Where Can I Find...  

Where to Begin?
Push, pull, lift, spin.... Lose yourself in the Museum's biggest collection of hands-on exhibits—an entire gallery devoted to demonstrating how aircraft and spacecraft fly.

How Things Fly (Gallery 109)

For Young Flyers
Pick through a pile of luggage and find just how much we depend on air travel. Picture yourself as a passenger—or a pilot—as you walk through the nose sections of two airplanes, an old DC-7 airliner and a 747 jumbo jet.

America by Air (Gallery 102)

Out of This World
Touch a piece of a rock brought back by Apollo astronauts from the surface of the Moon.

Milestones of Flight (Gallery 100)

Beam yourself down to the Museum's Toy Store and behold the Starship Enterprise model used in filming the original Star Trek TV series.

Museum Store, lower level (Gallery 101)

Test Your Smarts and Skill
Try your hand at landing a jet fighter on the deck of an aircraft carrier using a computer flight simulator.

Sea-Air Operations (Gallery 203)

Test your knowledge about the planets by taking the Planetary Explorer quiz.

Exploring the Planets (Gallery 207)

Climb Aboard!
Strap into a full-motion flight simulator and take control of a P-51 Mustang or F/A-18 Hornet aircraft. (Admission fee; height restrictions apply.)

At the Controls: Flight Simulator Zone (Gallery 103)

Climb inside the cockpit of a single-engine Cessna 150 airplane and use the controls to move the ailerons, elevator, and rudder.

How Things Fly (Gallery 109)

Enter the huge Skylab space station and find out what living and working in space was like before the Space Shuttle.

Space Race, balcony level (Gallery 114)

Hot and Cool
See yourself in a different light—infrared—and find out which parts of your body are hot or not.

Explore the Universe (Gallery 111)

Check out the current shows at the Einstein Planetarium, a domed multimedia theater that can simulate the night sky and much more. (Admission fee.)

Einstein Planetarium (Gallery 201)

Visit the Lockheed Martin IMAX® Theater, which shows movies on a whopping-size screen. (Admission fee.)

Lockheed Martin IMAX® Theater (Gallery 115)

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