



SAN DIEGO MUSEUM OF MAN

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The San Diego Museum of Man Names Erin Spiewak as Chief Financial and Operations Officer

San Diego, Calif. – The San Diego Museum of Man has selected Erin Spiewak as its new Chief Financial and Operations Officer (CFO/COO). Ms. Spiewak assumed the role on January 13, 2020 and will oversee finance, accounting, operations, and human resources on behalf of the Museum.

"I am honored to join the Museum of Man and this team of remarkable people committed to engaging the community and being a leader in how we think about the world around us," said Ms. Spiewak. "From exhibits that tell compelling stories that teach and inspire us, to the innovative approaches the Museum is taking to engage new and frequent visitors, I look forward to contributing to the Museum's growth and future plans."

An established leader in San Diego's nonprofit sector, Ms. Spiewak most recently served as the Chief Executive Officer of Monarch School, a unique K-12 institution serving youth experiencing homelessness. While at Monarch School, Ms. Spiewak oversaw an instrumental capital campaign, renovating and opening the school's new Nat & Flora Bosa campus; grew the student body from 150 to 300 students, while expanding the staff from 19 to 40 team members; developed a state-of-the-art high school college career lab; and launched an annual fundraiser, which has raised over \$4M since 2015.

"Erin is an extraordinarily kind, thoughtful, and skilled leader with a phenomenal track record of success in our community," said Micah Parzen, CEO of the San Diego Museum of Man. "I know she will be a wonderful partner as we continue down our ambitious path, and I couldn't be more thrilled to bring her on our team."

Ms. Spiewak replaces Tabitha McMahon, who left the Museum in June 2019 after nearly six years in the role. Previously, Ms. Spiewak worked with several foundations including the Gary and Mary West Foundation, WebMD Health Foundation, and the Rose Foundation. Ms. Spiewak received a BA in Sociology from San Diego State University and her MBA from Webster University. She currently serves as a member of Women Give, San Diego and San Diego Rotary. Ms. Spiewak is a fellow of the Aspen Institute's Sector Skills Academy and a graduate of the LEAD San Diego INFLUENCE leadership program.

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The San Diego Museum of Man is a cultural anthropology museum that explores the human experience from multicultural perspectives to spark dialogue, self-reflection, and human connections. The Museum's mission is to inspire human connections by exploring the human experience. Its vision is to be San Diego's dynamic place to go to learn from each other, reflect on our place in the world, and build a

better community. The Museum has been a staple in Balboa Park since it was completed for the 1915 Panama-California Exposition and was designed by noted architect Bertram Goodhue.