

## **ACM Diversity Statement: Honoring, Practicing and Promoting Diversity**

The Association of Children's Museums is an international professional organization representing children's museums and institutions dedicated to serving children. Our mission is to champion children's museums as we pursue our vision of a world that honors all children and respects the diverse ways in which they learn and develop.

The Association and its members are committed to honoring, practicing and promoting diversity, and believe that children's museums have unique opportunities to do so by:

- Engaging children and families in exploring and appreciating their own cultures and the diverse cultures and lifestyles of others.
- Enhancing children's cultural competence, necessary for their active and successful participation in an increasingly diverse and global society.
- Playing an active role in building inclusive communities through exhibits, programs, advocacy and partnerships that reflect and celebrate our diverse communities.
- Enhancing staff and organizational capacity to attract, welcome and serve a diverse audience and membership.
- Modeling their commitment by ensuring our boards and staff at every level reflect and benefit from our diverse communities.