



MEDIA ALERT

MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY EXTENDS CLOSURE TO HELP PREVENT SPREAD OF COVID-19

MSI offers resources to encourage families to discover science at home

WHAT: **CHICAGO (March 27, 2020)**—The Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago (MSI) announced today that it will extend its closure and reopen on Friday, May 1 in an effort to help contain the spread of COVID-19. The Museum continues to evaluate the situation, taking into account guidance from the Chicago Department of Public Health and the CDC.

During this time, MSI is encouraging families to discover science at home with [activities, experiments, games, and videos](#). These engaging science activities are appropriate for children of all ages and use items already found around the house. Launch a stomp rocket, build a newspaper fort, make slime and more as you explore physics, chemistry, engineering and beyond. These activities can be found at msichicago.org/scienceathome.

The Museum has developed an operational plan which will allow MSI to reopen safely and responsibly while creating provisions to support hourly and salaried staff during the closure, including continuation of health benefits.

Along with the temporary closure, all public programs and events through April 30 are postponed or cancelled. Private events are also cancelled. Guests who have purchased tickets to the Museum through April 30 will be refunded.

WEBSITE: We encourage media and the public to visit msichicago.org/covid19 for the most up-to-date information.

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