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Celebrate the First Weekend of Summer with Carnegie Science Center

Experience a day of river science followed by an evening under the stars on June 22



High-resolution images available here.

PITTSBURGH, June 12, 2024 – Carnegie Science Center is set to energize the first weekend of summer with a double dose of adventure. On Sat., June 22, visitors can dive into the excitement of <u>Summer Splash</u> during the day and extend their fun into the night with <u>SkyWatch</u>. Both events will captivate and inspire guests of all ages, making for an unforgettable start to the summer season.

Summer Splash: Sat., June 22 (10 am-4 pm)

Kick off the first official days of summer and dive into the vibrancy of Pittsburgh's three rivers with a full day of exhilarating activities, games, live entertainment, and hands-on science demonstrations. Visitors will have the opportunity to:

- Build a snowman or craft a mini snowman yes, even in summer!
- Tour the historic USS Requin (SS 481) submarine
- Discover innovative green infrastructure in the Science Center's interactive rain garden

• Meet and learn about fish, amphibians, and reptiles native to local waterways

All activities are included with Science Center general admission, offering families the perfect way to start their summer with a blend of fun and education. The festive atmosphere will ensure that everyone finds something to enjoy, making it an ideal family outing.

SkyWatch: Sat., June 22 (9-11 pm)

As the Sun sets, the excitement continues with SkyWatch at the Science Center's Buhl Planetarium and Observatory. Visitors can gaze up at the June Bootid Meteor Shower and explore the night sky with a feature presentation and rooftop stargazing. Ideal for a romantic date night or a fun outing with friends, visitors will have the opportunity to enjoy:

- An immersive show under the dome at Buhl Planetarium
- Professional telescopes that will provide a closer look at the night sky
- Guided stargazing sessions with expert staff available to answer questions
- Views of celestial wonders including the June Bootid Meteor Shower, the brilliant star Arcturus, and the Great Globular Cluster in Hercules

The event will happen rain or shine. In case of inclement weather, activities will move indoors with an extended planetarium show. Tickets for SkyWatch are \$12 per person or \$10 for Carnegie Museums Members. Advanced registration is encouraged.

Summer Splash is presented by ALCOSAN and SkyWatch is presented by PPG.

For more information on both events and to purchase event tickets, please visit

CarnegieScienceCenter.org.

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.

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

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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. 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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