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CARNEGIE SCIENCE CENTER OFFERS HOLIDAY EVENTS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

THE POLAR EXPRESS AND FROZEN WILL BE FEATURED IN THE NEW RANGOS GIANT CINEMA

PITTSBURGH, November 17, 2017 – Visit Carnegie Science Center over the holidays to enjoy activities perfect for families, groups, Scout troops, and date nights throughout the month of December.

Polar PJ Parties (Dec. 1, 3, and 10)

Fans of the holiday film *The Polar Express* are invited to come to the Science Center in their pajamas for a **Polar PJ Party.** Before seeing the film in the NEW Rangos Giant Cinema, guests will enjoy a hot chocolate bar with liquid nitrogen frozen marshmallows, private time in the Miniature Railroad and Village®, and the chance to take photos with a special guest. Special themed activities also will be offered and each participant receives a train ticket and sleigh bell to take home.

Polar PJ Parties will be held on the following dates:

Fri., Dec. 1: 6-9 pm (sensory-sensitive) (doors open at 5:30 pm)

Sun., Dec. 3: 9 am-Noon (sensory-sensitive) (doors open 8:30 am)

Sun., Dec. 3: 6-9 pm (doors open at 5:30 pm)

Sun., Dec. 10: 9 am-Noon (doors open 8:30 am)

Polar Express will be shown in 3D. The sensory-sensitive events will be shown in 2D.

Sensory-sensitive Polar PJ Parties have been developed specifically for people on the autism spectrum or who are affected by sensory processing disorders.

The cost is \$15 per person, and \$5 for children 2 and under. Advance registration is required. Visit CarnegieScienceCenter.org to register online, or call 412.237.3400, and press 7 to register by phone.

The Polar Express 3D (Dec. 1 -14)

See the modern holiday classic like you've never seen it before in 3D in the new Rangos Giant Cinema. Shows are scheduled daily from Dec. 1-14. Some showings will be available in 2D. Visit CarnegieScienceCenter.org/rangos-giant-cinema for show times.

• Holiday Magic Laser Show (Dec.1-31)

Experience the magic of the holiday season with a little science at this holiday laser show perfect for the whole family. Featuring traditional holiday tunes from across generations to contemporary artists performing their personal favorites, this matinee laser show is guaranteed to be a hit with all ages.

Visit CarnegieScienceCenter.org for show times and pricing.

Frozen Sing Along (Sat., Dec. 2)

Welcome the winter with a special sing along showing of Disney's *Frozen*. Guests will "Let it Go" as they belt out favorite songs from the film from seats in the brand-new Rangos Giant Cinema.

Doors for the event open an hour before the movie. Ticket holders are invited to join fellow *Frozen* fans in The Rangos lobby before the film for a hot chocolate bar, included in the admission price. Children are welcome to dress as their favorite characters from the movie and enjoy some fun photo opportunities before the show.

The concession stand, including the new popcorn topping bar, also will be open before the film for purchases.

The **Frozen Sing Along** will be held on Sat., Dec. 2 at the following times:

10:30 am (doors open at 9:30 am)

1:30 pm (doors open at 12:30 pm)

The cost is \$10 per person. Advance registration is required. Visit CarnegieScienceCenter.org to register online, or call 412.237.3400, and press 7 to register by phone.

• Polar Express Sleepover (Fri., Dec. 8)

Families can enjoy a special evening of festive fun and the modern holiday classic *The Polar Express* in 3D in the brand-new Rangos Giant Cinema! The sleepover includes a late-night snack, themed activities, the opportunity to attend a planetarium or laser show, and a live theater show. Check-in for the sleepover

begins at 6 pm and after spending the night in one of the museum's exhibit spaces, guests will enjoy a continental breakfast the following morning.

The cost for the sleepover is \$39 per person and includes admission to the museum the following day.

Groups must have a minimum of one adult chaperone per eight children. To register, call 412.237.1637.

• 21+ Ugly Sweater Party (Fri., Dec. 22)

Dig out your best worst holiday sweater and join in the fun at the **21+ Ugly Sweater Party** from 6-10 pm on Fri., Dec. 22. Enjoy an evening just for grownups with special themed activity tables and drone races. Make a storm trooper snowflake, a pool noodle light saber, or a batch of galaxy oobleck. Create the perfect present-topper with recycled film from the old Omnimax theater. Enjoy treats like Ugly Sweater Slushies frozen with liquid nitrogen, and a hot cocoa bar where visitors can top off their drink with marshmallow science.

Along with cash bars (beer, wine, alcohol, soft drinks) and snacks available for purchase, 21+ After Dark Night also features live music in the Robot Lounge and Laser Karaoke in the Buhl Planetarium.

Tickets prices are \$12 in advance and \$17 at the door. Visit CarnegieScienceCenter.org to register.

To learn more about these and other Carnegie Science Center programs, 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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