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*****MEDIA ADVISORY*****

CELEBRATE GLOBAL ASTRONOMY MONTH AT SKYWATCH

ENJOY PLANETARIUM PROGRAMS AND CHAT WITH EXPERTS AT CARNEGIE SCIENCE CENTER

WHAT:

April is Global Astronomy Month! What better place to celebrate than at Carnegie Science Center's Buhl Planetarium and Observatory? Round up your stargazing squad and head to the North Shore on Saturday for SkyWatch, presented by PPG. The evening kicks off with a virtual tour of the night sky in the planetarium. Afterward, enjoy additional planetarium programs, and if the skies are clear, head up to our observatory. Gaze at the sky through various telescopes, such as our 16-inch Meade LX200 Schmidt-Cassegrain telescope, and chat with our team of expert stargazers.

At April's SkyWatch, the zodiac constellations of Gemini and Leo will likely be in view, as well as Sirius, the brightest star in the night-time sky.

The SkyWatch program is offered at 8 and 10 pm. Tickets are \$4 for non-members, and \$2 for members and as an add-on to general admission.

WHEN:

8 pm and 10 pm Sat., April 7

WHERE:

Carnegie Science Center
One Allegheny Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15212

WHO:

Carnegie Science Center's Buhl Planetarium and Observatory staff will give guests a virtual tour of the night sky. If weather and skies permit, guests will be invited up to the observatory to check out the sky using various telescopes.

VISUALS:

In addition to serving as Pittsburgh's destination for stargazing and amateur astronomy, the observatory offers a breathtaking view of downtown Pittsburgh.

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

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 2017, the museums reached more than 1.4 million people through exhibitions, educational programs, outreach activities, and special events.

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