

## To Play and Discover

In the forest near Dieren lies the most magical play and discovery place in Holland: De Spelerij/ Uitvinderij. In this park kids can play and discover all day long. They can play outside in De Spelerij, but also cultivate their creativity in de Uitvinderij.

### De Spelerij--Playful Discovery

De Spelerij is like nothing you've ever experienced before, and is therefore a bit difficult to describe. In the forest you'll find fantastical objects usually made from second-hand materials. They contain all sorts of mechanisms that kids can put into motion themselves. For example, there is a lifting crane and a fountain kids can manipulate themselves, but there's also boats and pedal-powered vehicles. Some play areas have roofs so children can still enjoy themselves in bad weather.

The founder of de Spelerij, Jos Spanbroek, is an artist. The Spelerij is his studio, workbench and gallery in one. The playground equipment in the park is his pieces of art. Consequently, the park changes whenever Jos and his co-workers come up with new things. Everybody is welcome to visit, experience and admire de Spelerij.

### De Uitvinderij--Discovering Play

In the middle of de Spelerij one will find the Uitvinderij. De Uitvinderij is a workshop where kids and their parents can create things with their own hands. They can mold plastic, fretsaw and work with metal using real tools! This is a playful introduction to the concepts of technique and trade. Of course there is always guidance, explanation and a helping hand. The machines are created so that kids can express their creativity and imagination in a safe way.

### Events

Aside of the many possibilities De Spelerij /Uitvinderij usually offers, special events are organized such as sand-castle building, drama and music festivals and artistic exhibitions. You can find more information about these events on our website. You can also call us.

### School trips and groups

For schools and groups De Spelerij/ Uitvinderij has a special day-long program. For the young kids (ages 8 and under) have the opportunity to play extras in a theatre production. The older kids (age 9 and up) can work in de Uitvinderij. The kids lunch on self-baked bread and of course they can play in De Spelerij. We are more than happy to give you more information on these topics.

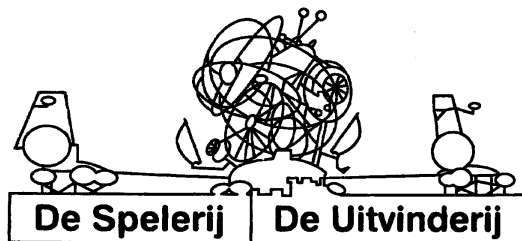
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### **Other Possibilities**

De Spelerij/Uitvinderij is also extremely suitable for birthday parties, family reunions, company parties and other get together that include kids. There are even possibilities for company training sessions, group work and the like. There is a restaurant with a limited menu, but if you visit us with a large group you are more than welcome to choose the Spelerij extensive buffet. We are more than happy to work with you on a unique program.

### **Opening Hours**

Summer: (from Easter weekend through September) daily from 10:00 until 18:00.

Winter: (from October until Easter Weekend) Wednesday afternoon, noon-17:00.

weekends: 10:00-17:00.

Autumn, Christmas and Spring Breaks: 10:00-17:00.

Closed on December 25th and 31st and January 1st.

Everybody is welcome except for the dog.