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**CARNEGIE SCIENCE CENTER TO REOPEN; MUMMIES OF THE WORLD: THE EXHIBITION EXTENDED**



**PITTSBURGH, June 22, 2020** — Carnegie Science Center, Pittsburgh’s family destination for science and technology fun, will reopen its doors to the **public on Mon., June 29**, with special **Members-only days Fri.–Sun., June 26–28**. Mummies of the World: The Exhibition, is extended due to popular demand. Timed ticketing is strongly encouraged for both general admission and Mummies of the World. In addition, Carnegie Science Center Summer Camps is accepting a limited number of registrants.

Museum visits on Sun., June 28 from 10 am–noon will be reserved for Members of Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh who identify themselves as at risk or immunocompromised. [This video](#) outlines what visitors can expect when they come to the Science Center. For more information or to purchase timed tickets, visit [CarnegieScienceCenter.org](http://CarnegieScienceCenter.org).

**Here’s what you need to know before you go:**

Reopening Plan and Guidelines

WHAT WE ARE DOING

- Limiting the number of visitors in the building to no more than 25% of capacity and controlling traffic flow
- Regularly disinfecting common touchpoints
- Providing additional hand sanitizing stations at convenient locations throughout the museum
- Providing masks for all employees to wear
- Conducting symptom screenings before employees start their shifts; employees exhibiting symptoms of illness will be sent home
- Ensuring a sufficient number of employees to perform all safety measures
- Ensuring a sufficient number of employees to control access and monitor social distancing
- Instituting timed ticketing and encouraging advance ticket purchases (eliminating online service charges for a limited time)
- Closing the Ropes Challenge, SkyTykes Ropes Course, and Rock Wall in Highmark SportsWorks® and some interactive exhibits in Little Learner Clubhouse because they cannot be sanitized in a timely manner

## **WHAT WE ASK OF OUR VISITORS**

- Face masks that cover the nose and mouth are required. Please do not place masks on children under age 2 and those with medical conditions that counter the State mandate. If you have a medical condition that prevents you from wearing a face mask, please alert our Admissions team when you redeem your timed ticket.
- Please maintain at least six feet between your group members and others.
- Please use hand sanitizer before and after you interact with exhibits.
- Please stay to the right on the ramps and stairs and only use elevators if necessary.
- Purchase tickets online, in advance of your visit. We are eliminating online service charges temporarily.
- If you must purchase at the ticket counter, please use a credit card or touchless payment.
- Limit elevator use. If you need the elevator, limit one family or social group per ride.

*These protocols are recommended by the PA Department of Health and the US Centers for Disease Control.*

## Hours of Operation and Timed Tickets

The Science Center will open 10 am–noon on Sundays for vulnerable/at-risk populations. The building capacity will be limited even further during these hours. The museum will open for regular hours of operation noon–5 pm on Sundays. Visitor hours Monday–Saturday remain 10 am–5 pm. Timed tickets are on sale now at [CarnegieScienceCenter.org](https://www.carnegiesciencecenter.org).

All tickets will be sold for timed entry every 30 minutes, and ticket holders may enter the Science Center at any time following their prescribed entry time.

## Mummies of the World: The Exhibition

The most frequently asked question on social media during the Science Center's closure? WHAT ABOUT THE MUMMIES?

Back by popular demand, *Mummies of the World: The Exhibition* is extended! Explore 125 real mummies and related artifacts from across the globe! This blockbuster exhibition provides a window into the lives of ancient people from every region of the world including Europe, South America, and Ancient Egypt, offering unprecedented insights into past cultures and civilizations.

*Mummies of the World: The Exhibition* is displayed in Carnegie Science Center's PPG SCIENCE PAVILION™. It is presented by Agora Cyber Charter School and sponsored by Baierl Subaru.

## The Rangos Giant Cinema

Pittsburgh's largest screen will welcome back moviegoers with the "the biggest dam movie anyone ever saw." [\*Beavers: The Director's Cut\*](#) offers an up-close look at a family of beavers as they grow, play, and transform the world around them.

All shows will be 2D, to avoid the use of 3D glasses. Seating is limited to 75 people per show. Pricing for Rangos shows will be reduced to \$6 for Carnegie Museums Members/\$7 for nonmembers from its current level of \$7.95 Members/\$9.95 nonmembers.

Regarding other theaters within the Science Center, visitors will still have the chance to enjoy shows in the BodyStage, Works Theater, and Buhl Planetarium, with limited seating capacity. Seats and armrests will be cleaned and sanitized between each show in The Rangos and other theaters.

Special screenings and educational films at The Rangos Giant Cinema are presented by Green Mountain Energy.

### **USS Requin (SS 481)**

Pittsburgh's favorite submarine will open its hatch again, too. USS Requin (SS 481) self-guided tours will operate every 20 minutes with a maximum of 15 people, and are offered on a first-come, first-served basis. To tour the submarine, please meet one of our submarine staff members at the Requin Gateway on the Ground Level in the RiverSide Lobby and they will take you aboard or give you a time to return.

After each group tour enters the submarine, a team member will follow with disinfecting wipes or spray to clean frequently touched surfaces such as handrails and handles on hatch openings.

Each evening after closing, two UV lights in each compartment will activate via a timer for 30 minutes. Also, three UV air purifiers will operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week in the innermost compartments.

USS Requin visits are free to members and visitors who have purchased general admission tickets.

### **Summer Camps**

The Science Center's mission of fostering a love of science and technology is more imperative now than ever before, as the importance of science to the health and welfare of the community is amplified. In accordance

with regulations from national, state, and local officials, and meeting and exceeding the guidelines provided by the PA Department of Health, in-session Summer Camps will resume on Mon., July 6 at a limited capacity. We've evaluated each summer camp to determine if the curriculum allows for ample social distancing and minimal supply sharing while ensuring that campers have fun, memorable, and meaningful learning experiences.

The capacity of the camps that are currently scheduled to take place this season has been greatly reduced to ensure safe social distancing; therefore, there are a limited number of spaces available. Every precaution is in place to ensure the health and safety of each camper and staff member including: drop off and pick up will be spread out to various locations; all summer campers and staff must wear face masks over their nose and mouth; room set-up and planned activities will allow at least six feet for social distancing; handwashing and hand sanitizing stations will be readily available – campers will receive proper hygiene encouragement; surfaces will be sanitized as needed during instruction; and other enhanced cleaning procedures will be implemented. Additional safety precautions are outlined at [CarnegieScienceCenter.org](https://www.carnegiesciencecenter.org).

For questions regarding a Summer Camp reservation, send your request via email to [CustomerService@CarnegieScienceCenter.org](mailto:CustomerService@CarnegieScienceCenter.org).

Summer Camps are presented by Isaly's, LLC.

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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**

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](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).

**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 2019, the museums reached more than 1.4 million people through exhibitions, educational programs, outreach activities, and special events.

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