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MIAMI CHILDREN'S MUSEUM
BOUTIQUE-STYLE GIFT SHOP
GETS TOTAL MAKEOVER!
OPENS TO THE PUBLIC ON
MONDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

The unique and educational boutique style KidsSmart Gift Shop at the Miami Children's Museum has undergone a remarkable renovation to be more colorful, engaging and visually exciting. It has been designed by Tom Grabowski Associates and built by SFY Architectural and will open to the public on Monday, October 24th at 10AM. Newly renamed the Gloria Martin KidsSmart Gift Shop, in honor of the patron who funded the recapitalization of the facility, it will engage a new generation of visitors to the store which first opened within the Museum in 2003. The Miami Children's Museum is located at 980 MacArthur Causeway on Watson Island in Miami.

The Gloria Martin KidsSmart Gift Shop specializes in stimulating toys for children of all ages and all merchandise is carefully chosen to meet developmental needs, arouse curiosity, evoke creativity, and most of all, for inspiring imaginations through fun and play.

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Visitors of all ages are encouraged to play together, learn, imagine, create and browse KidSmart until their heart's content. The gift shop specializes in personal shopping, unique items, free gift wrapping and personalized gift baskets to meet every guest's needs shopping for newborns through teens

The Miami Children's Museum offers bilingual and interactive exhibits; programs and classes and learning materials related to arts, culture, community and communication. They have 14 interactive galleries as well as housing many exciting and fun traveling exhibits. Starting in November be sure to visit their newest special exhibit "Pirate Island."

The Gloria Martin KidsSmart Gift Shop will open to the public on Monday, October 24th at 10AM. It is located just off the front lobby of the Miami Children's Museum at 980 MacArthur Causeway on Watson Island in Miami. For more information go to the website at www.miamichildrensmuseum.org or call (305)373-KIDS (5437).

About Miami Children's Museum

Founded in 1983, Miami Children's Museum is dedicated to enriching the lives of all children by fostering a love of learning and enabling children to realize their highest potential. Visitors of all ages are encouraged to play together, learn, imagine and create. The 56,500-square-foot facility includes 14 galleries, classrooms, parent/teacher resource center, 200-seat auditorium and outdoor exhibits, including a new playground. The museum offers hundreds of bilingual, interactive exhibits; programs and classes, including special needs classes; Subway restaurant; Kid Smart educational gift shop and learning materials related to arts, culture, community and communication. To learn more about the museum, please visit www.miamichildrensmuseum.org.

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