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READY TO GET SERIOUSLY SILLY?

We are too! Step on in to the whimsical world of Mo Willems and his cast of lovable characters, including best friend duo Elephant and Piggie, faithful companion Knuffle Bunny, and The Pigeon, the wily city bird best known for his antics in *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!* Here, simple stories inspire hours of play and reveal the rich emotional lives of Mo's characters. The challenges of growing up, like learning to make yourself understood or figuring out what it means to be a good friend,

PIGEON

are gentle themes throughout. Along the way, children get to make their own art, surprises abound, and every exploration ends in fits of laughter!

I'M READY!!!

THE PIGEON ARCADE



Hot Dog Launcher

The Pigeon and Duckling both want your hot dog. Who should get it? Line up the launcher, take aim, and THWACK!—try to hit your favorite character. You can make it even more challenging by cranking a wheel to move the targets back and forth.





Cookie Plinko

In this game of patience and coordination, pull carefully on the two handles to steer your precious cookie past the holes to give the Duckling a cookie or send the cookie down the ramp to The Pigeon.











PIGEON PALACE THEATER

Flip Book Movies

With these amazing flip boxes, you can turn a crank to make The Pigeon flap his wings. Faster! Faster! What emotions does he express? What does his body language tell you?



Praxinoscope

As you will see in this early form of animation, Elephant Gerald & Piggie love to dance. Just spin the table top and look in the mirrors: the rapid succession of images creates the illusion of motion. Switch out the dance cards to animate Knuffle Bunny or mix and match your favorite characters.



THE BUS DEPOT



Elephones

We all know how much Elephant Gerald and Piggie love to talk to each other. With this magical phone booth, you can transform your voice into Gerald's—or Piggie's—for a hilarious conversation! Lift the receiver and say anything you want. You will sound just like Gerald (shy and bashful) or just like Piggie (happy and excited).

Wearable Bus

Welcome to the Bus Depot! Strap on a bus and drive through the exhibit, pulling up to all the bus stops along the way. There's even a big bus for grownups!



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The Bus

want to WEAR a bus!

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PIGEONS

LIBRARY ROAD

Step inside a life-size version of the bus from *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!* and dig into your favorite Mo Willems book. Sitting in the driver's seat makes for a perfect photo op!

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THE ART STUDIO

Learn to draw just like Mo Willems. In this flexible Art Studio, you can sketch his characters—or make up your own—at large drawing tables. Light tables let you practice tracing your favorite characters. Simple shapes can be assembled to create such expressive characters! Add color and take home your artwork or add it to the display.





WHERE'S KNUFFLE BUNNY?

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Trixie and Daddy know Knuffle Bunny must be somewhere in the Laundromat, but where? You can help by turning the wheels of the washing machines and uncovering Knuffle Bunny and other funny surprises.

THANK-O-RAMA

In *The Thank You Book*, Piggie wants to thank everyone. But Elephant Gerald is worried Piggie will forget someone ... someone important. Spin the Thank-O-Rama wheel to find out whom you could thank. Then, write a thank you note and add it to the wall. Do it again and again. Now you are a thanking machine!

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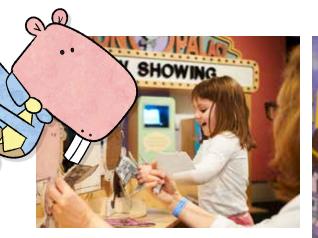
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MONSTER BLOCKS

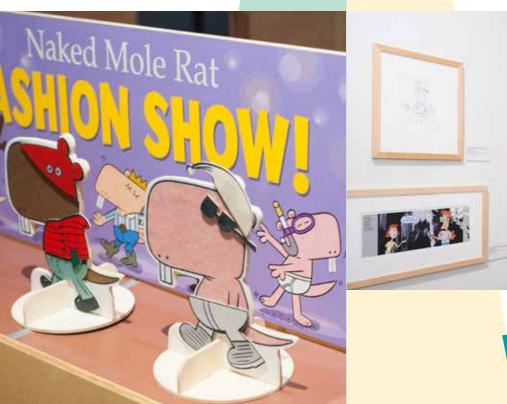
Leonardo is truly a terrible monster—terrible at being a monster, that is. Can you build a better monster? Stack the blocks to create a monster or a funny new friend.





NAKED MOLE RAT FASHION SHOW

Wilbur loves to dress up! Choose a fabulous outfit for him and his Naked Mole Rat pals, then crank the handle to set the conveyor belt in motion. Now they're heading down the runway!







Want to learn more about how Mo Willems creates his books? This special exhibition of 20 framed reproductions of his drawings and sketches illuminates the evolution of his most popular characters.

WAIT AND SEE CARTOON EXPERIENCE

In this special adaptation of the book Waiting Is Not Easy!, Piggie has a surprise for Elephant Gerald, but he is going to have to wait for it. And Wait. And wait some more. This is very hard for Gerald! The three-minute film, which runs on a loop, is an original production included in the exhibition.

SPECIFICATIONS

Size: 2,000 - 2,500 square feet Cost: \$70,000 plus inbound shipping Availability: Call for availability



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