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**Staten Island Children's Museum Announces Con Edison *Second Saturday Science!*
Winter & Spring Weekend Workshop Schedule**

Animal hibernations, water pressurizations, local wildlife explorations and invasive plant examinations are all part of first 2019 lineup

January 8, 2019 - The Staten Island Children's Museum will let young scientists explore animal winter habitats, the science of water pressure, and local wildlife and plant species during the [Con Edison *Second Saturday Science!*](#) weekend workshops in winter and early spring 2019.

The monthly one-hour Children's Museum drop-in activity focuses on scientific exploration to engage children's minds and imaginations. The workshops are often aligned with the particular month's programming theme and are interactive, giving kids the chance to experiment, build and create. All sessions are from Noon – 1:00 pm and are free with admission.

Here are the upcoming Con Edison *Second Saturday Science!* workshops for the start of 2019:

- **January 12 – Happy Hibernations!** It's all about animals in January at the Children's Museum. In this workshop, visitors will explore how certain animals survive in winter months and get to meet some special critters from the [Staten Island Zoo](#).
- **February 9 – Soak Up Some Science!** Young scientists will get to experiment with water pressure using Super Soakers and learn about the life and work of Soaker inventor Lonnie Johnson as the Children's Museum celebrates Black History Month. Guests will then get to fill up some Soakers with paint to make abstract pieces of art.
- **March 9 – Staten Island Wildlife:** Visitors will meet the women biologists from [Snug Harbor Cultural Center & Botanical Garden](#) and participate in a variety of demonstrations related to their fieldwork. It's part of the Women's History Month programming at the Children's Museum.

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- **April 13 – Invasive Species Paper Making:** The Children’s Museum is embracing planet Earth during April programs. For this month’s workshop, [Freshkills Park](#) will show visitors how to create paper using Phragmites, an invasive plant that has taken over parkland on Staten Island.

Con Edison, a longtime community partner, generously sponsors *Second Saturday Science!* as well as many of the Children’s Museum’s STEAM-themed “pop-up” programs. Con Edison also supports the Children’s Museum “Science Time” Program, held every day in the Museum’s exhibits. During this program, kids get an interactive lesson in a variety of topics, including climates, animals and their habitats, energy, and architecture.

“We are proud to provide continued support for these programs at the Staten Island Children’s Museum,” said Katia Gordon, Con Edison’s Director of Staten Island and Regional Community Affairs. “By introducing children to STEAM activities in an engaging way, they can learn early on about the topics and skills for a number of career paths in engineering, technology or science.”

Visit sichildrensmuseum.org for more information on these programs and events.

The Staten Island Children’s Museum is located on the grounds of Snug Harbor Cultural Center & Botanical Garden, 1000 Richmond Terrace, Staten Island, NY 10301. The Museum’s hours for September – June are Tuesday– Friday from 11:00 am – 5:00 pm and Saturday and Sunday from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm. For more information, call 718-273-2060, email info@sichildrensmuseum.org or visit sichildrensmuseum.org.

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