

# Ellen Ochoa

- Born in California and selected as an astronaut in 1990
- She was the first Hispanic woman to go to space in 1993
- She has flown to space 4 times with nearly 1,000 hours of orbit
- She is now the 11<sup>th</sup> director of the Johnson Space Center
- She was the first Hispanic director and second female director
- She has received several awards, including NASA's highest

## award, the Distinguished Service Medal.



