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EXPLORE AQUATIC WILDLIFE AND WATER CONSERVATION AT CARNEGIE SCIENCE CENTER'S H2Oh! RIVER WEEKEND

FEATURING WATER ACTIVITIES, LIVE DEMONSTRATIONS, AND SPECIAL GUESTS

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 5, 2019 — See some of the most interesting wildlife that live in rivers, dive into activities that demonstrate where water comes from, and discover the ways water is conserved at Carnegie Science Center's **H2Oh! River Weekend** on **Sat.—Sun., Aug. 17—18**, presented by ALCOSAN. Activities will run from **10 am—4 pm** each day and include an immersive experience of Pittsburgh's rivers through interactive activities, special guests, and live shows.

Free with general admission, the family-friendly weekend event features:

- Try your hand at creating a "flinker" that neither sinks nor floats
- Become a citizen scientist and collect data about the animals and plants that depend on our rivers
- Peer into the world of microscopic organisms with experts from ALCOSAN
- Meet some of the most interesting live local fish, reptiles, and amphibians that live in our rivers
- Discover how we can purify drinking water in areas where modern filtration is impossible
- Design a fish with the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (Saturday only)
- Add on to the adventure by purchasing <u>tickets</u> to *Backyard Wilderness* in The Rangos Giant Cinema

Plus, witness the combination of science and old-time fun with Kurt Steiner, a world-record holding stone skipper! On Sun., Aug. 18, learn how he hurtled a rock at the water and made it skip an astonishing 88 times and how fluid dynamics and physics played a major role.

For more information, visit CarnegieScienceCenter.org or call 412.237.3400.

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.

Accessibility: Features for All

Carnegie Science Center welcomes all visitors. We work to assist visitors with disabilities in obtaining reasonable and appropriate accommodations, and in supporting equal access to services, programs, and activities. We welcome visitors in wheelchairs on the deck of our USS Requin (SS 481) submarine. Below-deck visits require full mobility. Hearing assistance devices are available for The Rangos Giant Cinema. Please ask when you buy your ticket.

Please note that requests for accommodations should be made at least two weeks prior to your visit. For specific questions about wheelchairs, strollers, or other programmatic or equipment needs, see the ticket counter located on the first floor of the main building or contact Customer Service at 412.237.1641 or info@carnegiesciencecenter.org. Please contact Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh's Accessibility Coordinator with concerns regarding accessibility for visitors with disabilities at the museums. On weekdays, call 412.622.6578 or email accessibility@carnegiemuseums.org.

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 2018, the museums reached more than 1.4 million people through exhibitions, educational programs, outreach activities, and special events.

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