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HOPEKIDS



Hope on a Sunday afternoon

The Nasher Sculpture Center has been proud to partner with HopeKids North Texas since 2013, when the organization first opened its doors. HopeKids provides more than 200 events each year to families that have a child diagnosed with a life-threatening medical condition. Each year, the Nasher offers several Art Experience Days filled with tours and activities specially for HopeKids families. At the most recent event, celebrating the work of Kathryn Andrews, we asked the Delira family what the organization and the experience at the Nasher has meant to them.

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as told to Lynda Wilbur, Manager of Tour Programs
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Tell us what HopeKids has meant to your family.

As a family of a child with a life-threatening illness, it is difficult to experience new places and things to do for many reasons. One being “is the place going to be wheelchair-friendly?” and another is “will the child feel included or will the experience make him feel even more excluded?” So with HopeKids, you know that he is going to feel included. Also HopeKids shows our children that there are other children who are siblings to a special-needs child and that they are not alone.

Was this your first visit to the Nasher Sculpture Center?

This was our first time to visit the Nasher and we chose to visit because it sounded like it would be fun and I was excited for our family to learn together about a different type of art.

What did you enjoy most about the tour and art-making activity?

The most enjoyable part of the tour for us was the fact that you included us all in the learning about the artist and the different sculptures by asking us questions and giving all of us a chance to answer. The art-making activity was great! It gave each child a chance to show their creativity.

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