#### **Indoor Play Activities in Columbus**

This comprehensive list is adapted from the Columbus Mom's Blog page. Indoor activities include playgrounds, lazer tag, trampoline parks, bounce houses, play cafes, arcades, escape rooms, bowling alleys, indoor golf, climbing and gymnastics gyms, ice skating and roller skating rinks, swimming pools, go carts, batting cages, craft places, museums, nature centers, libraries and more!)

(https://columbus.citymomsblog.com/activities/guide-to-indoor-play-areas-in-columbus/)

#### **Indoor Playgrounds**

#### **Recreations Outlet**

Features: A spacious play area with playground equipment, trampolines, basketball and more. They offer pay-to-play times and charitable play on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 am – 11 am for \$2 per child.

Address: 484 W Olentangy/Powell Road, Powell, OH 43065

#### **Galaxy Games & Golf**

Features: a three-story, 3500 square foot indoor playground (socks are required) and exciting arcade games.

Address: 3700 Interchange Rd, Columbus, OH 43204

#### **KidsGym Playland at Magic Mountain (Polaris)**

Features: A play area where kids can climb that has interactive elements for children under 58 inches (socks required), arcade games. Check out the \$5 Fun Day Special that runs through March and other promotions here: Special Deals.

Address: 8350 Lyra Drive, Columbus, OH 43240

#### **Graeters**

Features: The play area is perfect for children 9 and younger; featuring multiple slides and plenty of room to play and (of course) yummy ice cream. Bring socks or they have them for sale. FREE!

Address: 2555 Bethel Road, Columbus, Ohio 43220

Fun in the Jungle

Features: Play Jungle, Arcade, Mini Bowling and a Virtual Reality Center. The Play Place consists of two

areas, one for toddlers and one for older children. The toddler area includes a soft play zone and a small

climbing structure with a tunnel and a slide.

Address: 345 McGill Street, Sunbury, Ohio 43074

We Rock the Spectrum

Features: A safe, nuturing, and sensory friendly environment for infants through 13 years of age. Gym

equipment, arts and crafts area with beading and painting as well. The gym includes swings, crash mats,

zip lines, trampolines, indoor play structure, and sensory-based toys.

Address: 1250 E Powell Road, Lewis Center, Ohio 43035

**Central Park Playground** 

Features: FREE open play on Thursdays and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. with slides and

climbing tunnels.

Address: 471 E. College Ave., Westerville, Ohio, 43081

**Naz Playplace** 

Features: Open play with tunnels and slides. Sock must be worn and there is story hour on Tuesday. You

can register online beforehand to save time! There is a spot to get coffee inside too

FREE!

Address: 4770 Hoover Road, Grove City, Ohio 43123

**Grange Insurance Audubon Center** 

Features: Weekly story times with play cave, room with turtles, frogs and other water creatures,

puppets and a climbing structure. FREE!

Address: 505 W. Whittier St. Columbus, Ohio 43215

## **Vineyard Community Center**

Features: Open for play from 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturdays 9:00 a.m. –

2:00 p.m. (ages 4-11) FREE!

Address: 6000 Cooper Road, Westerville, Ohio 43081

## **Westerville Community Center**

Features: A free indoor playground that includes a slide. The large climbing wall is opened limited hours and has a fee. Check out the details here: Zenith Climbing Wall. The indoor pool is open for residents and non-residents and has a lazy river, slides, fountains, shallow play area and more. Find out more about hours and pricing here: Watering Hole.

Address: 350 N. Cleveland Ave., Westerville, OH 43082

#### **Lazer Tag**

#### **Lazer Kraze**

Features: Laser tag, zero gravity inflatables, and a huge arcade. The Gahanna location also offers a trampoline park. Read more about all the fun here: Lazer Kraze

Lewis Center Address: 459 Orange Point Dr., Lewis Center, Ohio 43035

Gahanna Address: 5524 N Hamilton Road, Gahanna, Ohio 43230

#### Coliseum X

Features: Extreme laser tag that is designed for ages 8 and up and has different urban themed arenas and over 50 missions.

Address: 100 Dillmont Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43235

### **Trampoline Parks**

## Rockin' Jump

Features: Jump Arena, Slam Dunk Zone, and Dodgeball.

Address: 1220 County Line Road, Westerville, Ohio 43081

#### The Bounce Club

Features: Open jump, fit jump workout classes, and jump and tumble classes. Bounce socks are required and cost \$3. You can bring them back each time you come!

Address: 3967 Presidential Parkway, Powell, Ohio 43065

#### **Get Air**

Features: Various open jump times and also deals with Tree of Life Play Cafe that is connected to this trampoline park.

Address: 3708 Fishinger Blvd., Columbus, Ohio 43026

### **Sky Zone**

Features: Foam Pit, Trampoline Park with freestyle bouncing and dodgeball.

Address: 459 Orange Point Dr. E, Lewis Center, Ohio 43035

### **Trampoline Xtreme**

Features: You can purchase 30 minutes at a time to jump at this trampoline park. They also have Homeschool Hop, Sensory Nights, and Special Needs Jump.

Address: 5746 Chantry Drive, Columbus, Ohio, 43232

**Bounce Houses & More** 

**Blue Monkey** 

Features: 5 inflatables, sports arena and dual slide, obstacle courses, bounce fun house, as well as

carnival games and green screen technology.

Address: 591 Hill Road N., Pickerington, Ohio 43147

**SuperGames** 

Features: Open play times during the holidays and school observance days. This spot has an array of

bounces houses and inflatable slides, obstacle courses, interactive activities and air hockey.

Address: 535 Lakeview Plaza Blvd. B, Columbus Ohio 43085

**World of Bounce** 

Features: Gigantic inflatables to entertain you! \$5 Mondays and also Family Night on Wednesday that

includes pizza for everyone for \$35.

Address: 5354 N. Hamilton Road, Columbus, Ohio 43230

**Play Cafes** 

**Peapod Play Cafe** 

Features: Life-sized play sets that include an ice cream truck, tea house, and kitchen for children who are

walking- age 7. Locally roasted coffee for parents too!

Address: 4874 Thompson Road, New Albany, Ohio 43230

**Piccadilly** 

Features: Educational play and dramatic play areas designed to entertain a variety of age groups. They

also offer a soft spot for crawlers, a variety of classes, and drop off options as well.

Address: 2501 E Main Street, Bexley, Ohio 43209

**Firefly Play Cafe** 

Features: Their space if geared towards kids aged 6 years and younger. Play scooters, bounce house,

magnets, train table just to name a few!

Address: 4822 N High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43214

Tree of Life Play + Cafe

Features: Multi level tunnels, a ball pit, slide and interactive floor games. You can also jump at Get Air

for toddler hour on Tuesday and Thursday and have admission to the play cafe for \$10.

Address: 3708 Fishinger Rd. Hilliard, Ohio 43026

**Coffee Connections** 

Features: Located on Hilliard's Main Street in an old white farmhouse lives a cute little coffee shop with a free play area in the back building for family and friends to enjoy a great cup of coffee while the little

ones play.

Location: 4004 Main St, Hilliard, OH 43026

**Arcade Games** 

Dave & Buster's

Features: Load up a power card and play your favorite games! Plenty to do for adults too and a

restaurant to eat at.

Polaris Address: 1554 Polaris Parkway Unit 206, Columbus Ohio, 43240

Hilliard Address: 3665 Park Mill Run Dr, Hilliard, Ohio 43026

**Level One Arcade** 

Features: Travel back to the 80's with their legendary game choices! Check the hours that children are

allowed.

Address: 130 Hutchinson Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43235

#### 16 Bit

Features: 40 classic games with hours during the day that are appropriate for kids.

Address: 254 South 4th Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215

#### Chuck E. Cheese's

Features: Lots of arcade games for all ages.

Address (3 locations): 2711 Martin Rd, Dublin, OH 43016 | 3631 Soldano Blvd.Columbus, OH 43228 | 4284 MacswayColumbus, OH 43232

## **Escape Rooms**

## **Trapped**

Features: Central Ohio's only interactive theater specializing in escape games – and the only location to feature three truly immersive escapes (15 and older).

Address: 4310 North High Street Columbus, Ohio

## Lockology

Features: Depending on the room you pick you get to be either a Crime Scene investigator, Ghost Hunter, or and Archaeologist exploring a newly discovered Mayan Temple! 12 and older.

Address: 1625 Bethel Road, Columbus, Ohio 43220

### **The Chamber Escape Room**

Features: Live puzzle game! 8-13 must have an adult present in the room.

Address: 1495 Morse Road, Columbus, Ohio 43229

### **Bowling Alleys**

Star Lanes Polaris

Features: 20 state of the art lanes and game room to keep the kiddos entertained!

Address: 8655 Lyra Drive, Columbus Ohio 43240

## Tin Pin Alley in Hilliard

Features: The newly renovated space is amazing! Bowling, Bocce, arcade games, delicious food and

Laser Tag fun for the family! Check out the daily specials: Ten Pin Alley Specials

Address: 5499 Ten Pin Alley, Hilliard, Ohio 43026

### Pins Mechanical (Dublin and Downtown)

Features: Foosball, Pinball, Duckpin, Ping-Pong, and Shuffleboard. Lots of fun for all!

Columbus Address: 141 North 4th Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dublin Address: 6558 Riverside Drive, Dublin, Ohio 43017

#### Rule 3

Features: 14 bowling lanes, mini-bowling, arcade and restaurant. In the summer months, there is live music on the outdoor stage on Friday and Saturday nights.

Address: 650 Windmiller Dr., Pickerington, OH 43147

## **Plain City Lanes**

Features: 10 Lane Bowling Center with great pizza packages!

Address: 325 S Jefferson Ave. Plain City, Ohio 43064

#### **AMF Sawmill Lanes**

Features: Video walls inside of 52 lanes, free wifi, and arcade so that good times can be had by all!

Address: 4825 Sawmill Road, Columbus, Ohio 43235

### **Gahanna Lanes**

Features: Bowling, mini golf, and a variety of gaming options.

Address: 215 W Johnstown Road, Columbus, Ohio 43230

## **Indoor Golf**

#### **Glow Putt**

Features: Premier glow putt mini golf course on your own safari.

Address: 161 Granville Street, Gahanna, Ohio

### Miner 49er

Features: Black Light Miniature Golf

Address: 1558 W 3rd Ave. B, Columbus Ohio 43212

# **Climbing, Gymnastics and Fitness**

#### **Movement Lab**

Features: Elite obstacle courses, ninja warrior training, and kids camps and open gym (ages 5-12)

Address: 400 Lazelle Rd. #4, Columbus, Ohio 43240

#### **Kinetic Fitness**

Features: For rock wall climbers of all levels with bouldering walls, tug-o-war, and kids fitness programs.

Address: 717 Hadley Drive, Columbus, Ohio

## The Jungle Gymnastics

Features: The Jungle Gym Adventure Center in Delaware is Central Ohio's most unique gymnastics and parkour facility with rock climbing, ropes, slack line and more. Open playtime every Tuesday and Saturday 10 AM till 12 noon for \$5- \$10 per child.

Address: 755 Highway 23 N A Delaware, Ohio 43015

## Wendy's Gymnastics

Features: Gymnastic classes for ages 1-12, along with open gym, kids day out programs, and toddler playdates.

Address: 2460 Wood Ave. Columbus, Ohio 43221

### **Ice & Roller Rinks**

Skate Zone 71

Features: Roller and Inline Skating, Lasertag, special guest character appearances and many family events!

events.

Address: 4900 Evanswood Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43229

#### The Chiller

Features: Hockey, Public Skating, Figure Skating, and Friday Night Meltdown for teens!

Dublin Address: 7001 Dublin Park Drive, Dublin, Ohio 43016

Easton Address: 3600 Chiller Lane, Columbus, Ohio 43219

Chiller North Address: 8144 Highfield Drive, Lewis Center, Ohio 43035

#### **Skate America**

Features: Premier Skating and entertainment center.

Address: 4357 Broadway Ave., Grove City, Ohio 43123

#### **United Skates of America**

Features: Family skates, arcade, and live DJ.

Address: 3362 Refugee Road, Columbus, Ohio, 43232

### **Swimming**

#### **Goldfish Swim School**

Features: Small class sizes, focus on swim safety, lessons, family swims that are open to the public, and clinics.

Westerville Address: 765 Brooksedge Boulevard, Westerville, Ohio 43081

Dublin Address: 6175 Shamrock Court, Dublin, Ohio 43016

## **Westerville Community Center**

Features: see the details above in the indoor playground area section

### **Worthington Community Center**

Features: The zero entry leisure pool area is great for children and includes a kiddie slide and play toys. There's also a lazy river, 110-foot slide and large hot tube. Check out the day rates and schedule: Worthington Indoor Pool

Address: 345 E. Wilson Bridge Rd., Worthington, OH 43085

## **Go Carts**

### **Buckeye Raceway**

Features: Electric carts on challenging courses- must be 12 years or older.

Address: 4050 W Broad Street, Columbus Ohio 43228

## **Grand Prix Karting**

Features: Racing, Tactical Laser Tag, Escape rooms (ages 8-adults)

Address: 1300 Alum Creek Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43209

## **Batting Cages**

#### **Mannino's Grand Slam**

Features: Lessons, Leagues, Camps and open Batting Cages

Address: 6635 Dublin Center Drive, Dublin, Ohio 43017

#### **Strike Zone**

Features: 6 indoor batting cages with top of the line machines.

Address: 6796 Thrush Drive, Canal Winchester, Ohio 43110

# **Crafts & Artistic Activities**

Color Me Mine

Features: Drop in art studio. Pick your ceramic piece, paint it, they fire it and pick up in a week!

Address: 6375 Perimeter Drive, Dublin, Ohio

#### **Art with Anna**

Features: Grown-up Art and Me Classes, Kids camps and classes

Address: 420 N Cassady Ave, Bexley, Ohio, 43209

## **PARTY Like it's Your Birthday**

Features: Open playgroups on Tuesday and Thursday, art classes, craft nights, creation stations and

splatter room!

Address: 7227 N High Street, Worthington, Ohio 43085

#### **Canvas Creations for You**

Features: Painting Studio for kids too! Rent the studio or they come to you!

Address: 325 South Sandusky Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015

### **Elements Art Studio (Aprons and Easels)**

Features: Painting Classes and Private events for adults and kids!

Address: 5512 Hilliard Rome Office, Hilliard, Ohio 43026

### **Lakeshore Learning (free crafts on Saturdays)**

Features: Free crafts every Saturday from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Address: 2148 Polaris Parkway, Columbus, Ohio 43240

### Home Depot Kids Workshops (1st Saturday of the month)

Features: Kids and DIY Workshops 1st Saturday of the Month

Address: Numerous Locations in Columbus

### **Mall Play Areas**

### **Polaris Fashion Place**

Features: Zoo themed play area that is enclosed for kids.

Address: 1500 Polaris Parkway, Columbus, Ohio 43240

## The Mall at Tuttle Crossing

Features: STEAM based play area with science scramble, techno tunes, wonder wall, computer based art

gallery, and tile table.

Address: 5043 Tuttle Crossing Blvd. Columbus, Ohio

## The Shops at Worthington Place

Features: Smaller play area with tree based slide and climbing. Soft grass for crawling toddlers.

Address: 7227 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43085

## **Museums**

## COSI

Features: Dynamic Hands-on Science Center with a variety of exploration rooms for all ages.

Address: 333 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215

### **Ohio History Connection**

Features: Dig into Ohio's past with hands-on experiences.

Address: 800 East 17th Ave, Columbus, Ohio 43211

#### **Franklin Park Conservatory**

Features: A botanical landmark with plant collections and gardens and seasonal art and nature-based

exhibitions.

Address: 1777 E. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio43202

#### **Columbus Museum of Art**

Features: Beautiful works of art and hands-on playing in The Wonder Room for kids. Free on Sundays!

Address: 480 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215

## **Central Ohio Fire Museum & Learning Center**

Features: Stroll through a restored 1908 fire station. There's a play area for kids.

Address: 260 N. Fourth Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-2511

### The Works (Newark)

Features: Ohio Center for history, art, and technology just a short drive away!

Address: 55 S. 1st Street, Newark, Ohio 43055

#### **Nature Centers**

There are several FREE Nature Centers in Columbus that have indoor play areas and many of them host story times. Each of them are a bit different but check back soon because we have an upcoming post that highlights a few of them.

**Battelle Darby Creek** 

Location: Battelle Darby Creek

**Blacklick Woods** 

Location: Reynoldsburg

Highbanks Metro Park

Location: Lewis Center

Scioto Audubon

Location: near downtown

## Open Gyms

### **Integrity Athletics**

Features: Open gym times for toddlers and school-age children. They also offer a variety of gymnastics and tumbling classes.

Address: 8181 Business Way, Plain City, Ohio, 43064

### **Gym Skills**

Features: Open Gym, stay and play classes, monthly clinics, and camps at this interactive gym!

Address: 710 Cross Point Rd., Columbus, Ohio 43230

#### Libraries

#### **Northwest Library**

Features: The Story Garden features characters from classic children's literature, such as Cinderella, Corduroy and Humpty Dumpty. It also has the Three Bears Cottage, where children and parents can find a chair that's just right for reading. There's a case full of blocks, trucks and other little toys to play with.

Address: 2280 Hard Road, Columbus, Ohio 43235

### **Old Worthington Library**

Features: Bookingham forest features characters from classic tales and has a variety of play items such as Magnatiles, blocks, a dollhouse, and puzzles.

Address: 820 High Street, Worthington, Ohio, 43085

### **Bexley Library**

Features: Large play area in the lower level with a variety of interactive toys and puzzles.

Address: 2411 East Main Street, Bexley, Ohio 43209

## **Grandview Heights Library**

Features: Train table, doll houses, building toys, fish tanks, and a variety of hands-on toys.

Address: 1685 West First Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43212

## **Upper Arlington Library (Main)**

Features: A specific area for kids to explore in through puzzles, magnetic toys, kitchen and felt boards.

Address: 2800 Tremont Road, Upper Arlington, Ohio, 43221

## **Hilliard Library**

Features: Train Table, Puppet Theater, Puzzles and Magnet Board.

Address: 4500 Hickory Chase Way, Hilliard, OH 43026

## **Columbus Main Library**

Features: An impressive area for kids with a school bus, large open space for playing, and a variety of story times.

Address: 96 S. Grant Ave. Columbus, Ohio 43215