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Betty Brinn Children's Museum Announces New Board Members

Michael Belot and Julie Dahms join the Museum's Board of Directors.

MILWAUKEE, WI – (Dec. 28, 2023) — The Betty Brinn Children's Museum has announced two additions to their Board of Directors. Michael Belot and Julie Dahms join the Museum's 23-person Board, with Laura Orr as the board chair. Michael Belot is the senior vice president of Bucks Ventures and Development for the Milwaukee Bucks. Prior to the Milwaukee Bucks, Belot was with Kohler Co. and managed several aspects of the KOHLER experience. Belot was also a member of the Kohler Executive Management team and served as the vice chairman for the record-breaking 2015 PGA Championship and 2020 Ryder Cup at Whistling Straits. He earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Minnesota and an MBA from the University of St. Thomas-Opus College of Business. Belot resides in Mequon with his wife Katie and their three children: Oliver, Theodore and Caroline.

Julie Dahms is the Herzfeld Foundation's vice president. Prior to joining the Herzfeld Foundation, Dahms was senior staff counsel at Kasdorf, Lewis & Swietlik, where she practiced worker's compensation defense. She earned bachelor's degrees in German Literature and English Literature from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and a Juris Doctor from Loyola University Chicago School of Law. Dahms resides in Thiensville with her husband, Fred, and they enjoy spending time with their children, who attend the School of Architecture & Urban Planning at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

"Julie's experience partnering with various Milwaukee arts, culture and educational organizations will be a crucial asset in advancing our future work," said Tina Quealy, Betty Brinn Children's Museum's CEO. "Our relationship with the Herzfeld Foundation has been invaluable. Michael's expertise in marketing, events and business development is a great fit for our journey ahead in building a new museum. It's no secret that we love the Milwaukee Bucks, and we are excited to have Michael Belot join our team!"

The Museum's Board, along with the Museum's CEO Tina Quealy, provide leadership for the organization's strategic planning, financial oversight and fundraising in support of its educational mission.

About Betty Brinn Children's Museum

The mission of the [Betty Brinn Children's Museum](#) (BBCM) is to inspire all children to wonder and explore their world through play and innovative, hands-on learning experiences. The Museum opened in 1995 and serves almost 200,000 visitors each year at its downtown Milwaukee location. BBCM is dedicated to ensuring that all children have access to its interactive educational exhibits and programs designed to promote the social, emotional and intellectual growth of children from birth through age 10.