LASM to Host a Scary Good Time Before All Hallows’ Eve

BATON ROUGE - On the last Saturday before All Hallows’ Eve, A Halloween Day at the Museum is rising again at the Louisiana Art & Science Museum! One of the Museum’s most popular events, this day of ghastly planetarium shows and hair-raising hands-on activities will take place on Saturday, October 26 from 10 AM to 5 PM. This event is included in general admission and is free to LASM members.

“A Halloween Day at the Museum is one of our favorite events of the year,” said Sheree Westerhaus, LASM’s Director of Operations & Planetarium. “Not only does it allow us to share some of our more unique activities and original planetarium shows with our visitors, but the enthusiasm we’ve seen from our community for this event is very inspiring; our staff has just as much fun as our visitors!”

The day’s lineup of planetarium shows begins at 10 AM and includes Magic Treehouse: Space Mission, Mummies: Secrets of the Pharaohs, Cosmic Colors: An Adventure Along The Spectrum, the Fright Light Laser Light Show, and special showings of two LASM originals: The Worlds Within Star Wars and The Astronomical World of Harry Potter. Due to high demand, special “Platform 100 ¾” tickets will be required to enter the showings of The Astronomical World of Harry Potter, which will be shown at 1 PM, 3 PM, and 5 PM. These tickets will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis at no extra charge at LASM’s Visitor Services Desk.

“The Worlds Within Star Wars and The Astronomical World of Harry Potter are inspired by fiction, but they are also influenced by the science and mythology of the real world,” said Jay Lamm, LASM’s Planetarium Producer & Technical Manager. “The shows are all about analyzing these universes and showing the kids and adults who love them the wonder that is to be found in our own reality and inspire them to make discoveries of their own.”

From 12 PM to 3 PM in the Bert S. Turner Family Atrium, ghouls and goblins of all ages will enjoy butterbeer and jelly beans, make their own Howlers from the Harry Potter universe, construct straw-powered rocket ships, explore the physics of craters, and craft monster-inspired bookmarks for their favorite Halloween reads. Returning this year is LASM’s popular wand making activity, where witches and wizards may craft their own magical tool to aid in the interactive portion of the day’s planetarium shows. Also, before each showing of The Astronomical World of Harry Potter, one lucky visitor in costume will be entered to win a marvelous door prize!

A complete schedule of planetarium shows and more information can be found at lasm.org.
Image: Visitors to the Louisiana Art & Science Museum are encouraged to dress in their Halloween best for a Halloween Day at the Museum! Before each showing of The Astronomical World of Harry Potter, one lucky visitor in costume will be entered to win a marvelous door prize!

About the Louisiana Art & Science Museum
A nonprofit organization housed on the banks of the Mississippi River in downtown Baton Rouge, the Louisiana Art & Science Museum enhances the understanding and appreciation of art and science for general audiences and students by presenting unique, educational and entertaining experiences that encourage discovery, inspire creativity, and foster the pursuit of knowledge. More information about the Art & Science Museum is available at lasm.org.

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