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Connecticut Governor Dannel P. Malloy Receives First Ever "Education Innovation Award"

WEST HARTFORD, Conn (April 23, 2012) The Children's Museum today announced the organization will present Connecticut Governor Dannel P. Malloy with the first annual "Education Innovation Award." The award recognizes individuals and organizations that demonstrate a staunch commitment to promoting innovative educational opportunities for a 21st century global community.

"Governor Malloy is leading the statewide charge to view education in new ways, just as we are transforming the model of a traditional children's museum into a new and vital hub for children, parents and teachers to create life-long learners," said Robert Griesmer, President and Chief Executive Officer of The Children's Museum.

The award will be accepted by Governor Malloy via video address during the 16th Annual Gala of The Children's Museum on Saturday, May 5th at the Tumblebrook Country Club in Bloomfield. Among the evening's many highlights are plans to unveil growth plans for the long established organization. Proceeds from the evening support educational and outreach programs of The Children's Museum and Roaring Brook Nature Center, the region's premiere destinations for science and nature exploration.

Tickets for this event are still available, contact Robin DeBerry at 860.231.2830 x23 to experience "A Child's World."

The Children's Museum features over 100 live animals, including the now famous Fennec foxes, hands-on science exhibits, out-of-this-world digital planetarium shows, and programs for younger children and families. The Children's Museum and Roaring Brook Nature Center are the region's premiere destinations for science and nature exploration.

The Children's Museum is located at 950 Trout Brook Drive in West Hartford and at Roaring Brook Nature Center in Canton. More information is available at www.TheChildrensMuseumCT.org.

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