

Guild

The Guild of Discovery Place and the Charlotte Nature Museum began in 1961 at the Nature Museum with the foresight of forty-five civic-minded women who were interested in starting a service group to the museum for the Charlotte community. With the completion of Discovery Place in 1981, the Guild's involvement expanded to include the new uptown facility. The Guild has continued to provide critical support to both museums. Since their inception, they have targeted new projects to help the museums supplement their educational materials and exhibits. To learn more about this wonderful organization, contact (704) 372-6261 ext. 505 or email them at guild@discoveryplace.org.

Ham Radio

The Amateur Radio Education Center (NC4DP) at Discovery Place offers a glimpse into a very interesting hobby which has been practiced by individuals since the beginning of wireless communications. It stands ready to provide communication in places devoid of other means of communications. During times of emergencies, Amateur Radio is often the only communication available.

Licensed Ham Radio Operators volunteer their time and talents to the operation of this Center. Many of them belong to the Carolina DX Association (www.cdxa.org) If you are a licensed operator and would like to volunteer contact Volunteer Services.

Gem & Mineral Club

The Charlotte Gem & Mineral Club is a member of the Southeast Federation of Mineralogical Societies, an affiliate member of the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies, and an affiliate of the Arts & Science Council of Charlotte, North Carolina. The purpose of this Club is to foster interest in, and promote knowledge of, minerals, gems, fossils, and all earth sciences. They also disseminate information and instruction in the lapidary arts and the utilization of precious metals in our crafts. These purposes are accomplished through regular meetings with informative programs, study groups, workshops and field trips.

To learn more about the partnership this organization has with Discovery Place contact Volunteer Services or to learn more about this club you may visit their website at www.charlottegem.com.