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July event line-up makes for a sensational summer at Toledo's Science Center

TOLEDO, Ohio – – Summer is the perfect season for free play and science exploration! Whether its launching water rockets, exploring the science of human performance, testing trivia knowledge or tinkering to create cars and catapults, Imagination Station is the place to be for the young (and young at heart) this July!

Upcoming special events:

Fourth in the 419 Viewing Party at H₂O Cafe

Thursday, July 4, 6pm

Get a front-row seat to Toledo's Independence Day celebration! Oooh and aaahh over the fireworks display on the waterfront and enjoy food and drink specials at Imagination Station's H₂O Cafe.

Ticket required.

Summer of Speed: Maximum Airspeed

Saturday – Sunday, July 6 - 7

Summer of Speed continues with a celebration of flight! Learn how thrust, draft and weight affect an airplane's ability to fly as they race hoop gliders and overcome gravity to send rockets soaring. Visitors can meet representatives of the 180th Fighter Wing of the Ohio Air National Guard, and discuss careers in commercial aviation as they make paper airplanes with a pilot. Plus, they can enter to win tickets to the Toledo Air Show!

Summer of Speed: Dave's Running

Saturday, July 13, 1pm

Competitive runners are always striving to meet personal performance goals. Learn how athletes can run faster and easier and remain injury-free with Dave's Running. Their coaches will share techniques that will help make runners more efficient and healthier at a Good Form Running Clinic. *Presentation included in science center admission.*

Trivia Night at H₂O Cafe

Sunday, July 14

This night is for those know the name of the headmaster at Hogwarts when the Chamber of Secrets was opened for the first time and the name of the Hufflepuff house ghost. It's *Harry Potter* trivia night at H₂O Cafe!

\$5 After 5pm

Thursday, July 18, 5 – 8pm

The science center is open late on the third Thursday each month to allow science lovers to squeeze some fun into their busy schedules at a special admission price. From 5 – 8pm, visitors can experience hundreds of hands-on exhibits for just \$5.

Art Loop: Interactive

Thursday, July 18, 5 – 8pm

Imagination Station is also a stop on the Art Loop! Our super-amazing bubble solution makes the biggest, best and longest-lasting bubbles. Pop in for a great time!

Science center admission is not required to participate in Art Loop activities.



Painting on the Patio at H₂O Cafe

Thursday, July 18, 6pm

Enjoy an evening of artistic expression along the banks of the Maumee River! Join local artist, Kati Kleimola and create a floral arrangement, then use it for inspiration for a one-of-a-kind painting.

Registration required.

Name that Tune with Dave and Melissa at H₂O Cafe

Saturday, July 20, 6pm

Music lovers are invited for an evening on the riverfront as they put all those hours listening to LPs, 8-tracks, cassettes, CDs and streaming music services to the test! Enjoy food and drink specials at the only waterfront bar in downtown Toledo.

One Giant Leap: 50th Anniversary of the Lunar Landing

Saturday – Sunday, July 20 – 21

On July 20, 1969, Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin became the first humans to set foot on the moon. Join Imagination Station to celebrate the bravery and curiosity of these early space pioneers and inspire new dreams of space travel. Future astronauts will learn how specialized tiles protect spacecraft, experiment with gravity and can build their own rocket to take part in the Water Rocket Challenge.

All activities included in science center admission.

July programming at the science center includes:

Tinkering Space: Catapults and Trebuchets

All month

Visitors will explore the field of mechanical engineering as they construct a catapult or trebuchet designed to launch a ball across the room. They will hypothesize how far it will go, measure the results and head back to the lab to tinker and test again!

Think Tank Workshops: Paper Roller Coasters

Saturdays at 2pm

Since the first self-powered vehicle's debut in 1769, engineers have worked to improve the design and function of the automobile. Workshop participants will learn about potential and kinetic energy as they design, construct and test plans for a car prototype in this engineering design challenge.

Registration required.

Super Summer Scientists

Wednesdays, 10:15 – 11:15am

Children ages 3 - 6 will explore the various ways scientist take measurements, look for patterns and shapes in nature, become mini-engineers and experiment with light and color in these pre-kindergarten workshops. *Registration required.*

Mini Explorers Club: Bubbles

July 9 or 23, 2 – 3:30pm

Children ages 3 – 5 and their grown-ups will investigate the properties of bubbles, make a bubble wand and collaborate with others to determine the best technique for blowing bubbles in this free program.



Registration is still open for July Summer Camps, *presented by Jerl Machine and sponsored by BP.*

July 1 – 5

Super Splatter Magnified

Campers ages 6 – 13 will have fun doing some of our most-requested mess makers and out Extreme Scientists' favorite experiments during this science-stacked, massively messy and exceptionally exciting camp. *Registration required.*

July 8 – 12 and July 15 - 19

Super Splatter Science

Kids ages 6 – 8 will spew lava from a volcano, run through pools of oobleck, tie-dye t-shirts, shoot elephant's toothpaste to the ceiling and make a fantastic, sticky, slimy and gooey mess all in the name of science! *Registration required.*

July 8 – 12 and July 15 - 19

Cardboard Creators

Campers ages 9 – 13 will work together as they push their engineering skills to the limit. It's go big or go home at this camp, and young engineers will use real tools to design and build giant arcade games and other mammoth structures out of cardboard. *Registration required.*

Imagination Station provides a critical layer of science enrichment by serving as an educational partner for teachers, schools and parents. It's with a thoughtful blend of exhibits, experiences, education and excitement that Imagination Station inspires visitors to pursue STEM careers in Northwest Ohio.

All Lucas County residents receive a \$2 discount and FREE Saturday admission for kids, 12 and under, with paid adult admission. For more information, please call 419.244.2674 or visit www.imaginationstationtoledo.org.

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