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Mission: Raven Hill provides a place that enhances hands-on and lifelong learning for all ages by connecting science, history & the arts.

Raven Hill Discovery Center Testimonials and Reviews

Amber Sheldon

Awesome place, lots to do and see! Will definitely be going back and I highly recommend!

Timothy Peterson

Quirky mix of things, but worth finding it off the beaten path

Sidney Elyse

This place was so cool and the staff was so helpful and friendly! There's such a variety of things to do here. It was a great way to spend our day!

Samantha Mumaw

I went here with my best friends during my bachelorette/bachelor party. What an amazing time! We played, learned and ... More

Beth Robinson

I went there with my almost 13 year old daughter while we were camping nearby. We were both absolutely enchanted and engaged. Lots of fun, hands on stuff to do and the property and everything on it is magical.

Christina Cornwall

I happened upon the RHDC while vacationing in the area...and what a happy accident! My 2 and 4 year old children absolutely love this place, and even the 5 month old was looking around at all the fun things. Kyra spent a great deal of time showing my children the animals and answering all their questions. We enjoyed the discovery room and could have spent hours in there! We hiked the Jurassic trail and explored the schoolhouse and rang the bell. The treehouse was an extra bonus. We would frequent this place regularly, if we lived closer.

Anonymous

Terrific hands-on exhibits. Kind, knowledgeable and helpful docent. Our grandkids (ages 5 and 2) had a fabulous time. Our son-in-law, a special ed teacher, came away with great lesson-plan ideas. G'pa and G'ma seemed to see new neural pathways forming in little minds as they watched the kids play. We all had loads of fun. Thank you for the time, effort and thoughtfulness that continues to go into this wonderful place.

Bob M

June 13, 2019

My adult blind son (19) and my dad went here on a rainy day and it was a fantastic experience! Outside there was a 'Jurassic walk'. That had examples of fossils and minerals to touch. After that there was a one room schoolhouse to explore. Then we hit the music garden that had about a half dozen unique instruments that could be played to your hearts content. Then we hit up the inside where everything was touchable. He got to feel skulls and pelts of various animals, feel a display of the different organs and where they are inside

your body. There were more instruments to play as well as a several games/challenges to attempt. The owner was very welcoming and brought out some items just so my son could check them out. We then went into the reptile room where he got to hold a corn snake, gecko, and bearded dragon. With lots of information given during the presentation also. He was also able to touch several turtles/tortoises. The only negatives are the long hilly dirt road to get to the Center was a little nerve wracking for people used to the flat Indiana landscape. Also don't expect a polished and state of the art exhibits. It is not dirty or unkempt but has a 'lived in, well loved' kind of vibe. All in all, this is a hidden treasure for anyone looking for a one of a kind hands on experience. The staff is very friendly and will do their best to answer your questions.

Nathan Keith

August 2019

I give this a rating of 5 is based on responses from my 7 year old grandson. Small time science center that had the warmth and charm that the big city science center wishes that it could achieve. Live reptiles and turtles, the let the children hold snakes and lizards. They have hands on science that engages the children and a nice nature walk exhibit with an old school house and a treehouse

Charity Huff

My preschooler came home very excited to show me something she learned at school. She proceeded to pull two plastic cups from her backpack and tell me that she made a big wheel. Scanning the living room, she selected two items to help her build a ramp. She stuck the cups together, placed a piece of red tape on the floor as a destination line, and began experimenting what would happen to her big wheel as the ramp inclined or declined. My husband and I found great pleasure in seeing our daughter excited about sharing the science she had learned from you. As the days and weeks have passed, the big wheel has been placed in a safe spot where Erin still pulls it out and experiments with it to see how far she can send it and at what speed. I have caught her teaching it to her dolls.

As parents, we cannot thank you enough for exposing our daughter to the wonderful world of exploration and science. It is intriguing to watch her as she discovers answers to her questions on her own. We are hopeful that you will be able to visit her classroom again to help fulfill her hunger for knowledge and her sense of wonder.

Thank you,

The Proud Parents of Erin Patten- Brian and Charity Patten

Here's a link to a YouTube video of Erin playing with ramps. https://youtu.be/wD_YCoE4h94