

Erin Amico

Erin Amico is the President & CEO of The Chicago Academy of Sciences and its Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum ("Nature Museum"). For 167 years, the Nature Museum has been connecting Chicagoans to nature and science. As a leader in the field of scientific research, education, and community programming, the Nature Museum's mission is to create a positive relationship between people and nature to grow the region's urban connection to the world of nature and science. Since joining the Nature Museum in 2022, Ms. Amico has stewarded a new strategic vision for the Museum, launched ground breaking new exhibitions, and increased attendance and contributed revenue for the institution.

Before joining the Nature Museum, Ms. Amico served as the Chief Marketing Officer at P33, a nonprofit driving inclusive growth for Chicago's tech sector. In that role, she was responsible for reaching over one million tech professionals across the nation through transformational digital efforts and exploring pathways to STEM education for Chicagoland. With almost two decades of experience, Ms. Amico has generated awareness and revenue for some of the world's most iconic brands. She is described as a "visionary leader" and has been featured on ABC, NBC, Crain's Chicago Business, Chicago Parent, the Sun-Times, Block Club Chicago, Waymaker Journal and other media outlets.

Ms. Amico is a recognized Chicago leader and currently serves on several boards and advisory committees. Her current board engagements include the Midwest Board of UNICEF, the French American Chamber of Commerce and the Board of Trustees of the Latin School of Chicago. Ms. Amico is a Leadership Greater Chicago, Daniel Burnham Fellow and serves as a mentor to mHUB's Climate and Energy Tech teams. She is also a Management Leadership for Tomorrow Fellow and served as a Forbes Contributor. In 2022, Ms. Amico was named Crain's Chicago Business 40 Under 40. Ms. Amico has earned Master of Business Administration degrees from both the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University in marketing and Cambridge University, Judge Business School in entrepreneurship. Outside of her professional and civic engagements, Erin enjoys traveling with her family and writing children's books.