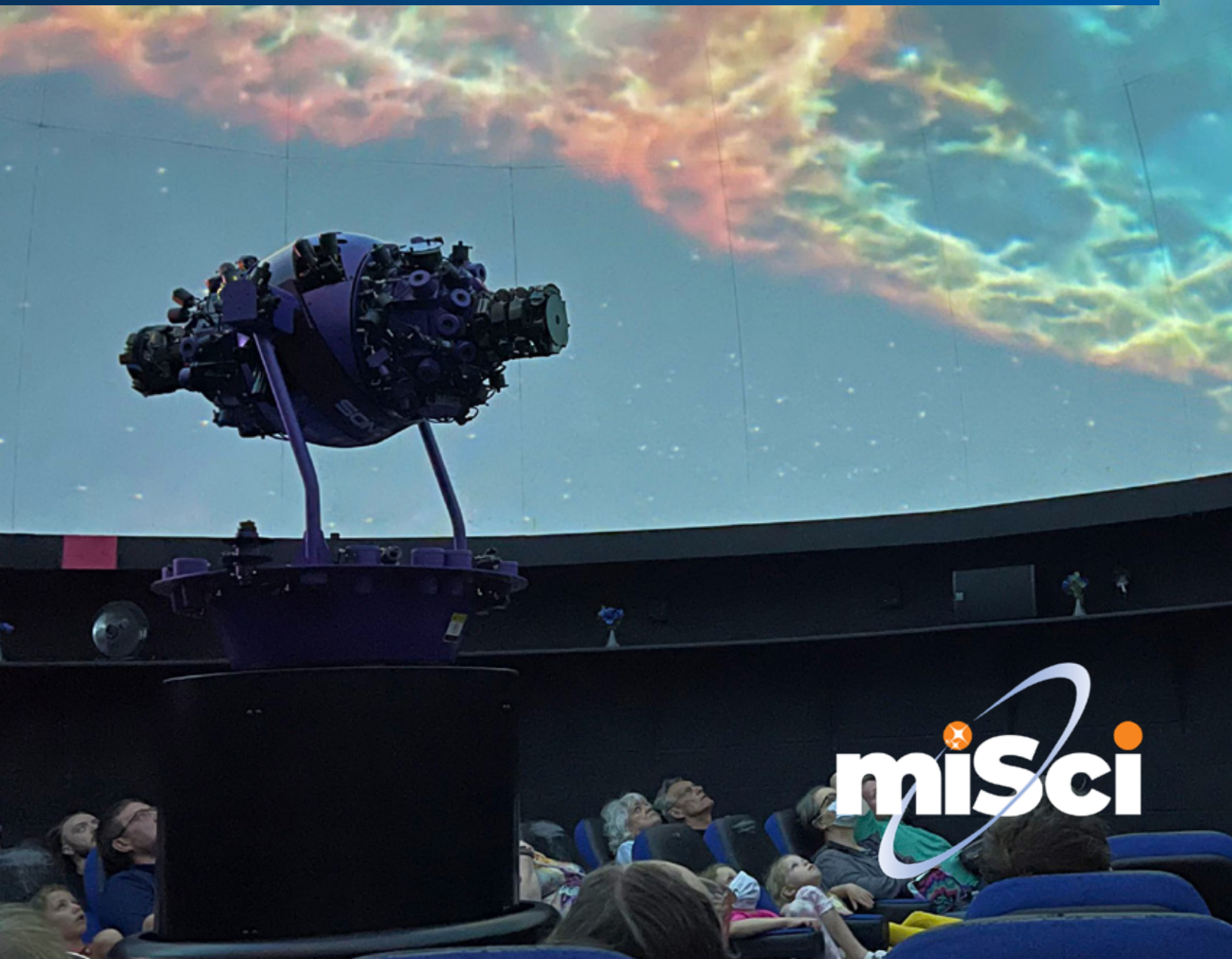


The Museum of Innovation and Science

2024 – 2025

Annual Report



Inspiring people to celebrate and explore science and technology past, present and future...

At the end of 2024 miSci entered its 90th year as an institution of learning, preservation, and community service. Hundreds of thousands of people have visited the Museum, taken a class with miSci educators, and seen shows in the planetarium. miSci's impact on the region has been substantial, with generations of learners now returning with their grandchildren to the same institution that was part of their own history. miSci's education programs introduce tens of thousands of students to STEAM principles each year, setting them on the pathway to becoming the next generation of scientists and engineers.

There is a lot to look forward to as we enter miSci's tenth decade in Schenectady! With the generous assistance of New York State and Assemblyman Angelo Santabarbara miSci is engaging on a complete renovation of the Museum. This work will improve the visitor experience, collections preservation, and contribute to miSci's vitality as a community resource. In addition, we offer special thanks to Metroplex, Bender Scientific Fund and Niskayuna Community Foundation for funding major upgrades in the planetarium, transforming it into a major regional attraction.

It is with hope and excitement that we move towards miSci's eventual centennial! During the next ten years we will have the opportunity to share the 100th anniversaries of some true gems in our collections. World changing innovations such as television broadcasting and home refrigeration were pioneered here in our region, and we'll be highlighting their milestones. We hope to see each and every one of you at the Museum for a continuing experience of hands-on science, amazing history, and clever inspiration.

miSci By the Numbers



The 2024 – 2025 season saw thousands of people visit miSci's exhibits and programs!

Visitation continues to climb!

39,440
Museum Visitors

24,038
Visitors to the
Planetarium

New planetarium upgrades brought thousands more visitors into miSci for the first time!

Nearly 20 thousand students were reached by miSci educators at field trips, outreaches, or events!

19,466
Students at
miSci Programs

miSci welcomed 541 new and returning members and their families.

541
Memberships

397
Educational
Programs

miSci delivered nearly 400 hands-on educational experiences to local classes, libraries and groups!

More than 100 people celebrated with their families at the Museum!

107
Birthday
Parties

Planetarium Upgrades

New planetarium upgrades made possible with the support of **Schenetady Metroplex Corporation** and the **Bender Scientific Fund** of the **Niksayuna Community Foundation** now bring 4K digital projection into the miSci Planetarium.

These upgrades bring brand new shows into the planetarium, including the nationally touring *Mesmerica*, which captivated Museum audiences this year.

New at miSci 2024 – 2025

New and notable exhibits at miSci during the 2024 – 2025 season:



Yearly Highlights

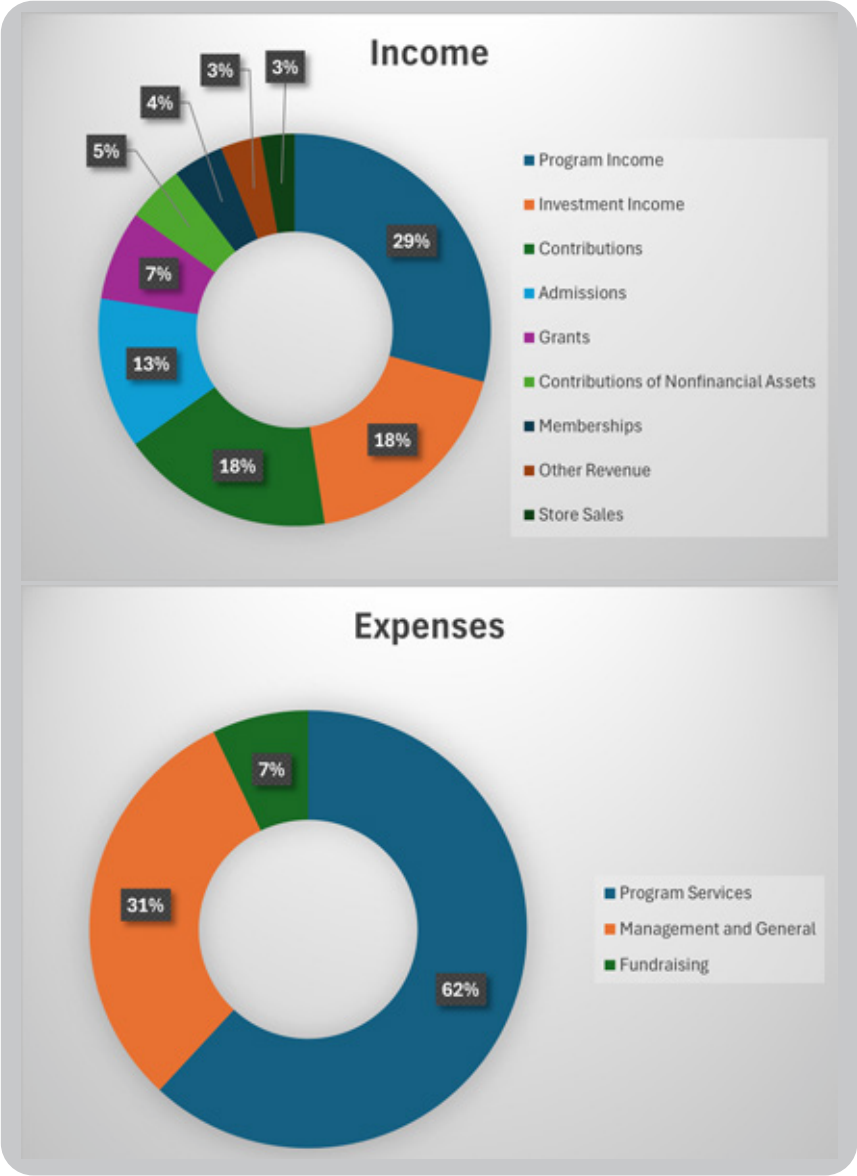


miSci's Model Trains Show reached it's 34th year running this year, entertaining the young and old with vintage trains.



The Museum's Exhibit Engineer, Jamie Hutchison, touring February Break Week students through miSci's newly built *Eye Candy* exhibit.

Fiscal Year 2024 – 2025



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