

NASA Informal Education Institutions and Grantees Reverse Site Visit 2012
Co-hosted by Jet Propulsion Laboratory and Stennis Space Center
Infinity Science Center, Second Floor Meeting Rooms
Stennis Space Center, Mississippi 39529
FINAL

Outcomes

In support of the upcoming government-wide STEM education strategic plan - to strategically focus Federal STEM efforts to have a more significant impact in areas of national priority, this gathering promotes collaboration and partnerships among NASA Education and Communication projects, and promotes professional competency through:

- Raising awareness of resources, roles, and expertise within the community
- Building grantees' and Technical Officers' knowledge of guidelines and requirements for managing mature NASA Informal Education projects
- Broadening community knowledge of best-practices and resources for museum-related informal education projects and developing a plan for sharing with wider Museum Alliance community
- Identifying specific opportunities for future collaboration
- Developing individual implementation ideas for use of NASA networks and resources, including the community-produced materials and active membership in the Museum Alliance

Monday June 4, 2012

3:00 – 4:15 pm

OPTIONAL Tour of Stennis Space Center

- Departs and Returns from South Gate Reception Center at Stennis Space Center
- Special Arrangement by Stennis Space Center Public Affairs
- Pre-signup REQUIRED; Bring government-issued photo ID

6:30 – 9:00 pm

OPTIONAL Networking Session

Registration/Check-In and Packet Pick-up

View Planetarium Show Clips

(Main Meeting Room, Holiday Inn Slidell)

- Reverse Site Visit check-in and packet pick-up
Come by and avoid the lines Wednesday morning!
- Join us to enjoy planetarium shows in progress or completed by four CP4SMP grantees:
 - The Children's Museum, West Hartford, CT: *From the Blue Planet to the Red Planet*
 - The Children's Museum of Indianapolis, IN: *CSI: Flight Adventures*
 - The Journey Museum, Rapid City, SD: *Cradle of Life, Loony Moons*
 - Louisiana Arts & Science Museum, Baton Rouge, LA: *We Choose Space!*
 - Morehead Planetarium, U. of North Carolina at Chapel Hill: *Solar System Odyssey*

Notes:

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- 7:30 – 8:15 am** **Check-In, Poster Setup, Networking, and Refreshments**
- Check-In (Second Floor Registration Desk, Infinity Science Center)
 - Poster Setup (Rooms A, B, D)
- 8:15 – 10:00 am** **Welcome, Introductions, and NASA Overview (Room D)**
(Dial-in available)
- Welcome – *Leslie Lowes and Anita Sohus, Organizers (NASA/JPL) /5 min*
 - Welcome to Stennis Space Center, NSSC, and Infinity Science Center
Welcoming Statements by Panel/30 min:
Kenneth Human/Associate Director of Stennis Space Center
Becky Dubuisson, Deputy Director of NASA Shared Services Center
Katie Wallace, Stennis Space Center Education Director
 - Navigating Infinity Science Center /10 min
Amy Dickinson, NASA/JPL Education Office
 - Outcomes and Introductions of Participants /40 min
Maura Rountree-Brown /Meeting Facilitator
 - NASA Organizational Overview /15 min – *Nora Normandy, NASA Office of Communications*
- 10:00 – 10:15 am** **Break**
- 10:15 – 11:15 am** **STEM Education and Accountability Panel (Room D)**
(Dial-in available)
- (Informal) STEM Education Policy at NASA and Beyond
Mary Sladek NASA Informal Education Outcome Manager
 - CP4SMP Reporting and Evaluation Requirements – *Leslie Lowes*
 - Non-Discrimination Compliance Reviews: An Overview
Bob Cosgrove, NASA Office of Diversity and Equal Opportunity
- 11:15 – 11:45 am** **NASA Museum Alliance and You. (Room D)**
(Dial-in available)
- NASA Museum Alliance and You /30 min – *Anita Sohus, NASA Museum Alliance Manager*
- 11:45 – 12:45 pm** **Lunch Break & (if needed) Poster Setup**
- 12:45 – 1:00 pm** **Group Photo**
Outside Entrance to Infinity

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Tuesday June 5, 2012 (cont.)

- 1:00 – 3:00 pm** **Poster Session 1 – Overview of CP4SMP Projects (Room D)**
- Overview of the Afternoon – *Maura Rountree-Brown, Facilitator*
 - Presentation of posters – *all (Rooms A,B,D)*
Posters staffed by presenters in rotation:
 - Space science projects and facilities
 - Earth science projects and facilities; also special guests
 - Human exploration projects and facilities
 - Aeronautics and All-NASA projects and facilities;
- 3:00 – 3:15 pm** **Break/Change Room**
- 3:15 – 4:45 pm** **Break-Out Session 1**
- Audits and Compliance Reviews (Room D)
 - Avoiding Waste, Fraud, and Abuse
Marcia Fox, NASA Office of Inspector General/Investigations
 - Cameron Chabreck, NASA Office of Inspector General/Investigations*
 - Non-Discrimination Compliance Reviews
Bob Cosgrove, NASA Office of Diversity and Equal Opportunity
 - Effective Practices in Evaluation (Room B)
 - Moderated by Kalie Sacco, Program Manager,*
Center for Advancement of Informal Science Education (CAISE)
 - Outcomes:
 - Participants' questions are answered or taken as action items
 - Best practices and lessons learned are shared
 - Compilation of best practices is produced
 - What would you share with a novice grantee?
 - What would you share with our experienced community?
- 5:00 – 7:00 pm** **OPTIONAL View Venus Transit of the Sun – Ingress**
(last chance for 105 years!)
Outdoors: Infinity Science Center – West side of building
Webcast Viewing: Holiday Inn Slidell Main Meeting Room

Dinner On Own

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Wednesday June 6, 2012

- 7:30 – 8:00 am** **Arrival and Networking**
- 8:00 – 8:10 am** **Overview of the Day** – *Maura Rountree-Brown, Facilitator* (Room D)
(Dial-in available)
- 8:10 – 8:40 am** **Group Report-Outs from Breakout Session 1** (Room D)
(Dial-in available)
- 8:40 – 9:45 am** **Managing Your Grant** (Room D)
(Dial-in available)
Ben Benvenuti, Lead Contract Specialist for Grants,
NASA Shared Services Center
- 9:45 – 10:00 am** **Break/Change Room**
- 10:00 – 11:30 am** **Break-Out Session 2**
- Technical Officer Training by NSSC (REQUIRED for Civil Servants)
Roles, Responsibilities, and Interactions (Room B)
Theresa Stanley, Education Grant Officer,
NASA Shared Services Center
 - Effective Practices in Reaching Underserved Audiences (Room D)
Moderated by:
Tracy Tomme, CEO Challenger Learning Center of Colorado
Maria Isabel González Leeder, Senior Science Specialist,
Miami Science Museum
- Outcomes:
Participants' questions are answered or taken as action items
Best practices and lessons learned are shared
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- 11:30 – 1:00 pm** **Lunch Break**

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1:30 – 2:45 pm

Round-Table with Technical Officer (Room D)

- Overview of the Session – *Maura Rountree-Brown, Facilitator*
An *NSSC Grant Officer* also be available for questions in each room
- Group A *TOs from GRC, GSFC, HQ*
Thanksgiving Point Institute
The Children's Museum
ExplorationWorks
Maryland Science Center
American Museum of Natural History
Miami Museum of Science
Montshire Museum of Science
The Children's Museum of Indianapolis
Dayton Society of Natural History
Detroit Sci Ctr
- Group B *TOs from LaRC*
Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum
Friends of the NC Museum of Natural Sciences
Morehead Planetarium - UNC
- Group C *TOs from JSC*
Louisiana Art & Science Museum
Museum Alliance of Rapid City, Inc.
National Mining Hall of Fame and Museum
Science Museum of Minnesota (Journey to Space)
- Group D #1 *TO from ARC, MSFC*
Oregon Museum of Science and Industry
Alaska Challenger Center for Space Science Technology Inc
Hiller Aviation Institute
Pacific Science Center
Seattle Aquarium Society
Colorado Consortium for Earth and Space Science Education
Iowa Children's Museum
Museum of Science and Industry
- Group D #2 *TO from KSC*
Denver Museum of Nature and Science
Rochester Museum & Science Center
- Group D #3 *TOs from DFRC*
Adler Planetarium
Challenger Learning Center of the San Joaquin Valley
MOSI
Science Museum of Minnesota (Climate Change Education)

2:45 – 3:00 pm

Break/Change Rooms

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- 3:00 – 3:15 pm** **Group Report-Outs from Breakout Session 2 (Room D)**
(Dial-in available)
- 3:15 – 3:45 pm** **Implementation/Action Plan (Room D)**
CP4SMP PI Teams and Visitor Centers address the following issues.
These responses will be compiled into a post-visit report.
Intended results of this gathering:
 With what institution or entity could you develop a potential collaboration?
 What would the nature of that potential collaboration include?
 What NASA personnel, resources and materials did you learn about that
 you expect to use in your current project?
 How will you share the knowledge gained in your NASA work?
 What expertise would you like to share with the Museum Alliance
 membership?
- 3:45 – 4:15 pm** **Wrap-Up and Evaluation (Room D)**
(Dial-in available)
Concluding Remarks – *Maura Rountree-Brown, Facilitator /5 min*
Post-conference evaluation – *Leslie Lowes*
Please use your laptop, notebook computer, iPad or iPhone to complete survey
(Hard copies available for those without electronic connection)
- 4:15 pm** **Adjourn/Poster Tear-Down**

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Notes: Reverse site visit website <http://informal.jpl.nasa.gov/meetings>
All times/speakers subject to change.