

Call for Nominations - New Board Members

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Play Africa is an innovative non-profit company pioneering inclusive, family-friendly play and learning spaces in South Africa. As part of a global network of “children’s museums,” Play Africa invites everyone to discover new worlds, to wonder, to ask questions and to imagine a better future through interactive, hands-on exhibits, programming and play.

Play Africa runs a small interactive children’s play museum for children aged 0 to 10, as well as their families and schools, inside a former prison at the iconic Constitution Hill in inner-city Johannesburg, just 15 metres from Nelson Mandela’s cell. We transform this apartheid-era prison into a joyful family playscape of discovery and learning. Not every child can travel to Play Africa, so it also creates exciting pop-up experiences in communities themselves - in school halls, parks, community centres and inner city rooftops.

Together with its local and global partners, Play Africa expands access to play and equity, and has become a dynamic platform to champion children’s rights, foster social inclusion, and bring families together through inspiring play.

Board of Directors

Play Africa is recruiting two or more new members to serve on its Board of Directors for a three-year term. In this unpaid, volunteer position based in Johannesburg, board members provide leadership, governance and oversight to help further Play Africa’s mission. Nominations are sought from professionals with the following experience:

- Fundraising and donor development;
- Finance and accounting;
- Law;
- BBBEE partnerships;
- Operations management;
- Marketing;
- Early childhood development and/or foundation phase education; and
- Property, construction, and project management.

Successful candidates will:

- Share Play Africa’s passion to ignite the innate curiosity and potential inside every child by creating accessible playful learning environments where all children can discover, imagine, explore and learn;
- Be in good standing in their professional fields and/or in networks, and have demonstrated leadership in their fields of engagement;

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- Have strong networks related to the advancement of the rights, wellbeing, education and social inclusion of children and/or philanthropy;
- Be willing to dedicate a substantial amount of time to the governance of and fundraising for Play Africa on a voluntary basis; and
- Help expand Play Africa's reach by engaging directly with influencers, policy makers and funding networks.

In making final decisions about the candidates, the board seeks to ensure that the board, taken as a whole:

- Has a good mix of financial, legal, strategic, and fundraising competencies;
- Includes leaders from different sectors in the public, private, and social sectors; and
- Positions Play Africa as a dynamic, innovative, leading non-profit in South Africa.

Deadline

Nominations will be accepted until Friday, 8 February 2019. Nominations received after that date will not be considered.

Nominees should submit a motivational paragraph indicating what they believe they can bring to Play Africa's board, a CV and the names and contact details of two referees to info@playafrica.org.za, with "Board Member Application" in the email subject line.

Before making a final decision about candidates to be appointed, interviews will be held with short-listed candidates.

Play Africa reserves the right not to make any appointment to its Board of Directors.

For enquiries, please contact Play Africa at 011 480 4892.

For more information about Play Africa, visit <http://playafrica.org.za>.

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