Great Partnerships Drive Great Innovation

Dr. Temple Grandin, Ph.D *Renowned Inventor, Scientist, Author, and Advocate for People With Autism*

In her youth, Temple Grandin was considered "weird" and often faced teasing and bullying for being different. In fact, she didn't speak until she was three and a half years old. Luckily, her social and behavioral challenges were recognized early on as falling into the category of autism and with that diagnosis, new understanding and approaches to education. Throughout her school life, various mentors and educators pushed her and sparked a greater and greater love for learning. Dr. Grandin now holds a bachelor's degree in psychology and masters and doctoral degrees in animal behavior. Her first book, "Emergence: Labeled Autistic" is widely considered groundbreaking for its inside viewpoint of life with autism. Dr. Grandin has since written numerous books on "different thinking" and is one of the most highly sought-after speakers on the subject of autism and how seeing the world diffently can often lead to great things! She has been globally recognized for her work in animal behavior and has won countless awards and accolades. Her memoirs and early life were captured in an Emmy-winning film *Temple Grandin* starring Claire Danes.



Play & Park Structures partners with Dr. Grandin as well as many other researchers, educators and experts as we continue to develop playground equipment that serve the needs of ALL children.

GLIDE, SWING, and SPIN [ALL AT ONCE]







Collaboration Sparks...



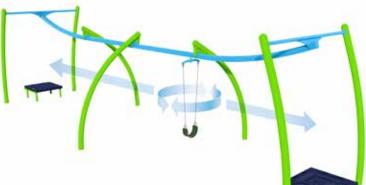


..Joy!

The Temple Trolley was inspired by childhood experiences of Dr. Temple Grandin – noted scientist, inventor, author and advocate for people with autism. "This is just like a piece of the equipment a teacher built for me when I was a child," said Grandin. "I enjoyed flying through the air, **spinning**, and riding it over and over again."

Why is Spinning So Important?

Through our partnership with Dr. Grandin, we learned that the sensation of spinning can often produce a calming affect for some children and adults with autism. Spinning is a sensory-rich movement that promotes balance, posture and spatial body awareness which are all essential to human development.



The Temple Trolley is available as a single or double-track and in Standard Length 39'3") or Extended Length (54'0").

