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Brooklyn Children's Museum Announces Amanda Torres as New Director of Building Operations



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(Brooklyn, NY)—[Brooklyn Children's Museum](#) (BCM), the world's first children's museum and New York City's largest cultural institution designed especially for families, announces the hiring of Brooklyn native **Amanda Torres** as BCM's Director of Building Operations.

Torres brings over a decade of experience in facilities and construction project management to BCM, having worked extensively with key city agencies, including the New York City Fire Department (FDNY), the Housing and Preservation Department (HPD), the Department of City Planning, and Borough Presidents' Offices across all five boroughs. In her most recent role as a

Department of Buildings Project Manager at Schimenti Construction Company, Torres oversaw NYC-filed projects and ensured full regulatory compliance and timely delivery.

Born and raised in Brooklyn, Torres received her bachelor's degree at SUNY Institute of Technology at Utica. For the past six months, Torres has collaborated closely with BCM in a consulting role, providing assistance to the facilities team and developing a comprehensive understanding of their building, systems, and operational requirements. As Director of Building Operations, Torres now oversees the maintenance, operations, and safety of BCM's 100,000 square foot LEED-certified building, as well as 30,000 square feet of outdoor space, including a rooftop terrace and garden.

In her new role, Torres will focus on strengthening operational systems, improving day-to-day building functionality and ensuring that BCM consistently reflects the highest standards of safety, accessibility, and care.

"As a Brooklyn native, it's an honor to give back to the community that raised me through this role," says **Amanda Torres**. "As I step into the role of Director of Building Operations, I'm thrilled to support environments where families feel welcome and children are inspired to learn through play and discovery. I am especially excited to collaborate across teams to enhance the overall visitor experience and ensure our facilities fully support BCM's mission of creating spaces where curiosity, identity and joyful learning can thrive."

"We're excited to welcome Amanda to BCM full-time after already benefiting from her support over the past six months," said **Atiba T. Edwards, President and CEO of Brooklyn Children's Museum**. "Amanda brings the clarity, care, and operational excellence needed to support the various communities BCM serves. We appreciate the extensive experience she brings to our team, rooted in a purposeful approach to managing fast-paced and complex operations."

About Brooklyn Children's Museum

Inspired by the energy and diversity of our borough, Brooklyn Children's Museum creates experiences that ignite curiosity, celebrate identity, and cultivate joyful learning. Founded in 1899 as the world's first children's museum, Brooklyn Children's Museum is New York City's largest cultural institution designed especially for families. Proudly based in Crown Heights, Brooklyn, BCM serves 300,000 children and caregivers annually through exhibits and programs grounded in visual arts, music and performance, natural science, and world cultures.

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