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CARNEGIE SCIENCE CENTER HOSTS NEW EVENT FOR SENSORY-SENSITIVE ADULTS

BEHIND THE SCIENCE NIGHT DESIGNED FOR ADULTS WITH SENSORY PROCESSING DISORDERS

PITTSBURGH, June 12, 2017 – Carnegie Science Center has developed a brand-new event aimed at adults with sensory sensitivity. The first 18+ Behind the Science Night will be held on Thursday, June 22 from 6-9 pm. The evening features four floors of exhibits and shows, adapted for those age 18 and older with sensory-processing disorders and their friends. Admission is just \$5 per person.

Guests can experience the Science Center's exhibits, BodyStage, Omnimax, and Buhl Planetarium shows, adapted with those with sensory issues in mind. Special "touch tables" will enable visitors to interact with the popular Miniature Railroad & Village, offering hands-on access to pieces of the railroad that are normally hands-off. Special demonstrations, such as liquid nitrogen smoothies, also will be available and visitors can expect to meet some live animals from the H2Oh! exhibit.

All activities will have adaptations, such as lower volumes and soothing light levels, designed with the needs of the sensory-sensitive in mind.

Sensory-Sensitive 18+ Behind the Science Night was created in partnership with Autism Connection of PA, The Pittsburgh Center for Autistic Advocacy, and Evolve Coaching with support by the Edith L. Trees Charitable Trust.

Tickets cost just \$5 per person. To register, please call 412.237.3400, then press 7 or visit <u>CarnegieScienceCenter.org</u>.

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

Established in 1895 by Andrew Carnegie, Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh is a collection of four distinctive museums: Carnegie Museum of Art, Carnegie Museum of Natural History, Carnegie Science Center, and The Andy Warhol Museum. In 2016, the museums reached more than 1.4 million people through exhibitions, educational programs, outreach activities, and special events.

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