Leveraging a Children's Museum to promote play-based learning in Africa: A case for South Africa

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Play Africa at Constitution Hill - former prison now a Human Rights Precinct
Joe Slovo courtyard at the Old Fort
Our image of the child
Education makerspace

Active Citizenship

Creative Arts

Parents, Teachers & Places

STEM
School halls, public spaces and community centres transformed into pop-up children's museums
A museum without walls - we bring groundbreaking exhibits and programmes where children live.
STEM Seeds: ECD for School Readiness & climate change awareness

STEM Seeds: ECD for School Readiness is an original Play Africa programme to build the confidence and creativity of South African ECD educators to teach and develop children's skills in science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM). This bridges opportunity gaps by equipping educators in low-resourced settings with creative, playful teaching methods. We help every ECD educator see how they already have the power to teach STEM with low-cost, everyday materials.
Curating learning experiences that change and transform lives

Based at the iconic Constitution Hill, children learn through interactive exhibits and workshops.

But not everyone can come to us, so we bring facilitated experiences and exhibits to communities.

9 provinces in South Africa

Face-to-face Outreach

Upscaling: 6 SADC Countries