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WOW! Children's Museum Receives \$5,000 Grant from Xcel Energy Foundation

Lafayette, Colorado -- WOW! Children's Museum (World of Wonder) today announced the Museum has received a \$5,000 arts and culture grant from the Xcel Energy Foundation. WOW! Children's Museum will use this grant to fund and support arts and culture programming, performances and special events in 2011.

"The Xcel Energy Foundation has been greatly responsible for our ability to provide a variety of quality music, artistic, cultural and dramatic performances, special events and drop-in classes to the children and families of Colorado. This grant will enable us to continue to serve our community and inspire our young audiences," said Lisa Atallah, Executive Director, WOW! Children's Museum.

About Xcel Energy Foundation: Through their focus area grants, the Xcel Energy Foundation supports nonprofit organizations that improve science, technology, economic and math; education, improve and enhance the natural environment; help individuals achieve; economic self-sufficiency, and that provide access to; arts and culture. In addition, the Xcel Energy Foundation looks for opportunities to partner with organizations that share their commitment of promoting a culture of diversity and inclusion. In 2009, the Xcel Energy Foundation contributed \$3.8 million in focus area grants to organizations across their service territory.

About WOW! Children's Museum: Founded in 1996, WOW! Children's Museum (World of Wonder) is a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization that is dedicated to providing educational interactive exhibits, activities, and programs for all children - bringing families together in a creative environment that sparks imagination, inspires learning through play, and supports school readiness.

For more information: Contact WOW! at (303) 604-2424 or visit www.wowchildrensmuseum.org. WOW! is located at 110 N. Harrison Avenue in downtown Lafayette. Find WOW! Children's Museum on Facebook.

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Winter Business Hours: Tuesday -Wednesday: 9am-5pm; Thursday -Saturday: 10am-6pm; Sunday: 12pm-4pm; Monday: Closed. Toddler Hour (Ages 5 and under only): Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9am-10am.

General Admission: Children, \$7.00; adults are free. Special field trip rates. WOW! has a bring your own snack/lunch area; we do parties all week long. Call 303-604-2424 for more information.