



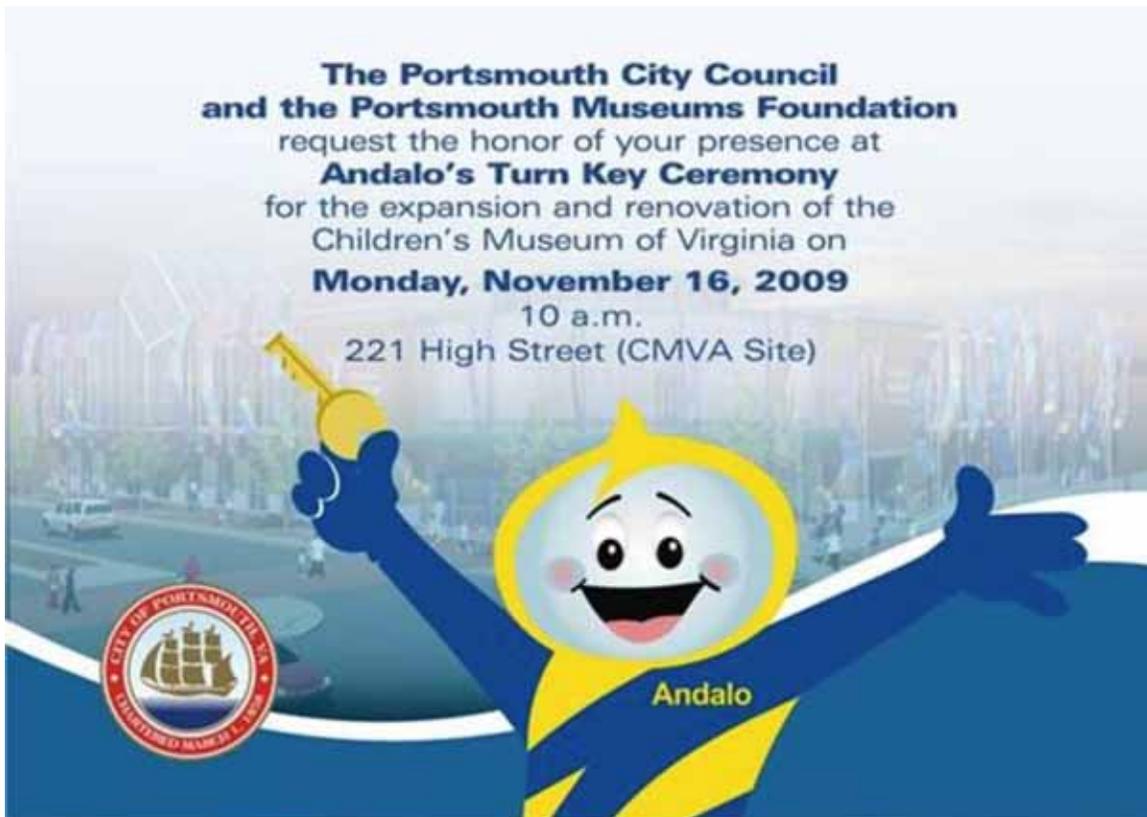
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**Make plans to attend this “groundbreaking” experience
November 16th at 10 a.m.**

Portsmouth, VA -- The Children’s Museum of Virginia will undergo an exciting renovations and expansion project of an additional 12,000 square feet of space, increasing the total square footage to 70,000, including support and administrative functions. Upon completion of the project in approximately 16 to 18 months, the Children’s Museum of Virginia will have:

- Over 100 interactive exhibits in 17 exhibit areas.
- A relocated, more visible entrance at the corner of Middle and High Street.
- New school bus drop-off area on King Street at the end of the Middle Street Mall, and much more!



The Children's Museum of Virginia was originally constructed in 1994 and was located on one floor. The second phase of the Museum was completed in 1999 which included the addition of the second floor. The new project will add a third floor and completely renovate and expand the first and second floors. The first floor of the Museum will center around role-play in a town environment. The second floor will be developed around three themes: Science, the Environment, and Art.

During the renovations and expansion project, the Children's Museum of Virginia is located at 420 High Street as Andalo's Clubhouse, named in honor of the Museum's blue and gold mascot, Andalo. Andalo's Clubhouse still offers the same fun the Children's Museum has provided for years, such as birthday parties and Family Fun Days, and is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays. The Museum is closed on Mondays, except Monday holidays.

For more information on the Children's Museum of Virginia, call (757) 393-5258 or visit www.childrensmuseumva.com

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