



“As an educator of young children, I have learned that discovery through hands-on experiences is the best way for children to learn gain knowledge. Having a children’s museum means we have the opportunity to provide all sorts of interactive, play-based learning experiences that will facilitate creativity, inquiry-based learning and experimentation for all sorts of children!”

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As CEO and owner of It’s Behavioral, a Camarillo organization providing intervention services for children with autism spectrum disorder and other developmental delays, Jena is first and foremost an advocate for children and their families, with experience in the fields of child development, early childhood education and parent education. She is the parent of three grown children who are all avid museum-goers. A long-time resident of Ventura County, Jena is passionate about enriching the lives of individuals with autism and their families through increasing understanding and acceptance of people on the spectrum.

