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## WonderWorks Branson Celebrates National STEM Day with Fun Science Demonstrations

BRANSON, Mo. – (October 28, 2024) – Both local and visiting families in the Branson area are invited to spend National STEM Day at WonderWorks Branson on Friday, November 8, 2024. There will be plenty of educational fun throughout the upside-down building, including live STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) themed experiments and demonstrations all day. Guests will get a chance to be upclose and personal with topics such as pressure, insulation, chemical reactions, and more. The team will also be unveiling a new special marine biology-themed experiment that aspiring scientists will not want to miss.

"A big part of the WonderWorks mission is making learning fun and inspiring a love of all things STEM in all of our guests, so we're excited to do just that on National STEM Day!" said Tim Church, education sales manager at WonderWorks Branson. "Don't miss out on all the interactive experiments we have planned."

National STEM Day is held annually on November 8, giving people across the United States a chance to put these critical fields in the spotlight. Engaging in STEM-themed activities is a goal of many schools and educational groups, and WonderWorks provides the ideal place for doing just that. Visiting WonderWorks during National STEM Day will give guests of all ages fun and interactive learning opportunities, including experiments, demonstrations and the chance to engage with over 100 hands-on exhibits.

National STEM Day at WonderWorks will also feature the unveiling of an updated version of their popular Word Up exhibit. The updates, done in partnership with Merriam-Webster Dictionary, will include a new interactive word scramble, details on how words are formed, and a list of words recently added to the dictionary. Everyone is sure to leave with a few new words added to their vocabulary.

"This special event is a favorite with guests every year. Our team members are getting their lab coats ready and gearing up to teach our guests something new!" said Brenda Dent, general manager at WonderWorks Branson.

WonderWorks keeps the fun learning environment going all year. There are numerous other educational offers available, including:

• <u>Student art contest</u> - Local students can submit their work to be entered in to the annual OZART contest for a chance to have their work displayed in the attraction's Wonder Art Gallery. This year's theme is "The Nature of STEM," and the deadline to enter is December 13, 2024.

- <u>Field trips</u> K-12 students can explore a unique educational setting, getting hands-on learning opportunities while creating lasting memories with their classmates. There are discounted admission tickets for advanced group reservations, and a scavenger hunt can be requested to enhance the learning experience.
- <u>Student achievement awards</u> Teachers can begin nominating their students for WonderWorks' annual WonderKids program on November 8, 2024. This program aims to spotlight local students who go above and beyond in and outside of the classroom. The winners will be invited to attend an exclusive Zoom presentation with a special guest speaker.

The over 100 interactive exhibits at WonderWorks Branson have been designed to give guests a way to learn more about STEM/STEAM topics in a fun and memorable way. On top of this, they also offer various <u>educational activities and events</u> throughout the year. The upside-down house is the perfect spot for team-building activities, field trips, corporate events, group outings, family reunions, and more. There are numerous event packages and group rates available with advanced reservations. WonderWorks Branson offers over 48,000 square feet of family-friendly, engaging activities. The park is open from 10 am to 9 pm daily this fall. To get more information or purchase tickets, visit the site: <a href="https://www.wonderworksonline.com/branson">https://www.wonderworksonline.com/branson</a>.

## **About WonderWorks**

WonderWorks, the upside-down adventure, is a science-focused indoor amusement park for the mind that holds something unique and exciting for visitors of all ages. There are three floors of nonstop "edu-tainment," with over 100 hands-on and interactive exhibits that serve the educational purpose of challenging the mind and sparking the imagination. WonderWorks has locations in Orlando, Pigeon Forge, Myrtle Beach, Panama City Beach, Syracuse, and Branson. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.wonderworksonline.com/branson">https://www.wonderworksonline.com/branson</a> and follow @WonderWorksBranson on <a href="mailto:Facebook">Facebook</a>, @WonderWorksBR on <a href="mailto:Twitter">Twitter</a>, and @WonderWorks\_br on <a href="mailto:Instagram">Instagram</a>.

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