Please Touch Museum

for Children



To whom it may concern:

The Tamer Tewfik Trio kicked off the Seventh Annual Junior Jazz Weekend at the Please Touch Museum®, playing to and with an enthusiastic crowd of young children and adults. It quickly became clear that the trio's presentation of the interactive Jazz Assembly was the perfect introduction to jazz music for young children and families and the ideal jumpstart to our attendance record-setting jazz weekend! Young and old alike were quickly connected with the sounds of jazz and were thrilled by the jazzy sound of songs they already know. Yes, they know jazz and they can play jazz too! Tamer Tewfik is a talented music educator, who encourages the young people to trust the improvisational jazz music. Children were invited to solo improvise on the piano as the trio backed them up. In these moments children experienced a strong sense of self, imagination and creativity. The grand finale of the program was a sight to behold. Children quickly learned their parts in the song "What a Wonderful World" and when all of the visual pieces were in place, they performed this touching song to the delight of the audience. We heard "Louis" and "Boogie Woogie", and the whole time-we were part of it all. Tamer Tewfik and his trio are superb educators and a pleasure to work with at the Please Touch Museum®. We enthusiastically recommend The Jazz Assembly for your school or education program. It is a celebration of jazz you won't want to miss!

Sincerely,

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