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## SCIENCE CENTER TO OFFER FREE ADMISSION ON DUQUESNE LIGHT COMPANY COMMUNITY DAY

VISITORS ENJOY FREE GENERAL ADMISSION ON SUN., MARCH 24

**PITTSBURGH, March 19, 2019** — Ready to shake off the winter blues? Spring into FREE family fun at Pittsburgh's most-visited museum. **Duquesne Light Company Community Day** at Carnegie Science Center happens on **Sun., March 24** and features free general admission for all visitors.

During this special day, visitors explore four floors of hands-on exhibits, plus Highmark SportsWorks®, a Miniature Railroad & Village®, the USS Requin (SS 481) Cold War-era submarine, and Buhl Planetarium. All these exhibits are free that day, powered by **Duquesne Light Company**. In demonstration theaters, visitors experience hair-raising, live explosive reactions, kitchen chemistry, and a crash course on the basics of biology. Tours of the galactic universe in Buhl Planetarium, a domed theater, are designed for every age group.

Highmark SportsWorks® offers sports-related interactive exhibits. Traverse a 25-foot climbing wall, challenge your speed with that of an Olympic sprinter, become a human yo-yo, defy gravity on a ropes course, play virtual sports using green-screen technology, and test your reaction speed against an ice hockey goalie, among other activities.

There are more than 200 hands-on exhibits in Carnegie Science Center that captivate and excite visitors of all ages. From water activities to robots, there is something for everyone to enjoy. Aspiring scientists age 6 and under will love The Little Learner Clubhouse, powered by PNC Grow Up Great®, a nature-inspired hub with a water table, tomato stand, button wall, and more.

Please note, planetarium programs, the Ropes Challenge, and theater shows are subject to availability. Parking, XPLOR Store, The Rangos Giant Cinema, Da Vinci The Exhibition, and the RiverView Café are not included with general admission.

For more information, visit <u>CarnegieScienceCenter.org</u> 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 <a href="mainto:info@carnegiesciencecenter.org">info@carnegiesciencecenter.org</a>. 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 <a href="mainto:accessibility@carnegiemuseums.org">accessibility@carnegiemuseums.org</a>.

## **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 2017, the museums reached more than 1.4 million people through exhibitions, educational programs, outreach activities, and special events.

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