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**MSI TRANSPORTS GUESTS TO THE UNTOUCHED ISLANDS OF THE PACIFIC OCEAN
INSIDE CHICAGO'S ONLY FIVE-STORY DOMED THEATER**

Chicago (June 11, 2018)— Explore the remote national wildlife refuge islands and marine national monuments including the Palmyra, Midway and Rose Atoll with *Hidden Pacific*, now showing inside the Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago (MSI)'s Giant Dome Theater, the only five-story theater in Chicago. Learn the storied histories of these islands while watching this film on a state-of-the-art laser projection system and leave with a deep-felt appreciation for the beauty of nature untouched by civilization.

Hidden Pacific director and conservationist Ian Shive seeks to educate the public about the critical role that these marine monuments play in the face of environmental threats such as climate change, global warming, rising sea levels, ocean acidification, overfishing, and plastics pollution. Distributed by Giant Screen Films and D3D Cinema, and produced by Tandem Stills + Motion, in cooperation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and affiliated organizations, which provided the filmmakers with unprecedented access to the bio-secure zones of the marine monuments.

Hidden Pacific is presented daily at 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m., 2:30 p.m., and 4 p.m. on extended days through February 27, 2020. The Giant Dome Theater is not included in Museum Entry and requires an additional timed-entry ticket. Tickets for films are available in Explorer ticket packages.

Add to your journey around earth visiting MSI exhibits, *Earth Revealed* and Extreme Ice. Inside *Earth Revealed*, you will step into space to see our planet's awe-inspiring beauty in 360-degree motion with Earth's ocean currents, climate data, weather formations and even air traffic patterns imagery in nearly real-time. The *Extreme Ice* exhibit displays James Balog's thought-provoking photos and time-lapse videos that capture a multi-year period of the dramatic extent of melting glaciers around the world. These images provide an emotionally visual representation of the immediacy of climate change and can encourage and educate guests on how they can make a difference in their daily lives.

The Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago (MSI), is one of the largest science museums in the world, offers world-class and uniquely interactive experiences that inspire inventive genius and foster curiosity. From groundbreaking and award-winning exhibits that can't be found anywhere else, to hands-on opportunities that make *you* the scientist—a visit to MSI is where fun and learning mix. Through its Welcome to Science Initiative, the Museum offers a variety of student, teacher and family programs that make a difference in communities and contribute to MSI's larger vision: to inspire and motivate children to achieve their full potential in science, technology, medicine and engineering. Come visit and find your inspiration! MSI is open 9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. every day except Thanksgiving and Christmas Day. Extended hours, until 5:30 p.m., are offered during peak periods. The Museum is grateful for the support of its donors and guests, who make its work possible. MSI is also supported in part by the people of Chicago through the Chicago Park District. For more information, visit msichicago.org or call (773) 684-1414.