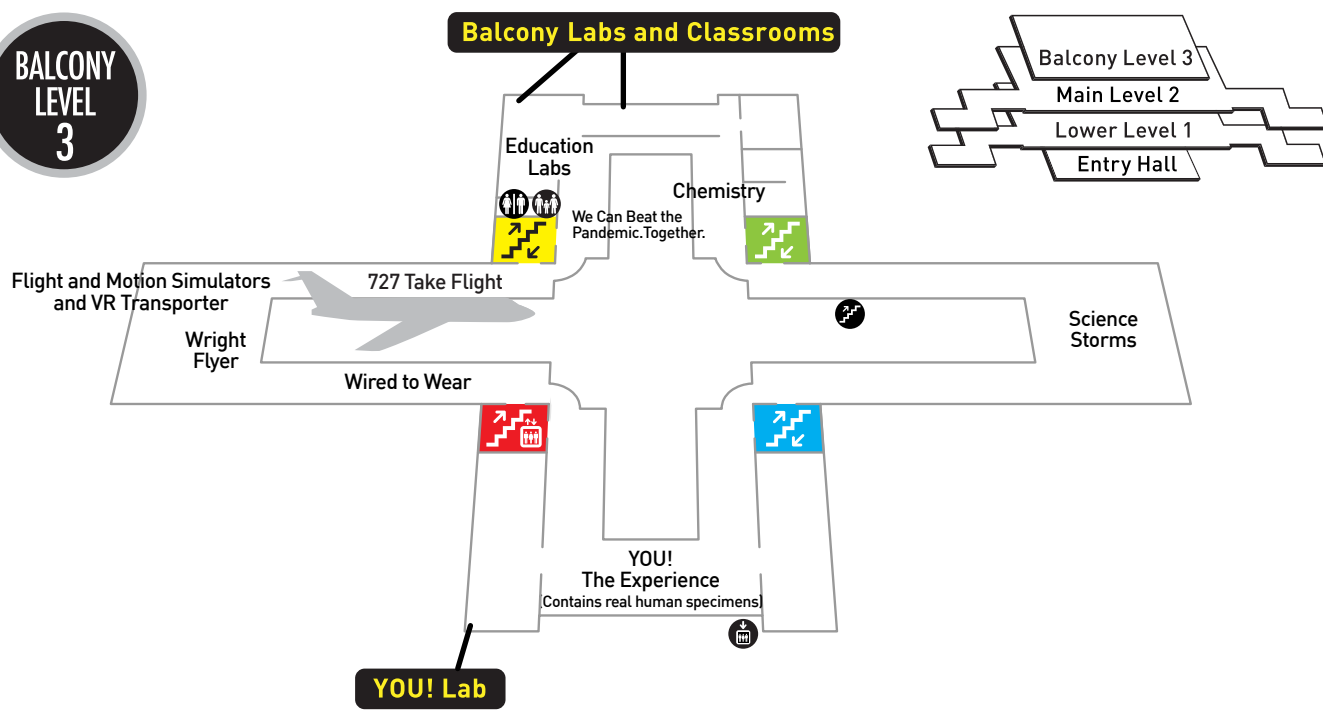
Returning Favorite!

Toymaker

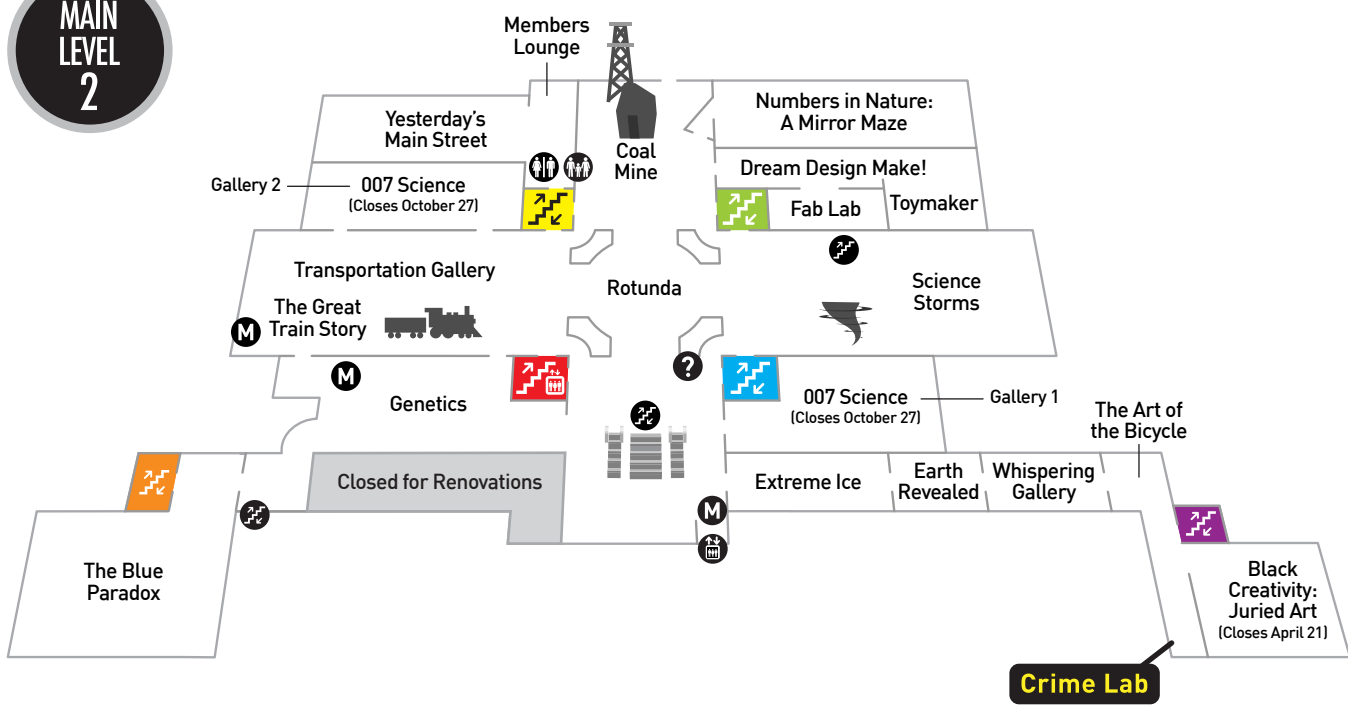
Watch the entire process of manufacturing a toy on this modern assembly line. You'll be able to follow along every step of the way, from parts to packaging. The speed and precision is quite a show in itself – not to mention the dancing and drawing the robots will do while you wait. • Main Level 2



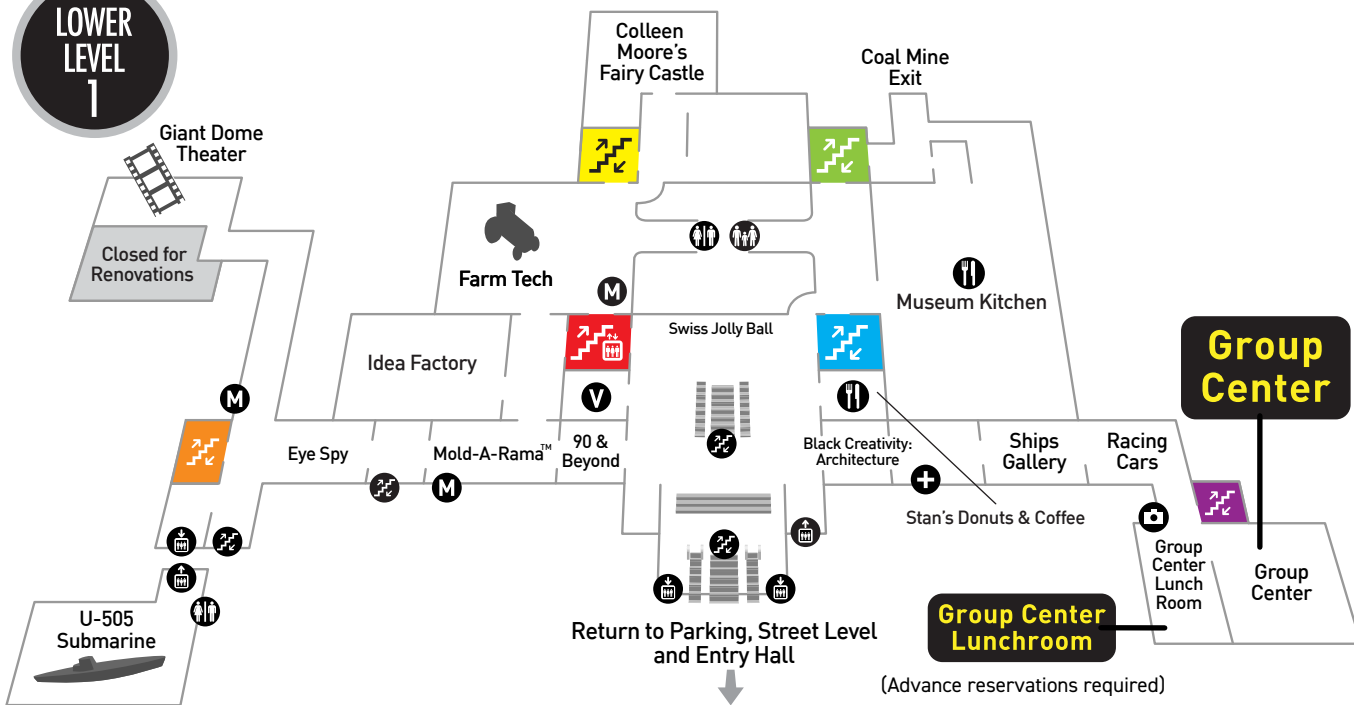
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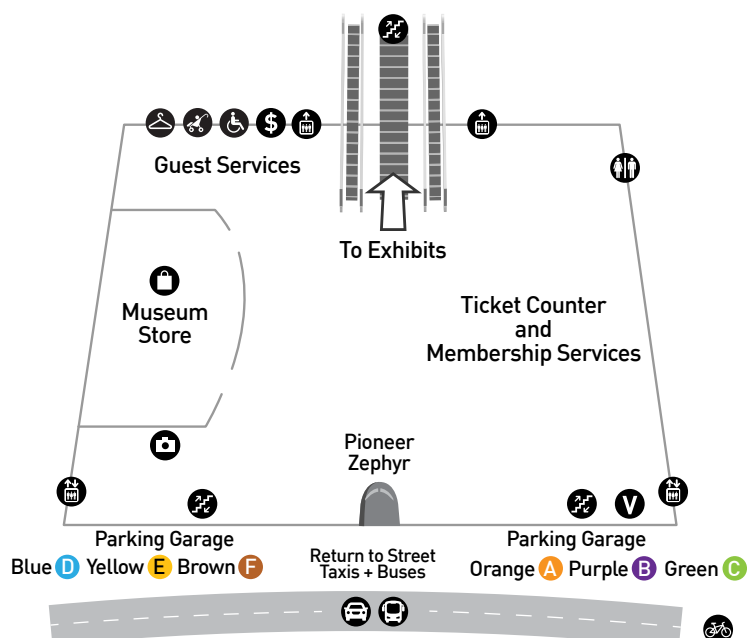
MAIN LEVEL 2



LOWER LEVEL 1



ENTRY HALL



GROUP INFORMATION

Group Center Arrivals

Groups enter and leave through the Group Center, located on Lower Level 1 near the purple stairs. We will store lunches in the Group Center upon arrival, space permitting.

Lunch

Lunchrooms require advance reservations. If you have a reserved time, please arrive at your assigned lunchroom 10 minutes before your scheduled time. Lunches are scheduled back to back in 20-minute blocks. Bag lunches will be delivered to your lunchroom. Groups with bag lunches eat in either the Group Center Lunchroom (Lower Level 1) or West Pavilion Lunchroom (Main Level 2). Seating in Museum Kitchen is for customers who have purchased food there.

Bus Departure

Buses leave from the Group Center. Return to the Group Center before your scheduled time to ensure an on-time departure.

Giant Dome Theater and Ticked Exhibits

Please arrive early at the Giant Dome Theater or any ticketed exhibits or experiences.

Learning Labs

Advance reservations required. Lab Locations are listed below.

- **Balcony Labs**, Balcony Level 3
- **Crime Lab**, Main Level 2
- **Balcony Classroom 1**, Balcony Level 3
- **You! Lab**, Balcony Level 3

AMENITIES

Dining

Find a variety of food choices for everyone at our recently renovated dining locations. Help us maintain our exhibits by eating and drinking in designated areas only.

Museum Kitchen: Offers a variety of options for lunch including salads, sandwiches, soups, and more. Closes 90 minutes prior to Museum closing.

Stan's Donuts: Proudly serving Big Shoulders coffee, Stan's featured donuts, frappes, milkshakes, soups, sandwiches, salads, and snacks. Closes 1 hour prior to Museum closing.

Shopping

There's something for everyone. The Museum Store in the Entry Hall has a variety of merchandise. Launch Pad, located in the Henry Crown Space Center, offers unique space-related products.

First Aid

Notify any uniformed Museum staff member if you need assistance.

Lost and Found

Lost and Found is located at Guest Services in the Entry Hall. You can also contact (773) 753-6862 or coatcheck@msichicago.org.

Child Care Room

MSI welcomes caregivers to nurse and/or feed their child in any public space. If you prefer a semi-private space, one is available in the Idea Factory on Lower Level 1.



Our Commitment

The Museum has an unwavering commitment to diversity and inclusion. We value and respect our diverse guests, volunteers, and staff and expect the same from our guests. Use of inappropriate language and/or behavior will not be tolerated. It may result in removal from the Museum with no refund.

Support MSI

MSI is a non-profit organization and nearly one-third of our operating support comes from charitable gifts. Please support our work to transform lives through the power of science. Visit msichicago.org/donate

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