

Galleries and Exhibits Transform for Sensory Aware Saturday *After Hours Experience Provides A Sensory Safe and Friendly Environment*

Fort Worth, TX - After doors close to the general public on Saturday, September 30, the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History will alter nearly every space to create a different experience and environment for individuals on the autism spectrum during Sensory Aware Saturday, between 5:30 and 7:30 pm. The event is limited to 400 guests.

"This Museum is dedicated to extraordinary learning in every way and we acknowledge not every person learns in the same manner," said Van A. Romans, museum president. "It is important to create the best learning environments we can for as many learners as possible. With changes to lighting and sound, we can make our environment more inviting to some and that's what Sensory Aware Saturday is all about."

Hosted by the Museum's Research and Learning Center, Sensory Aware Saturday offers a comfortable, accepting atmosphere where parents are encouraged to connect with other families. Event activities will be facilitated by therapists and modifications at the Museum for the evening include:

- Adjustments to light and sound levels.
- Attendance limited to 400 guests.
- Closed to the public.

Sensory Aware Saturday is free for those on the autism spectrum and their families, but space is limited and registration is required. Visit <u>here</u> to learn more. Requests for media access must be submitted prior to the event.

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About the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History

The Museum was established in 1941 and is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums. Anchored by its rich collections, the Museum is dedicated to lifelong learning. It engages guests through creative, vibrant programs and exhibits interpreting science and the history of Texas and the Southwest. The Museum is open daily, except Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Visit <u>www.fortworthmuseum.org</u> for more.