

# Toy Time

Whether you're looking for a family-friendly excursion or a sure-to-please gift for your little one back home, you'll find it at one of these charming local Philadelphia toy stores.—A.C.

- Introduce your youngster to some of your all-time favorite characters like Curious George, Madeline and Winnie the Pooh at **Happily Ever After** on Antique Row. In addition to providing personalized, old-fashioned customer service, this welcoming shop stocks time-tested classics like wood toys, puppets, jack-in-the-boxes, paper dolls, tea sets, puzzles, musical instruments and more. Collectors appreciate the extensive selection of high-fashion dolls from some of the industry's most respected artisans. 1010 Pine St., 215.627.5790



- In the heart of Midtown Village, the ultra-modern, high-concept **Nest** is more than just a toy boutique; it's also a play space, classroom, children's hair salon, café and party space. As the owners here are dedicated to providing a clean and safe second home for the entire family, much of the



## Green Toys Fire Truck, Born Yesterday

store's merchandise includes eco-sound and organic toys. Shoppers can also purchase locally made items, many of which are one-of-a-kind. 1301 Locust St., 215.545.6378

- If you're heading to Rittenhouse Square, don't miss **Born Yesterday**, A beloved neighborhood go-to for over 30 years, prices start at just \$10 for goodies from brands like Djeco, Green Toys, Vulli and PlayForever. Plus, the store stocks adorable clothing and accessories from popular brands like Stella McCartney and Daily Threads. 1901 Walnut St., 215.568.6556

- Over in Chestnut Hill, **Oxford Circus** carries European, Asian-inspired and American-made toys from brands like Haba, Hape, Moulin Roty, Kido and Seedlings. In order to fulfill the store's mission to challenge, inspire and motivate young minds, the staff here focuses on items that blend functional capability with exceptional design. Friendly, knowledgeable staff members are always on hand to help customers find the perfect items. 8127 Germantown Ave., 215.242.1600

