

## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **KID Museum Celebrates Current and Future Changemakers with Fête for the Future**

*The virtual celebration will honor radio journalist Kojo Nnamdi, education pioneer and President of Harlem Children's Zone Geoffrey Canada, and disability rights activist and civil rights advocate Judy Heumann*

*Livestream to Air on Thursday, December 9 at 7 p.m. ET*

**Bethesda, MD ( December 2, 2021)** — To celebrate the power, possibilities and impact of maker learning, KID Museum, the leading educational makerspace for K-8 students in the greater Washington DC region, will host its annual celebration of visionary changemakers, Fête for the Future, on Thursday, Dec. 9. The event honors extraordinary people who embody the maker spirit— leaders who demonstrate empathy, curiosity, creativity and perseverance and take action to build a better world. This year, KID Museum recognizes Kojo Nnamdi, Geoffrey Canada, and Judy Heumann.

KID Museum will recognize acclaimed radio journalist and event host Kojo Nnamdi for his extraordinary accomplishments fostering empathy, understanding and service to the community with the “Community Maker Award;” Geoffrey Canada, education pioneer, social activist, author and President of Harlem Children’s Zone with the “Opportunity Maker Award;” and Judy Heumann, international disability rights activist and civil rights advocate with the Justice Maker Award. Each of these extraordinary changemakers embody the “mind of a maker,” and KID Museum is honoring their significant contributions to making a positive difference in the world while serving as role models for the next generation of changemakers.

In addition to celebrating these extraordinary changemakers, this virtual, live streamed event will feature young makers ready to make the world a better place, as well as shine a light on KID Museum’s mission to cultivate the skills and mindset for the next generation of makers. Through the experience of hands-on, project-based learning, youth are developing technical skills in coding and STEM, honing their creative

problem-solving skills and learning empathy, collaboration and perseverance. They are also building a positive mindset that contributes to becoming confident changemakers to invent a better future.

“At KID Museum, we provide young people with opportunities to see themselves as the next generation of creative problem-solvers and visionary changemakers. And we are deeply committed to prioritizing populations that are often overlooked or left behind. The honorees joining this year’s Fête for the Future are inspiring examples of the types of leaders all young people can become,” said KID Museum Founder and Executive Director, Cara Lesser.

## **EVENT DETAILS**

**What:** Fête for the Future is a celebration of visionary change makers hosted by KID Museum honoring Kojo Nnamdi, Geoffrey Canada, and Judy Heumann.

**When:** December 9, 2021 7:00 PM ET

**Where:** Virtual Livestream. Learn more at [kid-museum.org/fete](https://kid-museum.org/fete)

**Who:** Host and honorees include:

- **Kojo Nnamdi** - Compassionate Leader, American Radio Journalist, Host & Community Maker Award Honoree - @Nnamdikid
- **Geoffrey Canada** - Education pioneer, social activist, author & President of Harlem Children’s Zone, Opportunity Maker Award Honoree - @GEO\_CANADA
- **Judy Heumann** - International Disability Rights Activist & Civil Rights Advocate, Justice Maker Award Honoree - @judithheumann

## **KID Museum Social Media Links:**

- Twitter - @KIDMuseumMD
- Instagram - @kidmuseum
- Facebook - @KIDMuseum
- Fête 2021 Hashtags - #FeteForTheFuture #mindofamaker #IAmAMaker

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### **About KID Museum**

KID Museum is the region's pioneering experiential museum and educational makerspace. The organization fosters the "Mind of a Maker" and empowers the next generation of changemakers with the skills to invent the future. Through hands-on programs, KID Museum challenges young people to be active makers, building agency, confidence, and creative problem-solving skills. KID Museum designs and delivers programs across the full continuum of learning for K-8 students in partnership with educators and schools. KID Museum's weekend onsite programs, community events, and live, virtual sessions encourage families to learn and explore together. The organization is part of a growing movement to remake education for every young person, putting them in the driver's seat of their learning and trusting them to be agents of change. For more information, please visit [www.kid-museum.org](http://www.kid-museum.org).

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