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# CARNEGIE SCIENCE CENTER IS THE BEST PLACE IN PITTSBURGH TO EXPERIENCE THE SOLAR ECLIPSE

Visit the Science Center on April 8 – and view our online resources – to immerse yourself in this once-in-a-lifetime eclipse!

**PITTSBURGH, March 14, 2024** —Get ready for the ultimate cosmic carnival at Carnegie Science Center, Pittsburghers' go-to spot for all things solar eclipse.

Throughout the day on April 8, visitors are invited to immerse themselves in this extraordinary celestial event, the most complete solar eclipse in Pittsburgh until 2144, and enjoy a variety of family-friendly activities throughout the day.

#### **April 8 Schedule of Events**

Visitors will enjoy the ultimate cosmic carnival with space-themed live demonstrations, crafting stations for eclipse glasses holders, and eclipse programming in Buhl Planetarium.

The Science Center's back deck offers an optimal solar eclipse vantage point. In case of rain, visitors will have the opportunity to witness the magic through NASA's live-streamed footage of the eclipse in The Rangos Giant Cinema, Buhl Planetarium, and the Science Stage.

The Science Center is dedicated to educating everyone on how to best experience the eclipse with a newly updated Eclipse <u>webpage</u>, offering tutorials on crafting a secure eclipse projector, short videos from our astronomy experts, and insights into different types of eclipses.

Emphasizing eye safety, Pittsburghers are advised against staring at the Sun with the naked eye, given the city's location outside the Path of Totality.

All visitors who purchase a General Admission ticket on April 8 will receive a complimentary pair of eclipse glasses along with a 3D-printed pinhole projector.

For those unable to attend onsite on April 8, <u>certified eclipse glasses are available for purchase</u> from the Science Center's online XPLOR Store, with convenient online shopping and in-store pickup options.

The eclipse extravaganza at the Science Center kicks off at 10 am and concludes at 5 pm on Mon., April 8. Visitors are encouraged to spend the day learning about and experiencing the solar eclipse alongside on-site experts.

Buy General Admission tickets and plan your eclipse visit here.

#### **Media Requests**

The Science Center's team of eclipse experts is available for local media interviews. To schedule an interview or to RSVP for the April 8 event, please contact Sarah Reichle at ReichleS@CarnegieScienceCenter.org.

## **About Carnegie Science Center**

Carnegie Science Center, soon to be the Daniel G. and Carole L. Kamin 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 500,000 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 is a family of four dynamic, diverse museums—Carnegie Museum of Art, Carnegie Museum of Natural History, Daniel G. and Carole L. Kamin Science Center, and The Andy Warhol Museum. The four Carnegie Museums reach up to 1.5 million people a year through exhibitions, educational programming, outreach activities, and special events. To learn more, go to <a href="CarnegieMuseums.org">CarnegieMuseums.org</a>.