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Come One, Come All to The Carnival & Science Spectacular
at the Staten Island Children’s Museum!
Saturday, June 2nd, 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm (rain date Sunday, June 3)

May 15, 2018—The Staten Island Children’s Museum will celebrate spring, science and supporters during its annual fundraiser: The Carnival & Science Spectacular!

In addition to the classic rides, popcorn and cotton candy, this old fashioned-family Carnival will be infused with STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) interactive exhibits, all designed to keep education at the forefront of the day.

Visitors of all ages can learn how STEAM works in our daily lives through fun activities such as creating paper pots and planting seeds to take home; building mini-weather vanes; creating a collage using color mixing; and making cool catapults!

**When:** Saturday, June 2 from 1:00 to 5:00 pm (rain date: Sunday, June 3)

**Where:** Staten Island Children’s Museum, East Meadow, on the grounds of Snug Harbor Cultural Center & Botanical Gardens, 1000 Richmond Terrace on Staten Island

**Cost:** Tickets are $13 until May 31 and will be $16 at the gate. They can be purchased at the Children’s Museum or from sichildrensmuseum.org. Members and the general public must purchase tickets to enter the Carnival and Museum for this special fundraising day. Tickets are non-refundable.

New demonstrations and entertainment this year include the live “Fire & Ice” show by Mad Science®, as well as table activities from Eye Level Learning Center and Tegu blocks. This year’s Carnival will also feature a new rock climbing wall for young adventurers!

Classic rides such as the Dixie Swing and Turbo Tubs are returning along with clowns Watson & Christine; the robotics teams from St. Clare School, Xaverian High School and St. Joseph by-the-Sea; and the Green Tech Club’s solar racer car. The NY Insect Zoo and the MakerSpace Mobile STEM Wagon will be in attendance as well. More demonstrators are signing up daily, so visit sichildrensmuseum.org for up-to-the-minute information!
“The word is out! The Carnival & Science Spectacular is the place where children and families can enjoy a day of rides and games, but also see the fun side of STEAM, with activities focusing on solar energy, robotics and composting,” said Gina Laine, 1st Vice President, Marketing Director at Richmond County Savings Bank and Carnival Committee co-chair.

“We are proud to sponsor the Carnival & Science Spectacular again this year,” said Katia Gordon, Director of Staten Island Regional and Community Affairs at Con Edison. “This special event is an extension of our continued support of STEM programs in the communities we serve and advances our goal of creating programs that inspire children to imagine, invent, and engineer.”

This event is made possible thanks to Title Sponsor Con Edison, and these generous sponsors: Empire State Bank, Eye Level Learning Center, Ferry Ads, Alecia Giovinazzo, M.D., Investors Bank, Northfield Bank, NRG Energy, Richmond County Savings Bank and The Staten Island Advance.

Funds raised for the Carnival & Science Spectacular support the Children’s Museum school, camp and public programs. Please visit sichildrensmuseum.org to learn more.

The Staten Island Children’s Museum is located on the grounds of Snug Harbor Cultural Center & Botanical Gardens, 1000 Richmond Terrace, Staten Island, NY 10301. The Museum is open Tuesday through Friday, 11:00 am to 5:00 pm during the school year; 10:00 am to 5:00 pm weekends, summers and most public school holidays. For more information, call 718-273-2060, email info@sichildrensmuseum.org, or visit our website, www.sichildrensmuseum.org.

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