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**Children's Museum of Phoenix
NOVEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

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PHOENIX, AZ (October 16 2008) – The Children's Museum of Phoenix announced today their list of educational programs and events for November, 2008. As children and adults engage together in these educational activities, it helps develop and sustain healthy minds and lives. All programs are free with paid Museum admission of \$9 per person, children under the age of one are free.

Now through November 30th

CELEBRATING READING WITH CHILDREN'S BOOK ILLUSTRATORS -- A TRAVELING EXHIBIT OF THREE QUILTS SEWN BY MURIEL FELDSHUH

Muriel Feldshuh is an author, educator, literacy consultant and volunteer for The Books for Kids Foundation. Ms. Feldshuh designed three quilts to promote literacy among children and adults. She invited distinguished children's book illustrators to submit original art on a square of fabric. Ninety-four artists, including Eric Carle, Jan Brett, and Tomie dePaola, submitted squares which Ms. Feldshuh hand sewed into three quilts. The museum is displaying the quilts until the end of November. Two of the quilts are hanging outside the Museum's Art Studio. A third quilt is hanging in the Museum's Reading Nook on the third floor.

During the month of November, quilts are being celebrated in the Art Studio. Children may make a paper "quilt" or use pattern blocks to create geometric designs. On the half hour, the children's book, "The Quilt Story" will be read. A quilter will also display her work and the process involved in making a quilt.

November 1st and 2nd

STYROGAMI

Carve complex shapes and designs into Styrofoam cups to make beautiful sculptures.

Times: 9-11am on the 1st

2-4pm on the 2nd

November 4th through 9th

PAPER BEAD JEWELRY

Make beads with straws and colorful scraps to string on a necklace or bracelet.

Times: 9-11am on the 5th, 7th, and 9th

2-4pm on the 4th, 6th, and 8th

November 6th

BECOMING A COMMUNITY ADVOCATE

Children's Action Alliance and the Junior League of Phoenix present a brown bag workshop that brings attention to the legislative process and how the decisions made at the State Legislature greatly affect our everyday lives. Program is available to 20 Adults (Parent Seminar). This is a free program but space is limited. Please RSVP to Caitlin King at cking@childmusephx.org or 602.648.2750

Time: 11:30am – 1:30pm

November 11th through 16th

EXPLODING RAINBOWS

Children will create a rainbow in a new and interesting way!

Time: 9-11am on the 11th, 13th, and 15th

2-4pm on the 12th, 14th, and 16th

November 13th

STORY TIME

Children and caregivers snuggle up and enjoy stories in the comfort of the Book Loft.

Time: 10-11am

November 18th, 20th through 23rd

PRINTMAKING WITH WHEELS

Use recycled toy wheels of all shapes and sizes to make prints - recognize circle shapes

Times: 9-11am on the 19th, 21st, 23rd

2-4pm on the 18th, 20th, 22nd

November 19th

SEEDLINGS PRESCHOOL

Desert Botanical Garden and the Junior League of Phoenix present a workshop full of discovery centers, songs to sing, and engaging activities to captivate young minds. Program is available to 15 children with 1 caregiver chaperone each. This is a free program but space is limited. Please RSVP to Caitlin King at cking@childmusephx.org or 602.648.2750.

Time: 9-11am

November 25th, 26th, 28th through 30th

GEOMETRIC SHAPE COLLAGE

Assemble basic geometric shapes on a two dimensional surface.

Times: 9-11am on the 25th and 29th

2-4pm on the 26th, 28th, 30th

November 27th

THE MUSEUM IS CLOSED

Happy Thanksgiving!

***The Children's Museum of Phoenix** is located in the historic Monroe School Building at 215 N. 7th 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.