Carnegie Science Center To Launch Programming In New Peoples Gas Bikes Plaza

"I Made It! Market" Artisans To Bring Their Talents To Science Center'S Latest Exhibit

Pittsburgh, June 7, 2013 – As part of the official opening day of Carnegie Science Center's BIKES: Science on Two Wheels exhibit, "I Made It! Market" will showcase some of the Pittsburgh area’s best artisans and their bicycle-themed creations on Saturday, June 15, from noon–5 pm.

BIKES delves into the history and science behind one of America's favorite modes of transportation through interactive exhibits, demonstrations, and bike-related activities of all kinds. Carnegie Science Center will have more than 60 bikes from various eras on display -- made possible through partnerships with The Bicycle Museum of America, Bicycle Heaven, and others -- to help visitors learn more about the evolution of the bicycle, along with hands-on activities and demonstrations about the science behind cycling.

On select Saturdays through October, Carnegie Science Center will present special programming on Bikes Plaza, sponsored by Peoples Gas. Bikes Plaza, located under a dramatic "spider tent" on the Science Center’s back lawn, will feature a variety of entertaining outdoor programming, including BMX shows and unicycle demonstrations.

"I Made It! Market" (IMI), which describes itself as a "nomadic indie crafts marketplace," has been active in the Pittsburgh area since 2007. The group has the self-described goal of offering local artisans a space not only to sell their wares, but the opportunity to create a community and presence through connections with local organizations and businesses.

Since its creation, IMI has brought over 300 unique vendors to Pittsburgh’s neighborhoods and partnered with many big names in the community, including SouthSide Works, the University of Pittsburgh, Bike Pgh and, of course, Carnegie Science Center. Visitors can expect to see bicycle-themed art and accessories available for purchase.

BIKES is free with general admission. Visit CarnegieScienceCenter.org for more details about upcoming events.

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About Carnegie Science Center
Carnegie Science Center is dedicated to inspiring learning and curiosity by connecting science and technology with everyday life. By making science both relevant and fun, the Science Center’s goal is to increase science literacy in the region and motivate young people to seek careers in science and technology. One of the four Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh, the Science Center is Pittsburgh’s premier science exploration destination, reaching more than 700,000 people annually through its hands-on exhibits, camps, classes and off-site education programs.

About Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh
Founded by Andrew Carnegie in 1895, Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh is a collection of four distinctive museums dedicated to exploration through art and science: Carnegie Museum of Art, Carnegie Museum of Natural History, Carnegie Science Center, and the Andy Warhol Museum. Annually, the museums reach more than 1.2 million people through exhibitions, educational programs, outreach activities and special events.

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