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NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR 2022 CARNEGIE SCIENCE AWARDS

RECOGNIZING PITTSBURGH'S TOP SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY INNOVATORS

PITTSBURGH, March 8, 2022 – Carnegie Science Center is now accepting nominations for the 26th annual Carnegie Science Awards. The annual awards program honors the Pittsburgh region's most inspiring scientists, technologists, educators, business leaders, and innovators who are making a difference in western Pennsylvania and beyond. Nominations will be accepted through June 10, 2022, at <u>CarnegieScienceCenter.org/Awards</u>. By nominating you can help someone who you know and admire receive recognition for their trailblazing work.

"Carnegie Science Awards are highly regarded in this region's science, technology, education, and research communities and we are proud to recognize the remarkably talented individuals and organizations in our region's science community," said Jason Brown, Henry Buhl, Jr., Director of Carnegie Science Center. "With awards like Best Interdisciplinary Approach to STEM Education, Champion for Sustainability, Champion for STEM Equity and Inclusion, among others, we will recognize the inspiring innovators who are changemakers in our region."

The Science Center is seeking innovators in the following eight categories:

- Most Inspiring Educator
- Best Interdisciplinary Approach to STEM Education
- Exemplary Educational/Corporate Collaboration
- Champion for Sustainability
- Champion for STEM Equity and Inclusion
- Entrepreneur
- Innovation
- Corporate Leadership

Carnegie Science Award winners are selected by a committee of peers – both past awardees and industry leaders – who rigorously review hundreds of nominations and select the most deserving individuals and organizations. Since 1997, Carnegie Science Awards have recognized the accomplishments of more than 600 innovators whose contributions in the fields of science, technology, and education have enhanced our region's industrial, academic, and environmental vitality.

Awardees will be honored at the **Geek Out Gala** in October – a sleekgeek celebration celebrating Carnegie Science Award winners, featuring exciting science demonstrations and insight into the work the Science Center does to inspire the next generation of science and technology leaders.

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

Founded by Andrew Carnegie in 1895, <u>Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh</u> is a family of four dynamic, distinctive museums: Carnegie Museum of Art, Carnegie Museum of Natural History, Carnegie Science Center, and The Andy Warhol Museum. The museums reach 1.5 million people a year through exhibitions, educational programs, outreach activities, and special events.

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