



MISSISSIPPI CHILDREN'S MUSEUM - MERIDIAN

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The Mississippi Children's Museum - Meridian Celebrates Opening of Art Installation by Meridian Native Cecelia Moseley

Meridian, MS. – The Mississippi Children's Museum - Meridian (MCM-Meridian) is opening a temporary art installation on Sunday, October 3 as part of Dyslexia Awareness Month programming at the museum. Artist Cecelia Moseley will share her personal dyslexia story and how it shapes her art, as well as guide children through a hands-on art demonstration.

Moseley's permanent installation "Assortment" is funded through a grant made possible by the Meridian Council for the Arts. On Sunday, October 3, from 12:30 – 1:30 p.m., MCM-Meridian will dedicate "Assortment" and open to the public Moseley's temporary outdoor installation on the event plaza at the museum. Moseley's work intends to bring awareness to dyslexia by giving the viewer the feeling of having dyslexia. It depicts the struggles and reflects the frustrations of a person with dyslexia in order to create a better understanding of dyslexia for the viewer. Moseley's hope is that through awareness society can better assist a dyslexic person who needs intervention and accommodation.

"Dyslexia impacts 20% of our population and is the most common learning disorder; we need to be equipped to recognize it and provide the tools to overcome its challenges," states Elizabeth Wilson, MCM-Meridian Executive Director. "Cecelia's work provides a glimpse of the world through the lens of dyslexia. Her installation articulates the challenges in a creative, smart, and powerful way; it is beautiful and insightful."

Moseley will spend the afternoon from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. leading multiple 30-minute hands-on art demonstrations as part of MCM-Meridian's Visiting Artist series. As the inaugural artist in the series, funded through a grant from the East MS Community Foundation, Moseley will inspire children to create their own alphabet sculpture. Tickets to MCM-Meridian's Visiting Artist series are \$10 per person and free for members (all guests must be accompanied by a child). For event details, please visit:

<https://mschildrensmuseum.org/event/visiting-artist-series-cecelia-moseley/>

About the Mississippi Children’s Museum - Meridian

The Mississippi Children’s Museum - Meridian (MCM - Meridian) is the East Mississippi satellite campus of the statewide Mississippi Children’s Museum (MCM)—a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that creates unparalleled experiences to inspire excellence and a lifelong joy of learning. MCM-Meridian is building a 25,000-square-foot facility with exhibit space designed around three primary initiatives: Literacy and Arts; STEAM; and Health and Nutrition with Cultural Arts and Mississippi History woven throughout all galleries. Outdoors is a 25,000-square-foot exhibit gallery that allows children a safe and magical space to explore and enrich the learning experience. The museum’s exhibits, programs, and outreach opportunities will provide engaging, explorative, hands-on educational activities for children of all ages. MCM - Meridian is a strategic part of the statewide Mississippi Children’s Museum which is dedicated to inspiring ALL of Mississippi’s children from ALL backgrounds to discover and achieve their potential. To learn more about MCM – Meridian, visit www.mcmmeridian.org.

About the Mississippi Children’s Museum

The Mississippi Children’s Museum (MCM) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to fostering in its visitors a passion for lifelong learning, improving the health and well-being of Mississippi children, and instilling a sense of state pride in all Mississippi residents. The mission of MCM is to create unparalleled experiences to inspire excellence and a lifelong joy of learning. The goal of MCM is to inspire Mississippi’s children from all backgrounds to discover and achieve their potential. The 40,000-square foot museum is designed around five primary initiatives, with correlating exhibits, programs and outreach efforts. These initiatives include: Literacy, STEAM, Health and Nutrition, Cultural Arts and Mississippi Heritage—the keys to helping our children mature into healthy and productive adult learners. Museum exhibits provide engaging, explorative, hands-on educational activities for children of all ages. To learn more about MCM, visit www.mschildrensmuseum.org.

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