



KIDSPACE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM APPOINTS NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, LISA CLEMENTS

PASADENA, CA (*March 3, 2020*) – KidSPACE Children's Museum announced that Lisa Clements has been appointed by the board of directors as the museum's new Chief Executive Officer starting April 20. Clements will lead KidSPACE into the next era of play-based learning experiences – incorporating physical, social emotional, sensory, cognitive, and communication skill-building activities, which are critical to healthy child development.

Clements comes to KidSPACE from the J. Paul Getty Museum, where she has served as the Assistant Director of Education, Public Programs, Interpretive Content since 2016 and has focused her efforts on improving the design and impact of the museum's programs, with particular emphasis on accessibility and inclusivity. She led educational initiatives at both the Getty Center and Getty Villa, that included kindergarten through university school groups, educator programs, in-gallery and online interpretative media, and public programming such as the theatrical performances, family programming, and unique performance-based programming to bring increasingly diverse audiences into the museum. Getty content developed by her team has won 18 national awards for excellence, including the prestigious Fast Company World Changing Ideas award, Shorty Social Good Award, and a number of AVA Digital Awards.

"Parents and educators know how important it is for children to be active, joyful, hands-on learners, and to experience the world as a fascinating place that rewards curiosity and creativity," Clements stated. "KidSPACE is built on the idea that play is a

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powerful tool for discovery, which is core to the way that people of all ages engage and grow. I am excited to join the talented Kidspace team in their work to create dynamic learning opportunities for children and their grown-ups.”

Previously, Clements managed multiple lines of business at the Walt Disney Company under the Disney Learning umbrella, including Disney Educational Productions, Disney English, and Disney Learning Print. She worked with educators and subject matter experts to produce award-winning interactive programs for both in-school and at-home use around the globe. Clements is a graduate of Princeton University, with a Bachelor’s degree in English Literature.

At Kidspace Clements will lead the museum through strategic exhibit and programmatic planning, management of the daily operations and staff, and help strengthen community relations through partnerships. “We are delighted to have Lisa join the Kidspace team,” said Mike Bryant, Kidspace Board President. “She brings award-winning experience in program development, capacity building, and a passion for positive social impact.”

Founded in 1979 as a way to increase children’s access to the arts, humanities, and sciences, Kidspace has become a premier Southern California cultural and educational destination, with nearly 380,000 annual guests. During its 40-year history, the museum has served close to 6 million guests who have benefited from enriching educational experiences. The museum’s informal education environment offers self-directed play and learning, emphasizing 21st century skills, such as creativity, collaboration, communication, and critical thinking.

ABOUT KIDSPACE

Kidspace Children's Museum is located at 480 N. Arroyo Blvd., in Brookside Park, Pasadena, CA on 3.5 acres of both indoor and outdoor, interactive environments. The museum features over 40 hands-on exhibits with daily programs and monthly events for children ages 1 to 10. The mission of Kidspace is to nurture the potential of all children through kid-driven experiences, inspiring them to become joyful, active learners. Admission is \$14.95 for adults and children. Free for children under one year. For more information, visit kidspacemuseum.org.

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