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## **ZIMMER CHILDREN'S MUSEUM WELCOMES NEW DIRECTOR**

Los Angeles, CA (November 17, 2010)- The Zimmer Children's Museum is proud to announce Julee Brooks as Museum Director. Ms. Brooks is charged with leading the museum's exhibits, guest services and educational offerings.

"After an extensive national search, it was entirely evident that Julee was the perfect choice for us," said Esther Netter, President and CEO of the Zimmer Museum. "Julee's experience in arts education and her work serving young children, families and educators makes her a great fit for the museum."

While new to the Los Angeles area, Ms. Brooks has extensive experience in cultural programming for kids and families. Most recently, she served as Director of Education at Nashville Children's Theatre, ranked by TIME magazine as one of the top 5 children's theatres in the U.S. Under Ms. Brooks' leadership, NCT's education programs grew four-fold in six years, eventually hosting nearly 2000 young people in camps and classes every year including an immensely popular summer camp that was consistently ranked one of the best in music city by parents.

"I love what the Zimmer offers the families of Los Angeles, and I am grateful to be a part of this wonderful organization," said Brooks.

Already in the plans for the museum: Camp Zimmer for Summer 2011 for Pre-K through second graders, extended hours beginning April 1<sup>st</sup>, new weekly classes for ages 1-8, and new public programs free with regular admission.

"We are excited about what Julee can bring to the Zimmer," added Netter. "We expect great things from Julee, and look forward to what she can bring to the families we serve."

### **About Us**

The **Zimmer Children's Museum** is dedicated to teaching people about the BIG IDEAS of global citizenship, community responsibility, and cultural sensitivity. Our mission is to promote values that help make a better society through interactive learning, creative self-expression and art experiences for children.

The **Zimmer Children's Museum** is a non-profit cultural institution located on Museum Row in Los Angeles, featuring hands-on exhibits for children 0-8 to explore BIG IDEAS in creative and inspiring settings. The Zimmer is also the only museum dedicated specifically to kids and families in Los Angeles.