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## BOARD GAMES MUSEUM OPENS IN BEAVERTON

Interactive museum opens storefront in Beaverton to encourage game play and the study of games.

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Beaverton's interactive museum of gaming and puzzlery (IMOGAP) will be opening on Thursday, May 23rd at their location off Hall street, at 8231 SW Cirrus Dr., Beaverton, OR 97008. The museum features more than 1,500 games in their collection, ongoing exhibits about gaming culture and history, and a play area where museum members can try their hand at an old favorite, or a brand new game. They also have a small shop where games, and other gifts, may be purchased. On Thursday, Friday, and Saturday (May 23-25) they will have refreshments and special activities for their grand opening.

In the future IMOGAP will present activities and talks related to games at their regular evening events on Tuesdays, and Fridays. The week of May 28th will focus on Native American games, and the following week, June 4th will present materials on the history of Chess. Please check their online calendar, at <http://www.imogap.org> to learn more.

The museum will be open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. Membership fees, normally \$5 per person, will be waived during the grand opening.

If anyone would like to donate gently used board games, or funds, to IMOGAP please go to their website at <http://www.imogap.org> and click on the 'contributions' link, or call 503-469-9998.

IMOGAP is the Interactive Museum of Gaming and Puzzlery, an Oregon non-profit corporation in Beaverton, Oregon. They are a federally recognized 501(c)(3) public charity. IMOGAP seeks to reach a hand across every social, economic, and cultural boundary to engage other humans in structured play. They believe the exploration of ideas that are modeled by games and puzzles can produce common ground, encourage creativity, and enhance learning. They celebrate the aesthetic, historic and functional beauty of structured play and its components.

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