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Tampa Stories at GCM
Share Your Story and Become a Part of Tampa’s History

TAMPA, FL- January 29, 2016 - The Glazer Children’s Museum and Tampa Hillsborough Library Cooperative are partnering for a new temporary exhibit. The Tampa Story Listening Booth will be open the entire month of February allowing guests to hear audio clippings of Tampa’s famous African American residents. Every Friday in February at Noon and 2pm, guests can then record their own stories as librarians will be at the Museum for short interviews. Their stories will then be stored in the Tampa Hillsborough Library Cooperative’s online digital collection.

The tales will include audio from Ann Lowe, Lloyd Brown, Mary T. Cash, and Willie Robinson. Ms. Ann Lowe was an American fashion designer and the first African American to become a noted fashion designer. In 1953, she designed the ivory silk tafetta wedding dress worn by Jacqueline Bouvier when she married Senator John F. Kennedy. Lloyd Brown was a construction worker who helped build Tampa’s Gandy Bridge; as Tampa’s first African American nurse, Mary T. Cash also worked as a private duty nurse and midwife for the Barnum & Bailey Circus. Mr. Willie Robinson was a local barber, whose clientele included musician James Brown and Nat Cole.

Guests can also explore each of the selected residents’ worlds with props including dress making, construction builds, and more. **Tampa Stories is included with Regular Admission the Museum.** Admission is $15 for adults, free for children under 1, $9.50 for children ages 1-12, and $12.50 for members of the military. For more information visit, GlazerMuseum.org.

**About the Glazer Children’s Museum**

Named one of the top five Children’s Museums in America, Glazer Children’s Museum is an innovative educational and culture resource for the Tampa region. Opened in Downtown Tampa in 2010, the Museum sits among skyscrapers as well as green space, and is a central part of the cultural corridor featuring other museums, libraries and a performing arts center. The mission of Glazer Children’s Museum 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. The hands-on, minds-on Museum attracts more than 210,000 visitors annually with a 53,000 sq ft building full of themed
galleries and 170 interactive exhibits for children aged birth to ten. A combination of permanent and traveling exhibits, comprehensive year-round educational programs, and dynamic special events provide children, parents, caregivers, and teachers a rich, cutting edge, ever-changing environment for playful learning. Glazer Children’s Museum, a 501c3 non-profit, also offers over 5,000 sq ft of event space, 2,500 sq ft of classroom space and a 1,000 sq ft rooftop terrace overlooking the picturesque Downtown Riverwalk, along the Hillsborough River.