

Saskatchewan Science Centre Releases the Bats!

(May 5, 2016) – Regina, SK -- Join the Saskatchewan Science Centre on Thursday, May 12th as we release the bats who have been overwintering with us out into the wilds of Wascana Park.

Our doors will open at 7:15pm, followed by talks from Dr. Mark Brigham (professor of biology and researcher from the University of Regina who oversees our bat rescue program), his grad student, Shelby, who has been doing active research on our bats, and our own bat caregiver, Sheila. Then, at about 9:15pm, we'll go outside to a designated area of the park to release the bats.

The talk and release is free for the public and all ages are welcome.

The Saskatchewan Science Centre gratefully acknowledges the support of NSERC and the Canadian Association of Science Centres for the support of this event, and are pleased to present our Bat Release as part of Science Odyssey.

To Learn More About The Event Please Contact:

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About The Saskatchewan Science Centre

Celebrating 25 years of inspiring scientific curiosity and innovation in Saskatchewan. 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 close to 4 million visitors since its opening in 1989.

About The Bat Rescue Mission

The Bat Rescue Mission is run in partnership with the University of Regina. If a bat is found out of hibernation in the winter, you can call us at 791-7900. We contact the U of R and they pick up the bat and give emergency first aid. When they are sure the bat is healthy, the bat is brought to the Science Centre to stay with us until spring when they can be safely released.

About Science Odyssey

Science Odyssey is ten days of discovery and innovation from Friday, May 6, to Sunday, May 15, 2016. It brings together hundreds of events all across Canada where you can experience the country's richness of science, technology, engineering and mathematics.