



## Expansion at The Children's Museum of The Lowcountry Receives BAR Approval

**Charleston, S.C., August 28, 2019** – This evening, the Charleston Board of Architectural Review-Large (BAR-L) approved the Children's Museum of the Lowcountry's (CML) plans to build a new play pavilion in the museum's backyard at 25 Ann Street in downtown Charleston. CML announced plans in May 2019 to build the 4,800 square foot pavilion as part of their *Make & Believe* capital campaign.

"We are grateful to the board for their approval of this project that will transform the way children in the Lowcountry play," says Nichole Myles, executive director of the Children's Museum of the Lowcountry. "By providing these play spaces, we are supporting healthy child development, educational opportunities and celebrating the endless potential of childhood."

The pavilion, designed by Liollo Architecture, is complimented by brightly colored skewed steel columns inspired by the childhood game Pick Up Sticks®. The pavilion will allow the museum to add additional exhibit space outdoors, including *Port Go Go Go* and *Lottawatta Island*, and will help create a new front entry and public face for the Museum on Ann Street.

CML is in the final phase of the *Make & Believe* campaign, a \$6.2M campaign to transform the museum with nine new state-of-the-art exhibits and expand play space outdoors with the creation of the play pavilion. If you are interested in donating to CML's *Make & Believe* campaign, please visit [exploreCML.org/make-and-believe](https://exploreCML.org/make-and-believe).

Editor's Note: For a rendering and 3-D model of the play pavilion, visit <https://spaces.hightail.com/space/evveTE4T6A>.

### About Children's Museum of the Lowcountry

The Children's Museum of the Lowcountry is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to engage young children's potential by inviting families of all backgrounds to explore environments and experiences that spark imagination and stimulate curiosity through the power of play. The museum works to address specific needs within the Lowcountry community by partnering with area organizations to develop targeted programs to better to community. For more information about the museum, including hours and admission, visit [exploreCML.org](https://exploreCML.org).

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