

MSU Science Festival Features DETROIT DAY

Free events at three locations on Sunday, April 19

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EAST LANSING, Mich. – The Michigan State University Science Festival returns for a third year on April 15-19, with an action-packed agenda that includes a first-ever **Detroit Day on Sunday, April 19**.

While the festival is held primarily on MSU's East Lansing campus, organizers this year designated Detroit Day to expand opportunities for learners of all ages.

"The enthusiasm we are seeing about the MSU Science Festival confirms that people want to learn more about science and the role it plays in all our lives," said Renee Leone, MSU Science Festival co-founder and coordinator.



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The visible and popular presence of the MSU Detroit Center on Woodward Avenue has increased awareness of Michigan State University's commitment to the state's largest city, and generated enthusiasm among alumni, potential students, community leaders, and government, industry, and non-profit sectors. Leone and Jena Baker-Calloway, director of the MSU Detroit Center, worked to make Detroit Day a reality.

"We are so excited to bring the MSU Science Festival to Detroit. The collaboration with the Detroit scientific and educational community has been inspiring. It gives everyone—adults, children, families—another reason to come out and experience the wonder of science, and the best that Detroit has to offer," said Baker-Calloway.

The MSU Science Festival debuted in 2013, offering an opportunity for all ages to discover the wonder of science. Last year more than 20,000 visitors participated in the MSU Science Festival, doubling attendance from the inaugural event.

Detroit Day is hosted by Michigan State University, and made possible by the generous support and collaborative efforts of University Outreach and Engagement, MSU Detroit Center, Charles Wright Museum of African American History, The Scarab Club, Michigan Science Center, and Ford Motor Company.

Detroit Day Fast Facts:

Sunday, April 19

1-6 p.m.

All scheduled events are free and open to the public.*

Locations:

Charles Wright Museum of African American History
315 East Warren Avenue

The Scarab Club
217 Farnsworth Street

Michigan Science Center* (admission free with festival flyer)
5020 John R Street

Sessions:

Inspiring Minds: African Americans in Science and Technology
What's in YOUR Water? Unraveling the Great Blue Mystery
Create a Critter
Do It Yourself Science: Research Opportunities in Magnetic Resonance
WDIV's Andrew Humphrey's Wonderful World of Weather and Science
Genomics: Why Are We the Way We Are?
Straw Bridges
Research on Belle Isle
Unsung Scientists: African American Contributors to Science
Salt: The Science and History of Detroit Salt
Discover the Fascinating Geology of Michigan
Where Words Fail...How Music Speaks
Recycle-tastic in Detroit
Vehicle Technology
Reginald Punnett, Chicken Investigator
Science at the Michigan Science Center

Program booklets with a complete five-day schedule, event descriptions, and campus map are available at the Office of University Outreach and Engagement on East Lansing's campus, (517) 353-8977, as well as various locations around campus and mid-Michigan, and the MSU Detroit Center, (313) 578-9700.

More information, including the full schedule, is available online at sciencefestival.msu.edu.

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