

MEDIA ALERT

EXPLORE 14 ACRES OF HANDS-ON SCIENCE FUN AT MSI—FOR FREE! <u>ILLINOIS RESIDENTS GET IN FREE ON SELECT</u> <u>DATES IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY</u>

WHAT: Stay warm with cool science at the Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago this winter. MSI is offering FREE Museum Entry to Illinois residents on select dates each week in January and February, starting January 10, 2017.

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See more than 25 trains make the journey from Chicago to Seattle in the *Great Train Story*. Shake off cabin fever with a run inside a human-sized hamster wheel. Climb aboard a massive tractor and follow the fascinating journey of food and how it travels from the farm to your table. Peek inside the whimsical Colleen Moore's Fairy Castle, complete with a pair of Cinderella's tiny glass slippers. Experiment with light to create a giant 30-foot rainbow.

On January 16, Martin Luther King Jr. Day and a free day for Illinois residents, MSI will launch its annual Black Creativity program with a special Family Day. Explore the grand opening of the Juried Art Exhibition, which features more than 100 works of art from African-American artists, created by both students and professionals from Chicago and throughout the U.S. The Juried Art Exhibition is the longest-running exhibition of African-American art, with works being displayed at MSI annually since 1970. Also on Family Day, take part in a collaborative printmaking project that will be displayed at MSI. The Juried Art Exhibition and collaborative printmaking project are included with Museum Entry. For more details on all these programs, visit msichicago.org/blackcreativity.

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- WHERE: Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago; 5700 S. Lake Shore Dr.
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PLEASE NOTE:

- Must be an Illinois resident, with proof of address, to receive free Museum Entry. Tickets must be ordered on-site.
- Omnimax[®] films, U-505 Submarine on-board tour, Future Energy Chicago, Coal Mine, Brick by Brick and special tours are not included in Museum Entry. They require additional, timed-entry tickets.