

“And we welcome Mrs. Awad’s fifth grade class from Northwest Rankin Elementary School”, Paula Kemp said. We stood up from our seats which were in the front row and waved back to all the people behind us, which was quite a few. “And also we welcome the winner of the Hometown Heroes Essay Contest, Chris Hart!” Chris stood up and went onstage and began reading his essay; everybody was so still and silent, you could hear a pin drop.

As soon as Chris finished his essay, some dancers got up on stage and danced to a song. Finally after they were done, we tore through the brown paper decorated with drawings and pushed the glass doors open.

The whole class rushed in and down the color-changing stairs. The first thing that caught Kelsey’s and my eye was the water table. An employee greeted us and showed us how to use everything and we played on it for a while. My second favorite thing was the tunnels. I spent a long time trying to figure out which one led up. After a while, we found it and moved on. My third favorite thing was the Hodge Podge construction; I actually got hit by a foam box once but, of course, it didn’t hurt – it was foam 😊

I had a blast at the Mississippi Children’s Museum. I’d love to go back, and I hope I have persuaded you to go too! The museum is absolutely wonderful!

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