



CULTURAL DIFFERENCE

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A 501(c)(3) Nonprofit Organization | EIN 45-4825672

MINOR MEDIA CONSENT, AUTHORIZATION, RELEASE & WAIVER

THIS DOCUMENT AFFECTS LEGAL RIGHTS. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING.

This Release is signed by the undersigned parent or legal guardian ("Parent/Guardian") on behalf of the minor child identified below ("Minor") for the benefit of Cultural Difference and the programs, projects, productions, podcasts, events, initiatives, campaigns, media properties, and affiliated brands that Cultural Difference currently operates or may operate in the future (collectively, "Cultural Difference").

1. MINOR PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Minor's Full Legal Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Age: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian: _____

Relationship to Minor: _____

Address: _____

City / State / ZIP: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

2. PARENT/GUARDIAN AUTHORITY AND CONSENT

I represent and warrant that I am the parent or legal guardian of the Minor identified above and have legal authority to provide the permissions in this Release. I voluntarily authorize the Minor to participate in activities, events, interviews, recordings, productions, podcasts, programs, campaigns, educational or community activities, fundraising activities, and other activities produced, sponsored, presented, organized, or authorized by Cultural Difference.

3. CULTURAL DIFFERENCE AS UMBRELLA ORGANIZATION

For purposes of this Release, Cultural Difference is the umbrella organization for the media activities covered by this document. This Release applies to Cultural Difference and its current and future programs, initiatives, productions, podcasts, digital channels, campaigns, events, series, publications, media properties, and affiliated brands operating under Cultural Difference.

A separate media release is not required solely because Cultural Difference creates, renames, expands, combines, or introduces a program, series, initiative, podcast, production, campaign, event, or media property, provided the use remains within the scope of this Release.

4. MEDIA AUTHORIZATION

I authorize Cultural Difference and its authorized directors, officers, employees, volunteers, contractors, photographers, videographers, producers, editors, representatives, agents, service providers, licensees, successors, and assigns to photograph, film, video record, audio record, interview, livestream, digitally record, or otherwise capture the Minor's name, image, likeness, photograph, appearance, voice, statements, interview, performance, biographical information voluntarily provided for publication, and participation (collectively, "Media").

I authorize Cultural Difference to use, reproduce, edit, adapt, publish, display, exhibit, distribute, transmit, broadcast, stream, publicly perform, promote, archive, and otherwise use the Media, in whole or in part, for purposes consistent with Cultural Difference's nonprofit mission, programs, fundraising, public education, community outreach, public relations, and promotion.

5. AUTHORIZED MEDIA AND PLATFORMS

- Websites, mobile applications, digital platforms, email communications, and online archives;
- Social media platforms and channels;
- Podcasts, video podcasts, livestreams, interviews, and recorded programs;
- Television, radio, streaming services, digital video, documentaries, and short-form content;

- Photographs, photo galleries, printed publications, newsletters, brochures, flyers, annual reports, and donor materials;
- Educational materials, presentations, events, public-service campaigns, community-awareness campaigns, fundraising materials, press distributions, and promotional materials;
- Any substantially similar media format or distribution technology now known or later developed.

6. PAST, CURRENT, AND FUTURE MEDIA

Previously Created Media. To the extent photographs, video, audio, interviews, recordings, or other Media of the Minor were created before this Release was signed in connection with Cultural Difference or one of its programs, the Parent/Guardian approves and ratifies Cultural Difference's continued possession and authorized use of that Media from the date of this Release forward, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law. This provision is not intended to retroactively waive any claim that applicable law does not permit to be waived.

Current Media. This Release applies to Media created or captured on or after the effective date during the Minor's participation in Cultural Difference activities.

Future Media. Unless revoked as provided below, this Release also applies to Media subsequently created through Cultural Difference and its current or future programs, projects, productions, initiatives, events, podcasts, series, campaigns, media properties, and affiliated brands.

7. EDITING AND CREATIVE USE

I authorize Cultural Difference to reasonably edit, crop, resize, caption, subtitle, format, adapt, combine, excerpt, or otherwise prepare the Media for authorized publication and distribution. Cultural Difference shall not intentionally use the Media in a manner that is knowingly false, defamatory, unlawful, or materially misleading concerning the Minor.

8. NAME AND IDENTIFICATION PREFERENCE

Please select ONE option:

- ☐ **FULL NAME AUTHORIZED** Cultural Difference may identify the Minor using the Minor's full name.
- ☐ **FIRST NAME ONLY** Cultural Difference may identify the Minor by first name only.
- ☐ **NO NAME** Cultural Difference may use the Minor's Media but may not publicly identify the Minor by name.

Unless separately authorized, Cultural Difference will not intentionally publish the Minor's home address, personal telephone number, personal email address, school schedule, or other sensitive private identifying information.

9. NO COMPENSATION

Unless otherwise provided in a separate written agreement signed by Cultural Difference and the Parent/Guardian, neither the Parent/Guardian nor the Minor is entitled to compensation, royalties, residuals, fees, ownership interests, or other payment arising from the authorized creation or use of the Media. Participation in Cultural Difference media activities does not, by itself, establish an employment relationship.

10. OWNERSHIP AND EDITORIAL CONTROL

To the extent permitted by law and subject to any separate written agreement, Media created by or specifically commissioned for Cultural Difference may be owned or controlled by Cultural Difference or the applicable rights holder. I acknowledge that Cultural Difference may exercise editorial discretion regarding authorized Media and that neither the Parent/Guardian nor the Minor has a right to inspect or approve finished materials before publication, provided the use remains within the scope of this Release.

11. INTERNET AND THIRD-PARTY DISTRIBUTION

I understand that Media published on the Internet, social media, streaming platforms, news media, or other public platforms may be viewed, copied, downloaded, shared, reposted, archived, indexed, or otherwise distributed by third parties. Cultural Difference cannot guarantee control over independent third-party actions after Media has been lawfully made publicly available.

12. RELEASE AND WAIVER OF MEDIA-RELATED CLAIMS

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, I, individually and on behalf of the Minor, release and discharge Cultural Difference and its directors, officers, employees, volunteers, authorized contractors, photographers, videographers, producers, representatives, agents, licensees, successors, and assigns from claims arising directly from an authorized use of the Media under this Release, including claims based on rights of publicity, invasion of privacy, or use of name, voice, photograph, or likeness.

This Release does not release any person or entity from liability that cannot legally be released or waived and does not authorize unlawful, defamatory, intentionally harmful, or materially misleading use of the Minor's Media.

13. REVOCATION OF FUTURE CONSENT

The Parent/Guardian may revoke this Release for future Media capture and future new uses by providing Cultural Difference with written notice. Revocation becomes effective after Cultural Difference receives the notice and has had a reasonable period to process it.

Revocation generally will not require Cultural Difference or third parties to recall, destroy, retract, or remove Media that was lawfully created, printed, published, posted, distributed, licensed, incorporated into a completed production, or otherwise used before the revocation became effective. Where reasonably practicable, Cultural Difference may discontinue future discretionary uses after effective revocation.

14. NO GUARANTEE OF PUBLICATION

Nothing in this Release requires Cultural Difference to publish, broadcast, distribute, or otherwise use any Media of the Minor. Cultural Difference retains discretion regarding whether, when, where, and how authorized Media is used.

15. SPECIAL PRODUCTIONS, EMPLOYMENT, AND SEPARATE AGREEMENTS

This Release is a general media authorization. It does not replace any separate talent agreement, employment agreement, participation agreement, safety waiver, medical authorization, compensation agreement, court approval, trust requirement, work permit, or other document that may be required by applicable law or by Cultural Difference for a particular production, engagement, or activity.

16. SEVERABILITY AND ENTIRE MEDIA RELEASE

If any provision of this Release is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, that provision shall be interpreted or limited to the minimum extent necessary, and the remaining provisions shall continue in effect to the fullest extent permitted by law. This Release constitutes the understanding between the Parent/Guardian and Cultural Difference regarding the media rights addressed herein, except to the extent modified by a later written agreement signed by the appropriate parties.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND INFORMED CONSENT

- _____ I have read this Release in its entirety.
- _____ I understand that Cultural Difference is the umbrella organization for the programs and media activities covered by this Release.
- _____ I understand that this Release addresses previously created Media from the date of signature forward and also covers current and future Media as described above.
- _____ I understand that Media may be distributed publicly, including through the Internet and social media.
- _____ I understand that neither I nor the Minor will receive compensation unless separately agreed to in writing.
- _____ I understand my ability to revoke authorization for future Media capture and future new uses as described in this Release.
- _____ I have had an opportunity to ask questions before signing.
- _____ I am signing voluntarily and have legal authority to provide this consent for the Minor.

PARENT / LEGAL GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

I certify that I have read and understand this Release and voluntarily agree to its terms.

Minor's Full Legal Name _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Printed Name _____

Relationship to Minor _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

MINOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Recommended when the Minor is of sufficient age and maturity to understand the nature of the media activity. I understand that Cultural Difference may photograph, film, or record me and may use those photographs and recordings as explained in this Release.

Minor's Printed Name _____

Minor's Signature _____

Date _____

CULTURAL DIFFERENCE REPRESENTATIVE

Representative Printed Name _____
Title _____
Signature _____
Date _____

FOR CULTURAL DIFFERENCE INTERNAL USE

Program / Production / Event: _____	Date(s) of Participation: _____
Release Received By: _____	Date Received: _____
Media/Program Notes: _____	Notes continued: _____
Revocation Notice Received (if any): _____	Effective Date: _____

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