



From: **Autism Academy of South Carolina**  
**EdVenture Children's Museum**

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## **AUTISM ACADEMY AND EDVENTURE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM CELEBRATE AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH WITH INTERACTIVE ART DISPLAY**

**COULMBIA, SC** (April 16, 2014) – The Autism Academy of South Carolina and EdVenture Children's Museum will celebrate Autism Awareness Month during April by installing an interactive picture puzzle artwork created by children with autism working together with their typically developing peers. **The event is scheduled for Wednesday, April 23 from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. at EdVenture, located at 211 Gervais Street in Columbia.**

The artwork is an interactive puzzle picture of EDDIE®, the world's largest child at EdVenture Children's Museum. The project was organized by a volunteer group of local professionals as a community service project for the Riley Institute's Diversity Leadership Initiative. Jim Lalumondier, artist-in-residence at Hammond School, conceived and directed the work.

The artwork was created jointly by children with autism attending the Autism Academy and area children without autism, including children learning about autism as part of EdVenture's Bio-Investigator program.

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Learn more about the Riley Institute program [HERE](#).

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