



Arizona Science Center Names Anita Theisen as the New Chair of the Board of Trustees
Theisen Follows Service of Mary Martuscelli

PHOENIX, AZ - June 23, 2020 - Arizona Science Center Board of Trustees appointed Anita Theisen as the new Chair of the Board of Trustees for a two year term beginning July 1, 2022. An expert in architecture and exhibit curation, Theisen is also an owner of Theisen Automotive Group and has been Vice Chair of Arizona Science Center's Board since 2020.

"Anita is a true thought partner in helping the Science Center best serve its audiences and communities," said Guy Labine, The Hazel A. Hare President and CEO of Arizona Science Center. "I greatly value her knowledge of what it takes to develop high-quality guest experiences as well as her deep understanding of Arizona culture and history. We are in excellent hands with her as Board Chair."

In addition to sitting on the Board of Trustees for Arizona Science Center, Theisen serves on the Board of the Jones-Gordon School Foundation. She has previously served on the Boards of the International School of Arizona and Homeward Bound, and the Directors Circle of Phoenix Childrens Hospital.

"Serving as a Board Member allows me to combine my love and appreciation for cultural institutions with the business acumen I've gained over the years," said Theisen. "These last two years as Vice Chair during a pandemic have been rewarding and challenging and I look forward to partnering with the Board and Science Center team to expand our work."

Additional Board appointments include:

Robert Miller, Vice Chair
Mary Martuscelli, Past Chair
Doug Young, Treasurer
B.J. Freeman, Secretary

The Board and team also recognized outgoing Chair Mary Martuscelli for her support in guiding the organization during the COVID pandemic. The Board's responsibilities include providing strategic counsel and governance for the leadership team and the organization and helping generate support for Arizona Science Center's programs and services throughout the community.



ABOUT ARIZONA SCIENCE CENTER

The mission of Arizona Science Center is to inspire, educate, and engage curious minds through science. The Center, located at 600 E. Washington Street in downtown Phoenix, features more than 300 hands-on exhibits, live demonstrations, a range of interactive online science content, the state-of-the-art Dorrance Planetarium, and the five-story Irene P. Flinn Giant Screen Theater and exciting science programs for people of all ages. CREATE at Arizona Science Center®, adjacent to the main building, is a 6,500 square-foot community maker space provides workshops, including 3D printing, laser cutting, woodworking, and sewing. Arizona Science Center offers programs for all ages, including CAMP INNOVATION, Teen programs, Professional Development and Learning for Educators, and so much more. To learn more or to reserve tickets, visit azscience.org or call 602-716-2000.

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