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**MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY PARTNERS WITH SOCIALWORKS TO HOST
SECOND ANNUAL “A NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM” HOLIDAY EVENT**

Guests encouraged to bring donations to help fellow Chicagoans experiencing homelessness

CHICAGO, Ill. (November 15, 2018)—The Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago (MSI) is proud to partner with Chance the Rapper and his charity, SocialWorks, to host their second annual *A Night at the Museum* on Thursday, December 20.

The event will consist of an evening filled with family friendly fun and holiday cheer, inspiring thoughtfulness and unity in all those who attend. Guests are strongly encouraged to bring donations for the organization’s Warmest Winter initiative that focuses on providing direct support to people experiencing homelessness in Chicago.

“Our initiative, Warmest Winter, aims to raise awareness and provide relief for Chicagoans experiencing homelessness through service, experience and of course, donations”, says SocialWorks’ Director of Communications, Essence Smith. “At last year’s *A Night at the Museum*, over 10,000 warming items were donated which later affected 15 shelters throughout the city of Chicago. We’re looking to surpass that amount in donations this year and we’re so thrilled to be partnering with the Museum of Science and Industry to bring *A Night at the Museum* to another level.”

“MSI has been committed to helping our children realize their full potential for 85 years so we are thrilled to partner with SocialWorks who is equally as committed to empowering the next generation,” said Amy Patti, communications director, Museum of Science and Industry. “By working together, we can provide access to the tools and resources and set a strong foundation for Chicago’s bright future.”

During the event, which runs from 6-10 p.m., guests will have access to all 14 acres of MSI’s interactive exhibits and, for one night only, experience unique opportunities including:

- More than 50 trees and displays in *Christmas Around the World* and *Holidays of Light* which celebrate the rich diversity of Chicago.
- Live musical performances
- 50+ holiday activations, including decorating gingerbread houses, making holiday cards and more
- Free giveaways and fun surprises around every corner
- Interactive exhibits, including the *U-505 Submarine*, a 40-foot tornado in *Science Storms*, nature patterns in *Numbers in Nature: A Mirror Maze*, and more

SocialWorks will be accepting an array of donations including coats, hats, blankets, gloves, socks, hygiene products, board games and electronics. Thus far, SocialWorks has raised more than \$117,000 for their Warmest Winter Initiative and they don’t plan on stopping anytime soon.

To learn more information about A Night at the Museum and SocialWorks' Warmest Winter Initiative, follow @socialworks_chi and visit their website, www.socialworkschi.org.

A Night at the Museum tickets are on sale now for only \$10 at <https://anatom2018.eventbrite.com>.

About SocialWorks

SocialWorks aims to empower youth through the arts, education, and civic engagement while fostering leadership, accessibility, and positivity. Our initiatives, OpenMike, Warmest Winter, Kids of the Kingdom, the New Chance: Arts & Literature Fund, and My State of Mind, were created to advocate for youth and the fulfillment of their success in all forms. SocialWorks looks to continue to bring impact through innovation and collaboration.

About MSI

The Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago (MSI), 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 9:30–4 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.

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