THE NEW CHILDREN'S MUSEUM CELEBRATES AWARD-WINNING MUSICIANS AND DANCERS AT 'READY, SET...JAM!' FESTIVAL ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

December 9, 2010 — San Diego — The New Children's Museum announces an all-day music and dance festival on Saturday, December 18, with an eclectic line-up of entertainment designed for kids of all ages. Featuring Rhythm Child, Eveoke Dance Theatre, Aaron Nigel Smith, Studio FX, and Hullabaloo, this special day of family fun is free with Museum admission. Additional holiday events and programs run through December 31.

RHYTHM CHILD, 10:30 – 11:30AM
Recommended for ages 3 – 5, all ages welcome
Norman Jones of Rhythm Child performs award-winning songs with a mix of drum loops, live percussion, soulful vocals, upbeat arrangements, and classic melodies. Rhythm Child strives to provide parents, teachers, and caregivers with opportunities to interact with their children in order to bring about cultural understanding, musical appreciation, and creative expression.

EVEOKE DANCE THEATRE, 11:30AM – 12:30PM
Recommended for ages 6 – 12, all ages welcome
Eveoke Dance Theatre cultivates compassionate social action through evocative performance, arts education, and community building. Families will explore modern dance and get energized through hip-hop inspired performance and special workshops.

AARON NIGEL SMITH, 12:30 – 1:30PM
Recommended for ages 5 – 9, all ages welcome
Aaron Nigel Smith and his three-piece band, The Fundamentals, will bring a fun, inspired, and lively show designed to engage the entire family. Dedicated to music and movement as a foundation for learning, Smith’s performances focus on getting kids to move through up-tempo beats. He has been nationally recognized for his fun-filled performances and has received numerous awards, including the National Parenting Publications Awards and iParenting Media Awards. Smith is one of the key players on the Emmy Award winning PBS Kids show, “Between the Lions.”

STUDIO FX, 1:30 – 2:30PM
Recommended for ages 6 – 12, all ages welcome
Studio FX is a premier performing dance studio serving the San Diego community, dedicated to various styles of dance and movement, with an emphasis on hip-hop. The dancers themselves are young and cater to an audience of children, teens, and adults.

HULLABALOO, 2:30 – 3:30PM
Recommended for ages 1 – 5, all ages welcome
Hullabaloo plays fresh, organic music with traces of twang, funk, rock, and blues. With an acclaimed folksinger and songwriter and long time rock and roll drummer, Hullabaloo features songs that encourage kids to laugh, sing, dance, and clap.

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ABOUT THE NEW CHILDREN’S MUSEUM
The New Children’s Museum is a dynamic new model of a museum that celebrates children and the arts. A non-profit institution funded by admissions, memberships, and community support, the Museum empowers children to think, play and create through participatory exhibitions, engaging art-making activities, captivating artistic performances, and in-depth educational opportunities. Serving all ages, from toddler to teen, NCM inspires new ways to see the world through the language of art. To learn more, visit thinkplaycreate.org.