



Saskatchewan Science Centre Celebrating 30 Years of Science Learning and Family Fun

April 23, 2019 – (Regina, SK) – The Saskatchewan Science Centre opened its doors to the public for the first time on April 23, 1989. To celebrate 30 years of science, fun, and learning in Saskatchewan, the Science Centre hosted an anniversary celebration looking back on the past 30 years with a look forward to the next 30.

Activities during the celebration included throwback General Admission pricing to 1989 levels – only \$6 per person – as well as the performance of visitor favorite scientific demonstrations from the past three decades, and a peek at the future with a new vision and strategic plan for the Saskatchewan Science Centre. As part of the promotions for the IMAX film *Superpower Dogs*, Bright Eyes Dog Rescue was on hand to introduce movie goers to the superpowers that all dogs have, including the canines that they have available for adoption.

“The creation of a participatory Saskatchewan Science Centre was first proposed as a project by the Junior Service League of Regina in 1978,” explained Science Centre CEO Sandy Baumgartner. “Today, we celebrate the things we have always done well while planning for the future.”

Future plans announced today include the development of new and engaging exhibits, including the renewal of exhibit spaces such as *Richardson Ag-grow-land*, *Wild Saskatchewan*, and *Building Connections* – which Ms. Baumgartner called Signature Experiences – as well as new activities for families such as the maker space and workshops designed for whole families to participate in.

Also announced was a revitalization of the *Labour Day Play Day* taking place on the Labour Day long weekend in September and a 1980s themed dance party in the fall, with a specific date still to be announced.

Lastly, an announcement was made regarding the future of the Kramer IMAX Theatre, revealing plans to showcase the existing IMAX 15/70mm film projectors by showing Christopher Nolan feature length films in that format over the summer, as well as discussions that are underway to consider the addition of digital projection to the facility to enable the theatre to bring more diverse content to viewers as well as create a hub for virtual learning experiences.

“As we have done over the past 30 years, we will continue to change, grow, and adapt our science learning opportunities in Saskatchewan. Increasing science literacy amongst every resident of the province is as important today as it was 30 years ago, if not more. In closing,” said Baumgartner, “we would like to thank the many individuals, businesses, partners, and the community for making the past 30 years a tremendous success for the Saskatchewan Science Centre.

About the Saskatchewan Science Centre

The Saskatchewan Science Centre is a non-profit, non-governmental educational facility with the mission of igniting scientific curiosity and innovation in Saskatchewan communities through interactive, dynamic and engaging opportunities. Our vision of the future, in fulfilling that mission, is inspired minds through science and innovation. The Science Centre is one of Saskatchewan's largest family tourist attractions with more than 6 million visitors since its opening in 1989. www.sasksciencecentre.com

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