

Houston Science Festival - Science Week: Community Event One-Page Host Guide

Saturday, September 27, 2025 - Saturday, October 4, 2025

Overview:

Houston Science Festival – Science Week is an 8-day, city-wide celebration of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) featuring hands-on community events. Businesses, community organizations, educational institutions, and industry leaders are invited to host activities that inspire curiosity and increase access to STEM experiences—especially for communities with limited resources. Sign up now!

Why Host:

- Foster STEM Learning: Deliver engaging activities that build knowledge and interest in STEM careers.
- Boost Community Visibility: Showcase your organization's innovations to a broader audience.
- Inspire Future Leaders: Spark curiosity and help attendees envision futures in STEM.
- Join our Movement: Become part of our growing network of STEM advocates.

Your Role as Host:

Hosts plan, staff, and manage all aspects of their event, aligning activities with their organization's mission. Events can include outdoor science activities, "The Science Behind..." explorations, art/science collaborations, and family-friendly experiments.

Key Guidelines:

- Events must focus on STEM and align with your mission.
- Use the festival's marketing Host Toolkit and hashtag #HoustonScienceFestival.
- Make events public and accessible; free or low-cost is encouraged.
- Avoid commercial or unrelated fundraising events.

Festival Support:

- Marketing: Online promotion plus a marketing Host Toolkit for your outreach.
- Expert Connections: Access to STEM professionals and volunteers.
- **Consultation**: Guidance on event planning and feedback.
- Online Registration Platform: Provided for free events if needed.

How to Participate:

- 1. Propose your event idea via the "Sign Up!" link below by Monday, August 25, 2025.
- 2. Confirm details and sign the host agreement.
- 3. Promote your event using the provided Host Toolkit.

Other Ways to Get Involved:

- Volunteer at events or assist with logistics.
- Provide STEM experts to support other hosts.

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Join us in fostering a love for science and inspiring the next generation of STEM leaders! Learn <u>more</u> and watch this 1-minute Host Guide Overview video! Sign up now!