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“CIRCUS SPECTACULAR” GALA NOVEMBER 5 | THE NEW CHILDREN’S MUSEUM

The New Children’s Museum is known for its engaging and interactive galas, and “Circus Spectacular” is shaping up to be its most creative yet. This year’s chairs, Laurie Mitchell, Jennifer Luce, and Ellen Moxham, along with the volunteer gala committee, hope to raise \$500,000 to support a wide range of programs that provide access to the museum at little to no cost. Each year, the museum transforms its multi-level Rob Quigley-designed contemporary building into a vibrant, club-like atmosphere, while showcasing its immersive art

and playscapes. Gala guests will have free rein inside the 50,000-square-foot museum and be encouraged to play in the installations. To build upon the “Greatest Show on Earth” theme, Island Avenue in front of the museum will serve as the colorful “big top” with a fair-inspired midway complete with a Ferris wheel, food, cocktails, engaging games, and booths. Guests will be dazzled by performances both inside and outside the museum, including feats of strength and fortune tellers. thinkplaycreate.org/circus-spectacular 