



Press Release

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Kavita Channe to MC the Building Fantastic Futures Luncheon benefitting Museum of Discovery and Science's Internship Programs on May 10, 2017

Fort Lauderdale, FL – May 3, 2017 – The Museum of Discovery and Science's auxiliary organization, Friends of MODS, is hosting the 4th Annual BFF (Building Fantastic Futures) Luncheon to benefit the Museum's special internship programs on May 10, 2017 at the Tower Club Fort Lauderdale, located at 100 SE 3rd Avenue, 28th Floor, Fort Lauderdale, 33394. The Master of Ceremonies will be Kavita Channe from NFL & Fox Sports and host of South Florida's VIP TV and panelist on the Jacksonville daytime talk show, The Chat. The Luncheon is co-chaired by Deborah Madden, of Gunster and Brendan Griffin of Brown & Brown of Florida, Inc.

In 2013, Friends of MODS adopted the BFF (Building Fantastic Futures) Campaign, an outreach and fundraising effort to provide youth development and internship programs at MODS. These programs help develop basic job skills, discover career aptitudes, enrich STEM education and build a better future for the youth in our communities. 100% of proceeds raised at the 4th Annual BFF Luncheon, will benefit this campaign.

Museum President/CEO Kim Cavendish said, "The Building Fantastic Futures Luncheon is a wonderful event supporting the BFF Campaign fundraising effort, which helps to develop job and career skills while building a positive future for our youth through internship programs at the Museum of Discovery and Science."

In addition to providing job experience and mentorship opportunities, the Museum offers a stimulating, supportive work environment that can positively shape the interns' attitudes toward science, education, career and life choices. These program help prepare these children and young adults for future employment, either at the Museum or elsewhere. It also equips them with tools and self-confidence to become productive adults after the internship program.

Sponsors include the Fritch Foundation, Cardiac Care, Helen Readding, Bank of America, JM Family, Grant Thornton, Gunster, Brown & Brown of Florida, Inc, Doubletime Digital and Vip TV.

To register for the luncheon: www.friendsofmods.org or by calling 954.713.0918.

Ticket Prices: \$60 Friends of MODS Members / \$70 Non-Members. Table of 10: \$600
Sponsorship opportunities available.

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ABOUT FRIENDS OF MODS

The mission of Friends of MODS is to provide the Museum of Discovery and Science with financial support, volunteer service and community awareness. Through hands-on participation in fundraising events and volunteer opportunities they serve as goodwill ambassadors for the museum in a meaningful way.

ABOUT THE MUSEUM OF DISCOVERY AND SCIENCE

The mission of the Museum of Discovery and Science is to provide experiential pathways to lifelong learning in science for children and adults through exhibits, programs and films. Founded in 1976 as The Discovery Center, the nonprofit facility serves approximately 400,000 visitors annually. Major operational support for the Museum is provided through generous support by Leadership Guild members including: JM Family Enterprises, Inc., Jet Blue and Wells Fargo.

The Museum is open seven days a week, 365 days a year; Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 6 p.m. Combination Ticket prices are \$21 for adults; \$19 for seniors 65+; \$16 for active/retired military personnel; \$16 for children 2 to 12. Children under 2 are free. A Combination Ticket includes admission to the Museum exhibits and one classic 45-minute IMAX documentary movie. The Museum of Discovery and Science is located downtown at 401 SW Second Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33312. For more information about the Museum, visitors should call 954.467.MODS (6637) or visit our web site at www.mods.org

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