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Brooklyn Children's Museum Welcomes 2 Girls & a Cookshop as New Culinary Program Partner

— The Jamaican mother-daughter team will serve Jamaican tacos and street food at BCM from November 7 through January 31 —



Mother-Daughter Duo Shelly and Jataun Flash.
Photo courtesy of 2 Girls & a Cookshop

(Brooklyn, NY)—Brooklyn Children's Museum (BCM) will welcome 2 Girls & a Cookshop to its café as the newest resident in the Museum's Culinary Residency & Incubator Support Program (CRISP), which supports local food entrepreneurs and brings Brooklyn's diverse culinary traditions to children and families.

The residency will run from Saturday, November 7, 2026, through Sunday, January 31, 2027, with regular service on Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays from 11:00 am–5:00 pm.

Founded by mother and daughter Shelly and Jataun Flash, 2 Girls & a Cookshop serves Jamaican tacos and street food inspired by the cookshops of Jamaica and the cultural influences of New York. Chef Shelly Flash has appeared on FOX's *MasterChef* and Food Network's *The Great Food Truck Race*, and the business has been featured in *The New York Times* and *VegOut Magazine*.

"BCM is delighted to welcome 2 Girls & a Cookshop as our next CRISP vendor and introduce families to their creative take on Jamaican food," said **Atiba T. Edwards, President & CEO of Brooklyn Children's Museum**. "Founded by Chef Shelly and her daughter Jataun, 2 Girls brings the flavors and cultural traditions of the Caribbean and its diaspora to our visitors, along with the creativity and entrepreneurial spirit that make Brooklyn so special. Through CRISP, we're proud to support growing local businesses while providing new experiences for the children and families we serve."

"To me, Brooklyn is home. From its rich diversity and deep culture to the literal soundtrack of the streets, it's a place that tells you that you can be anything you want to be," said **Chef Shelly Flash.** "Partnering with Brooklyn Children's Museum is a beautiful full-circle moment for me. I used to bring my daughter Jataun here when she was little, and now, I have the incredible opportunity to serve our beloved community right alongside her."

The family-friendly menu at BCM will include:

- Jerk Chicken Dinner Tacos
- Chop Cheese Bodega Tacos
- Vegan Jerk BBQ Tacos
- Jerk Cheese Nachos
- Chicken Over Rice Bowls
- Special Kids Menu featuring Nuggets and Fries, Mini Bowls, Jerk Chicken Caesar Salad Wrap
- Breakfast Burritos
- Mixed Fruit Cups

"Brooklyn is unapologetically one of one. There is truly no other place that allows you to express your creativity so freely," said **co-owner Jataun Flash. "** I am so excited to pour back into the neighborhood that has given us both so much."

CRISP supports local food entrepreneurs and organizations by providing opportunities to grow their businesses, connect with new audiences, and engage directly with the community through café residencies and food-based workshops. 2 Girls & a Cookshop follows CMarty's Jerk and Rogers Burgers as the Museum's newest café resident.

CRISP is supported by a $100,000 grant from the **Wells Fargo Foundation**, which enables the Museum to provide increased opportunities for culinary vendors and organizations to have a presence at BCM, including residencies and workshops.

BCM anticipates connecting resident businesses with 15,000–20,000 Museum visitors each month (60,000 - 80,000 over the course of their residency), providing the opportunity to grow their customer base and refine their business model.

For more information about the café and CRISP, visit **brooklynkids.org/cafe** and **brooklynkids.org/crisp**. To learn more about 2 Girls & a Cookshop, visit **2girlscookshop.com**.

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.
For more information, visit **www.brooklynkids.org**.

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