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**Last chance to see POMPEII: THE EXHIBITION**

International traveling exhibition at Carnegie Science Center closes in three weeks

**PITTSBURGH, April 4, 2022** - If you have been meaning to see POMPEII: THE EXHIBITION, there are only a few weeks remaining before April 24 when it moves off to another museum.

"We have seen almost unprecedented attendance over the last month and the reviews on social media are overwhelmingly positive," says Jason Brown, Henry Buhl, Jr., Director of Carnegie Science Center. "It is encouraging too, to see a whole new audience coming to experience POMPEII. A lot of adult couples are attending as well as families with children who are interested in science, art, history, and artifacts, like gladiator armor." Brown says that the Science Center is limiting capacity and the last three weeks of every traveling exhibition are always the busiest, so purchasing tickets online is highly recommended. The online purchasing fee has been eliminated, so it is just as inexpensive to buy tickets in advance.

POMPEII includes 180 real artifacts from 79 A.D. that tell a story of an ancient Roman city with an eclectic culture. Visitors discover items from a bustling seaport city, including tables, pots, vases, fishhooks and anchors, wine vessels, jewelry, and gladiator gear. Extremely detailed bronze and life-size marble statues, mosaics crafted with meticulous detail, and several videos to help complete the stories – like what they ate and drank back then – are many of the features. (Dormice were a delicacy – as was watered-down wine!) At the very end, a 4D reenactment of the catastrophic volcanic eruption of Mt. Vesuvius and finally, a room with casts of bodies that were frozen in motion are staggering and somber reminders of the catastrophe.

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**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**

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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](mailto: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](mailto:accessibility@carnegiemuseums.org).

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