



**QUESTACON'S MINI Q—FUN FOR 0-6 YEAR OLDS EXHIBITION ALLOWS YOUNG CHILDREN TO ENGAGE WITH THEIR INNER SCIENTIST BY PROVIDING ENRICHING SCIENCE LEARNING EXPERIENCES.**

*Mini Q* has seven different areas, each of which has been designed and built to cater to varying age groups, from infants to school-aged children (up to 6 years old).

**Water Play**—a wet area featuring a series of flow tanks, an Archimedes screw and pulley systems. Water Play allows younger children to discover the physical properties of water and older children to undertake problem-solving tasks and teamwork.

**Sensory Space**—a place to see, hear and feel amazing things. Stimulating a child's visual and auditory perception skills contributes enormously to a child's cognitive abilities, including reading.

**Baby Space**—a place to crawl about and explore. Pictures and mobiles within Baby Space give visual stimulation and babies are encouraged to roll, stretch, climb and crawl.

**Role Play**—a place to shop, work and play. This area contains child-sized businesses including a bakery, a workshop and a vet. Children observe, imitate, and invent activities, which encourage the development of their imagination and creativity.

**Active Play**—a place to balance, navigate and roll around. Active Play contains agility equipment to help children develop physical coordination, thinking skills and confidence.

**Space Play**—a place to pretend, predict and explore. Space Play provides junior scientists with co-operative play skills where they are encouraged to negotiate story plots and roles as they work together to plan and carry out ideas.

**Quiet Space**—a place to rest peacefully after a hard day's play. This area is designed for parents or carers to have 'down time' with children, talk to them about their experiences and read storybooks together.

*Mini Q—fun for 0-6 year olds* is an enjoyable and engaging experience designed and built by Questacon and is located in Gallery 6.

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