

Renee Henry: Renee Henry, Terre Haute Children's Museum. Learner, resourceful, connector. awertman: Good Afternoon! Abby Wertman from Da Vinci Science Center in PA!! Three words to describe myself would be creative, energetic and a growth mindset!!

Jamie Bonnett. KidsQuest Children's Museum: Auntie, play advocate and explorer of fun! Jamie Bonnett, Director of Education

Itincher: Eclectic, educator, enthusiastic! Terre Haute Children's Museum.

EdVenture Children's Museum: Robin Harriford; Director of Development; EdVenture in Columbia, SC

Susan Yarad: Hello! Susan Yarad, Perot Museum of Nature and Science, fundraiser, writer, strategist

Nick Wethington | he/him | MechaNickal Wonders: Hello, all! Tinkerer, astronomer, STEAM enthusiast

Cailee Smith, PacSci (she/her): Hello! Cailee Smith, Exhibit Developer at Pacific Science Center. Lifelong learner, STEM communicator, pun master 🙂

Bobbie Jo Meredith: Bobbie Meredith from Discovery Center at Murfree Spring. Curious, stem enthusiast, life long learner.

Maggie Knies: Maggie Knies - Director of Educational Programming at Discovery Science Museum in CT!

Jenny Roe, Imagination Station: Jenny Roe, Imagination Station in Toledo, OH. Three words to describe me: reader, learner, traveler

Ashe Barker: Ashe from the Monroe Science Center : enthusiastic, driven and caring. Laurie Altringer, Science Vortex: Laurie Altringer- Science Vortex- Cottonwood, AZ, STEM Educator, Mom, Traveler

Samantha Mugica: Hello from Children's Science Center Lab! Samantha Mugica Scientist, community engager, museum nerd

Gennadyi Gurman: Gennadyi Gurman, he/him, from Brooklyn Children's Museum. Curious, caffeinated, chatter

Janet White, MOSI Tampa: Janet from MOSI...flexible, collaborative, and educator Claire Johnston (Boston Children's Museum): Hi everyone! I'm Claire, a STEAM Educator at Boston Children's Museum: Educator, Learner, Play Facilitator! :)

Christy Roberts (she/her), MSDC: Hi from the McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center in Concord, NH! Three words: STEM educator, knitter, dramatic

Mollie Kreb-Mertig (she/her) | CNHM: Hello! Mollie, Curator/Naturalist from the Cable Natural History Museum in rural NW Wisconsin. Collaborator, collector, creative.

Juan Camilo: Hi, I'm Juan Camilo Tovar-Castro, Research lead at FundaZoo (Barranquilla's Zoo in Colombia). I'd describe myself as a reader, psychologist, and curious

EGraves: Erin Graves, Programs Director at Catawba Science Center - beer enthusiast, dissector of all the things, tinkerer



Rich - Cable Natural History Museum: Rich Cable Natural History Museum, Director, passionate life-long learner, curious soul.

Brenda Britsch: Learn more about NGCP: <u>https://ngcproject.org/</u>

Imagination Station: Sloan Eberly Mann, Chief Education Officer, Imagination Station...STEM advocate, curious, mom.

Jennifer Stancil: HI! Jen Stancil - CDO at Techbridge Girls - innovator, creative, passion for gender equity

Kate Fox: Kate Fox, Emerald Coast Science Center, creative, stem advocate, bookworm Brenda Britsch: Learn more about ASTC: <u>https://www.astc.org/</u>

Christine Pamphile with EdVenture: HI! Christine Pamphile, Museum Manager at EdVenture, Columbia, SC

Brenda Britsch: Network resources: <u>https://ngcproject.org/ifthen-champions-network</u> Brenda Britsch: Collection: <u>https://www.ifthencollection.org/</u>

Brenda Britsch: Initiative: https://www.ifthenshecan.org/

Ann Christianson: HI esteemed champions! This is Ann Christianson, Executive Director of the Children's Museum of La Crosse, Wisconsin. "West coast of Wisconsin" - on the shore of the Mighty Mississippi River.

Ella Heckman: Hello! I'm Ella Heckman, Director of Museum Experience, WonderLab Museum in Bloomington, IN, curious, enthusiastic learner, parent.

Emily Early (she/her): Thanks all for sharing! So excited to see you here today!

Brenda Britsch: I love seeing everyone's 3 word descriptions :-)

Ralia Vardaxis: Hi! I'm Ralia Vardaxis, ED of Reading Science Center in Reading, PA. Jennifer Stancil: sorry Brenda! I didn't know it was just 3 words! I think I went over!

Replying: Brenda Britsch: Ha! Not a problem @Jennifer Stancil Emerald Coast Science Center: Diane Fraser, director Emerald Coast Science Center, named after our beautiful beaches on the Gulf of Mexico-educator, collaborator and curious Laurie Altringer, Science Vortex: We pair up with school districts that have transportation to our

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Cailee Smith, PacSci (she/her): My focus right now is exhibits! When our exhibits feature images of people, we try to depict different appearances, hair types, body types/shapes, movement styles so hopefully everyone sees themselves in our exhibits.

Hope Burdolski: We try to showcase a wide range of individuals in our imagery for signage so everyone can see themselves represented in the field.

Brenda Britsch: For a summer program NGCP hosts, we have focused on highlighting role models who are diverse and have experienced different pathways to STEM.

EdVenture Children's Museum: We have IF/THEN posters in various places in the museum: BioLab, Tinker Tech, FLIGHT, and more. We also bring women in science from our community

to interact with visitors such as Women in Nuclear from Westinghouse.

Jenny Roe, Imagination Station: We have had If/Then ambassadors present in person and virtually to different audiences.



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Stephanie (World Forestry Center): Ensuring when we curate our public programming so that there are women represented. Doing extra work and carving out time to find content providers, rather than only going with the easy to find people

Replying: Brenda Britsch: Good point @Stephanie (World Forestry Center) It can be extra work/time to do this

Replying: Stephanie (World Forestry Center): and so worth it!

Gennadyi Gurman: I've interspersed my STEM presentation slides with photos and bios of bipoc women scientists that are involved in relevant fields

Jamie Bonnett. KidsQuest Children's Museum: Creating new challenges that support collaborative work. Building hydraulic lifts to support "frogs who can't jump" or building new homes for displaced pigs (from our engineering through stories).

Renee Henry: Make an effort to hire diverse staff.

Replying: Brenda Britsch: Great point - this is a whole other level to think about Kelly Lao Putnam Museum: We are always cognizant of representation when marketing all events at our museum. Additionally we use If/Then materials in classrooms.

Kate Fox: We host our Girls Empowered with Math & Science Workshops for free at the local library next to a bus stop for ease of access, and we highlight a different female scientist each month at the workshops. We also use the "This is What a Scientist Looks Like" posters at our annual Women in Science Conference, and around our museum

Replying: Brenda Britsch: I love this - really meeting them where they are! Emerald Coast Science Center: We offer a free program at our local library-GEMS-Girls Empowered in Math and Science.

Christy Roberts (she/her), MSDC: In the past, we have had scholarships for ELL and refugee students for our summer camps.

Nick Wethington | he/him | MechaNickal Wonders: At my former museum we always highlighted STEM role models. When selecting role models for signage, we used the IF/THEN collection and made sure to find a broad range of folks (rural, native, local) to lift up through this interpretive element.

Jennifer Stancil: Many of the women in the collection may not look like they are intersectional but often they are. It's not disclosed who is from the queer community or neurodiverse or differently abled. It would be wonderful to highlight particular if/then champions during, for instance, pride month.

Samantha Mugica: We use the IF/THEN collection to showcase someone at the end of our experiment e-books with a connection to the experiment they just did.

Ralia Vardaxis: We conduct a weekly afterschool program for girls in grade 4 - 6. They conduct a different STEM investigation every week and learn from women STEM professionals.

Kata Lucas (she/her): These are all such great examples!

Jennifer Stancil: Thank you so much! I didn't know this was in keywords!

Cailee Smith, PacSci (she/her): I love how she is talking about how social and collaborative STEM can be and is breaking a stereotype!





Jenny Roe, Imagination Station: STEMIE is great! Emily Early (she/her): If you have any favorite representation in STEM resources/organizations, feel free to add them to the chat! Dale McCreedy: Yes - women in the trades was missing so this is great - especially some ambassadors without college degrees. Wonderful Jennifer Stancil: here here dale Brenda Britsch: The rest of her video is great - as is the one of Denise Bailey Caitlin Ervin, spectrUM Discovery Area: We love having that exhibit kit, they're really well made. Replying: Brenda Britsch: That is great to hear! Jennifer Stancil: For anyone who wants to integrate Techbridge Girls into their museum or be part of our leadership cohort, we are open now for applications. FTW Museum of Science and History has developed a very comprehensive program. The program is at no cost to you. We'll be at ASTC as well. You can find out more at https://www.techbridgegirls.org/what-wedo/#programs or just connect with me at jstancil@techbridgegirls.org. We are doing greater integration of the IF/THEN network into our role models in curriculum. Christy Roberts (she/her), MSDC: Is that one stipend per cycle or just one total? Andrea Foster (she/her): Can you remind us where to find info for Kit 1? Does it have its' own landing page on the website? Andrea Foster (she/her): Thank you! Emily Early (she/her): Opportunities for organizational members: https://ngcproject.org/ifthenchampions-network-opportunities Brenda Britsch: General Network resources: https://ngcproject.org/ifthen-champions-network Brenda Britsch: Join the LinkedIn Group: https://www.linkedin.com/groups/14440302/ Brenda Britsch: We're looking forward to seeing many of you at ASTC! Stephanie (World Forestry Center): Thank you for doing what you do!! Emily Early (she/her): eearly@ngcproject.org Caitlin Ervin, spectrUM Discovery Area: Thank you! EdVenture Children's Museum: Thanks so much! Always wonderful. Itincher: Thank you, have great day everyone! J Camilo Tovar: Thank you for hosting this space! Have a good one! Jennifer Stancil: Great job! Maggie Knies: Thank you! Claire Johnston (Boston Children's Museum): Thank you!! EGraves: Thanks! Samantha Mugica: Thank you!! Rich - Cable Natural History Museum: Thank you! Cailee Smith, PacSci (she/her): Thank you! Christine Pamphile with EdVenture: Thank you!