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Fort Worth Museum of Science and History's Research and Learning Center Celebrates Award

Society Acknowledges Expertise in Mind, Brain and Education

Fort Worth, TX – The Research and Learning Center (RLC), an innovative research and education project, has been awarded the prestigious Exemplifying the Mission Award from The International Mind, Brain and Education Society. The RLC launched in 2014 as a collaboration between the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History and the Southwest Center for Mind, Brain and Education at the University of Texas at Arlington's College of Education.

The RLC supports researchers from a variety of fields, from psychology and kinesiology to urban planning and computer science, as they conduct their active research studies with museum guests. The Center also provides additional opportunities for research dissemination. The Center's MBE goal is to enhance communication between researchers and the public, strengthening research connections and organizing meaningful learning experiences for both researchers and the public.

The field of Mind, Brain and Education (MBE) is an emerging area of study which explores the neurobiological and psychological factors involved in the learning process. Museum guests are invited to participate in ongoing research studies conducted by the RLC, housed in the Museum. Creative interactions between researchers and the public are encouraged as these studies explore, challenge and integrate principles from the field of MBE.

"I am so very proud of the work that is being done by the RLC," said Van A. Romans, Museum President. "Since the beginning of this collaboration, our Museum guests have truly come to appreciate the unique opportunity they have to participate in these studies. They have access to cutting edge research and the opportunity to have one-on-one conversations with scientists and educators who are tops in their fields. This award is the validation of important work done here."

Over the last two years, research studies supported by the RLC have enlisted more than ten thousand participants.

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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. For more information, visit www.fortworthmuseum.org