



Everyday Encounters with Science

## About the J.C. Stevens Legacy Society

**John Cyprian Stevens** (pictured right), a Portland civil engineer for whom the J.C. Stevens Legacy Society is named, was instrumental in founding OMSI more than 75 years ago. Championing a local effort to establish a permanent space to showcase Oregon's rich natural resources and dreaming of a hands-on museum of science and technology, Stevens became one of OMSI's strongest advocates and served as both President and Board Member throughout the years. J.C. Stevens helped found OMSI in 1944 and, within a decade, the museum had added a planetarium and was attracting thousands of visitors each year as a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization\*. Today, OMSI serves more than 1 million visitors annually and is ranked as one of the top science centers in the United States with an international reputation for its innovative exhibits and educational programs.



In his spirit, the **J.C. Stevens Legacy Society** recognizes donors who have included OMSI in their estate plan, helping ensure OMSI thrives for future generations. We are pleased to extend special invitations to exclusive OMSI events and private tours to Legacy Society members.

If you have already made a designation for OMSI in your estate plan or retirement account, please let us know. We would be delighted and tremendously grateful to celebrate your legacy and recognize you as a member of the J.C. Stevens Legacy Society or keep your gift anonymous according to your preference. Your participation also encourages others to consider philanthropically partnering with us on our mission to promote fun science learning experiences today and for generations to come.

If you have questions about how you can make a legacy gift to OMSI or would like to discuss your plans, we are here to assist you. For more information, please contact Love Centerwall, Vice President of Development, at (503) 797-4616 or by email at [lcenterwall@omsi.edu](mailto:lcenterwall@omsi.edu).

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