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**SCIENCE CENTER'S UGLY SWEATER PARTY – SOMETHING DIFFERENT FOR THE
HOLIDAYS**

NEXT NO-KIDS EVENT PROMISES FUN SCIENCE AND HORRIBLE HOLIDAY FASHION

PITTSBURGH, December 7, 2017 – Carnegie Science Center is encouraging guests to dig out their best worst holiday sweater and celebrate the season with science at the next 21+ Science After Dark **Ugly Sweater Party**. The event happens **Friday, Dec. 22** from **6-10 pm** and features special holiday festivities, a cash bar, professional drone races, and Science Center exhibits without any kids.

Along with snacks available for purchase, guests will be able to enjoy a hot cocoa bar, marshmallow science, and holiday punch frozen with liquid nitrogen.

Guests will have the chance to experience a brand-new activity at this 21+ event: Drone Races. Pittsburgh's premiere drone racing chapter, PITTROTORcross, will host a micro drone race inside the Science Center. Come and see the region's top pilots compete head-to-head and learn more about this exciting activity as they whiz thorough the Exploration Station installations on the building's 4th floor. Drone Addiction, LLC will be onsite to answer educational questions about drones and Pittsburgh Drone Masters will discuss commercial drone efforts in the region.

In celebration of *Star Wars: The Last Jedi* playing in The Rangos Giant Cinema, the force will be strong with partygoers as they enjoy Star Wars-themed activities including making Storm Trooper snowflakes and galaxy oobleck. For those who wish to see the season's biggest movie, a separate ticket can be purchased to watch the film, showing in 3D in The Rangos.

Those who would like to add some more flare to a holiday ensemble should stop by the Ugly Sweater creation station to decorate their outfit before participating in an Ugly Sweater fashion show. Guests also can take a little sparkle into the Buhl Planetarium for Laser Karaoke. The Science Center's podcast *Science News and Qs* will be hosting a trivia game show and Steel City Improv will also perform a live show.

A limited number of spaces are also available in a special Fab Lab Carnegie Science Center Laser Cut Holiday Ornament workshop. Registration is required and the workshop is an additional fee.

Proper identification is required, and all guests must show ID at the door. Tickets cost \$12 in advance, and \$17 at the door. The Fab Lab ornament workshop is an additional \$10 per person.

21+ Nights are sponsored by UPGRUV, Miller Lite, Full Pint, and Dos Equis.

For more information and to register, visit CarnegieScienceCenter.org.

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.

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 2016, the museums reached more than 1.4 million people through exhibitions, educational programs, outreach activities, and special events.

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