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National Children's Museum Hires Director of Operations

–A.J. Calbert, Operations expert and D.C. educator, joins leadership team–

Washington, D.C., Dec. 6, 2018 – National Children's Museum (NCM), a nationally recognized cultural and educational institution that serves children and their families, recently welcomed A.J. Calbert to their leadership team as Director of Operations.

"We're thrilled to welcome A.J. to the National Children's Museum leadership team," said Crystal Bowyer, President and CEO of National Children's Museum. "His background in engineering and operations, as well as his passion for the arts and STEM education, brings a unique perspective to the Museum."



Calbert will oversee operations, safety, human resources and finance for NCM. With a degree in chemical engineering from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Calbert spent the beginning of his career developing pharmaceutical and medical devices with Abbott Laboratories.

After earning a Master of Business Administration from Yale University's School of Management, Calbert accepted a position teaching chemistry and environmental science at Duke Ellington School of the Arts and later spent time in operations at the Office of the State Superintendent of Education for the District of Columbia.

About National Children's Museum

Founded as the Capital Children's Museum in 1974, the Museum served kids and families in the Washington region for thirty years in Northeast Washington, D.C. The Museum was renamed in 2003 when the U.S. Congress designated it the National Children's Museum. For several years, NCM operated as a museum without walls by serving the region through traveling exhibitions, partnerships with other nonprofits, as well as community and school outreach programs. From 2012-2015, a small museum space was opened to the public at National Harbor, but closed in preparation for NCM's next chapter in downtown D.C. Today, the National Children's Museum is poised for its greatest chapter yet, as it prepares to reopen off Pennsylvania Avenue in Spring 2019.

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