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Doug Buchanan is COSI's Vice President of Membership, Marketing, and Guest Relations. He leads an incredible team of more than 80 dedicated full-time and part-time COSI Team Members who oversee COSI's complex operations in admissions, membership, call center management, and creative marketing to support COSI's mission to engage, inspire and transform lives and communities by being the best partner in science, technology, and industry learning. Doug joined the COSI Team in December 2006 in the role of Education Programs Marketing Manager, and has also served COSI in the roles of Director of Membership and Senior Director of Membership and Frontline Revenue.

Doug began his museum career in 1998 as director of the Stanly County Museum in North Carolina. He served as Ships Programs Coordinator for Independence Seaport Museum in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he created educational programming aboard the Spanish-American War cruiser USS OLYMPIA and WWII submarine USS BECUNA. He also served as Education Manager for the WWII battleship USS NEW JERSEY Museum and Memorial, where he formed an advisory council of education professionals that ultimately had the museum written into New Jersey's academic standards for history.

Doug is the author of one book, *Female Firsts in Their Fields: Air & Space*, and the editor of another, *Images of America: Stanly County*. He has served as Secretary, Vice President, and President of the Ohio Museums Association. Doug holds a bachelor's and master's degree in history from Ole Miss, and won the 1997 Glover Moore Prize for outstanding thesis work in Mississippi history.