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The Glazer Children’s Museum Wins TBBJ Non Profit Award for Arts, Culture & Humanities

Through innovative experiences, GCM serves as a top-rated museum and a community steward, using its assets to connect children and families with learning opportunities and resources necessary for each and every child to reach their full potential.

TAMPA, FL (June 9, 2017) – The Glazer Children’s Museum proudly announces winning the Tampa Bay Business Journal’s Non Profit of the Year Award for Arts, Culture and Humanities. The Museum was recognized among nonprofit peers and the winners of other categories at the annual awards ceremony yesterday. “This award emboldens and inspires an already amazing team committed to raising the Imagination Generation,” said Jennifer Stancil, President and CEO of the Glazer Children’s Museum. “We’re here to serve as a beacon for learning, play, and imagination, helping every parent, grandparent, aunt, or friend put a child on their best path.”

Why GCM Matters

When children and their caregivers venture into the Museum, they find more than just a day of fun — they experience transformational learning that stimulates their brains, develops their skills, and improves their odds for life success. Research demonstrates children’s museums serve as a pipeline to developing culturally literate citizens. “GCM continues to grow and evolve as a signature attraction in Tampa Bay and serves as a cultural and educational resource for our entire community,” says Kenneth Curtin, Board Chair of the Glazer Children’s Museum. Most recently, the Museum received national recognition as the first children’s museum in the nation to feature an embodied learning lab, putting Tampa on the cutting edge of implementing what cognitive scientists know about how children learn.

Investments in children are like a Kickstarter campaign for our future economy. Children are always at the center of the Museum’s key strategies and long range plan: to deliver engaging, creative, and continually changing visitor experiences where brain-building play and quality learning standards allow each child to excel. At GCM, children expand their understanding of STEM, arts and culture while strengthening both critical thinking and social-emotional skills — key predictors of academic and life-long success.

About The Glazer Children’s Museum

The Glazer Children’s Museum is the 2017 winner of the TBBJ Non Profit of the Year Award for Arts, Culture and Humanities, the 2016 winner of the Diversity and Inclusion Award by the FL Division of Cultural Affairs, and was a finalist for the 2017 Non Profit of the Year - Be More Awards by WEDU. The Museum is consistently recognized as a top national destination and cultural resource, located in Downtown Tampa along the Tampa Riverwalk, among Curtis Hixon Park, restaurants, businesses and other cultural institutions. GCM’s mission is to create learning environments where children play, discover and connect to the world around them in order to develop as lifelong learners and leaders. GCM is truly raising the “Imagination Generation.”

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