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**CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF PHOENIX  
OFFERS FREE ENTRANCE TO EDUCATORS  
THIS WEEKEND AUGUST 16<sup>TH</sup> AND 17<sup>TH</sup>**

**Educator Badge Admits Two for Free**

**PHOENIX, AZ** (August 11, 2008) – Educators from around the Valley are welcome to visit the Children's Museum of Phoenix this Saturday or Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup>, for a **FREE EDUCATOR'S WEEKEND**. All educators who show school ID will have free access to the Museum for themselves and one guest.

The Educator's Weekend will kick off the Museum's launch of their **School Fieldtrip Program**. As the Valley's newest fun and educational destination for children, the special weekend will give educators a chance to visit the Museum during regular business hours and witness for themselves how children interact with the hands-on exhibits and how a school visit can facilitate their students' educational experience.

The Children's Museum's fun and immersive educational programs meet **Arizona State Standards**.

Educators will be provided with information about the Museum's programs, field trip opportunities and how the Museum can help educators meet state standards in a variety of subjects – all while making learning FUN!

Educators will also be able to speak with representatives from **Valley Metro** who will be providing information about their **free bus transportation program** for field trips.

**FresGen Foods**, the Museum's onsite food vendor, will also be on hand to assist with questions relating to ordering healthy lunches for class visits.

Reservations are not required. School ID will serve as entry into the Museum during the Educator's Weekend. Educators can contact Katie Hughes at the Museum office for additional information at 602.648.2757 or [khughes@childmusephx.org](mailto:khughes@childmusephx.org).

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*The Children's Museum of Phoenix is located in the historic Monroe School Building at 215 N. 7<sup>th</sup> Street in downtown Phoenix. The Museum opened to the public on June 14, 2008 and offers 35,000 square feet of hands-on, fun and educational activities for children ages birth to 10. The mission of the Museum is to engage the minds, muscles and imaginations of children and the grown-ups who care about them. The Museum is open Tuesdays through Sundays, 9am to 4pm. Admission is \$9 per person, children under the age of 1 are free.*

*The Children's Museum of Phoenix is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.*

*For more information visit [www.childrensmuseumofphoenix.org](http://www.childrensmuseumofphoenix.org).*