

Nichole Johanson has been working with her family company at Mel Fisher's Treasure Museum since 2005, but you could say she has been a part of it since the day she was born. Although she was just a baby when her grandfather Mel Fisher made history by discovering a \$450 million dollar shipwreck, she is a passionate treasure enthusiast herself and strives to carry on the family legacy. As Director of Mel Fisher's Treasure Museum, Nichole has grown the small family business from a hidden gem into a well-known cultural treasure destination that is a must see in the historic riverfront business district of Sebastian. She has been involved with the tourism committee for over 15 years and received the Tourism Award in 2015. She is the very proud mother of one amazing young boy who is the light of her life. She is the Secretary of the PTA at Liberty Magnet School, a member of the School Advisory Council, and is on the scholarship committee for different charitable organizations of Indian River County. One cause that she is most passionate about is the Michael Abt Jr. Have a Heart Foundation which was founded in loving memory of her brother in 2006. It is a nonprofit 501c3 charity whose mission is to prevent Sudden Cardiac Arrest in kids by donating AED's (Automatic External Defibrillators), CPR training, and youth heart screenings to protect the kids in our local community.