



# News Release

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## **Salt Lake City Teens Selected to Attend 2<sup>nd</sup> Worldwide Teen Summit**

Salt Lake City, July 9, 2004 – On July 13 four Salt Lake City teenagers who have participated in programs at the Intel Computer Clubhouse located at the Sorenson Multi-Cultural Center, will join nearly 200 young people from 15 countries in Boston for the Intel Computer Clubhouse Network's 2004 Teen Summit. The Salt Lake City area teens were selected based on leadership skills, technical and creative ability, and contributions to the community. Local attendees include: ***Israel Romero, 14; Brooklyn Pickens, 16; Janay Brooks, 16 and Christopher Jimenez 14.*** These teens will use technology to create solutions to issues faced by their communities and will be exposed to a range of opportunities related to their areas of interest, including a college and career fair, access to business professionals and various workshops.

“The goal of the Teen Summit is to inspire and excite Computer Clubhouse youth from underserved communities to develop fluency in technology and become self-motivated and confident learners through hands-on, participatory experiences that make learning fun,” said Sean Martin, Sorenson Computer Clubhouse Manager.

The Intel Computer Clubhouse Network Teen Summit activities will take place over 6 days at the Museum of Science, the MIT Media Lab, and Tufts University. Activities include workshops on web design, architecture, journalism, broadcasting, fashion photography and community mapping.

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### **The Computer Clubhouse Model**

Funded in part by the Intel Foundation, the Computer Clubhouse was founded in 1993 by The Computer Museum (now part of Boston's Museum of Science) in collaboration with the MIT Media Laboratory. Working with adult mentors, youth from underserved communities explore their own ideas and build confidence through the creative use of technology. Today, with the Clubhouse at the Museum of Science as the model, the Intel Computer Clubhouse Network, which now includes more than 80 Clubhouses worldwide, is hosting the Summit for young people whose lives have been changed through this innovative learning model.

### **About the Sorenson Multi-Cultural Center**

The Sorenson Multi-Cultural Center is a neighborhood community center operated under the Division of Public Services of Salt Lake City Corporation. The Center provides a safe environment with meaningful activities to enrich the lives of the residents of the Glendale community. Together with community partners and families, the Center provides alternative, safe activities for youth ages 6-18. The programs are designed to increase self-esteem, expand cognitive abilities and enhance creativity. In November 2000, the Center opened Utah's only Intel Computer Clubhouse. For more information, visit [www.slcgov.com/smcc](http://www.slcgov.com/smcc)

### **About the Museum of Science, Boston**

One of the world's largest science centers, the Museum of Science attracts 1.6 million visitors a year through its programs and over 550 interactive exhibits. Other features include the Thomson Theater of Electricity; Current Science & Technology Center; Charles Hayden Planetarium; Gilliland Observatory; and the Mugar Omni Theater. Its exhibit plan, *Science Is An Activity*, has been awarded several National Science Foundation grants and influenced exhibit development at other major science centers. The Computer Clubhouse program is one of many innovative programs at the Museum designed to engage a diverse audience in science and technology. For more information, visit [www.mos.org](http://www.mos.org).

### **About Intel® Innovation in Education**

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