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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
SPEND THE SUMMER AT CHABOT WITH NEW EXPERIENCES FOR ALL AGES
TO EXPLORE, CELEBRATE AND ENJOY.

GET OUTSIDE THIS SUMMER WITH A SERIES OF HIKES EXPLORING THE REDWOOD FOREST OF CHABOT. CELEBRATE THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE APOLLO 11 MOON LANDING WITH A MONTH OF MOON-THEMED ACTIVITIES. ENJOY BLOWING, POPPING AND PLAYING WITH BUBBLES AT BUBBLEFEST.

Oakland, CA, April 23, 2019— Chabot is at the top of everyone's summer bucket list, with activities for everyone from toddlers to adults!

The redwood forests surrounding the Center are calling! With hikes and camping experiences throughout the summer, Chabot is taking families and adults on unique adventures under the stars. Families come together for camping trips on Memorial Day Weekend, Father's Day and more. Popular adults-only hike-and-sip programs are unique opportunities to learn more about the beautiful forest.

July is Moon Month at Chabot! In honor of the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing, Chabot will host moon-themed events, including Lunar First Friday, a full moon hike, an Apollo anniversary celebration and an adults-only moon party. Celebrate and learn more about this feat of space exploration all month long!

After the success of Tinkerfest this April, Bubblefest comes to Chabot Aug. 17 for an entire day of hands-on bubble fun! This festival highlights the whimsical science of bubbles and offers face painting, live music and so much hands-on bubble fun! This festival highlights the whimsical science of bubbles and offers face painting, live music and so much more!

Check out all of these events and more below or visit www.chabotspace.org.

FIRST FRIDAY: STAR WARS PARTY

May 3, 6-10 p.m.

\$5

May the Fourth be with you! Well... almost! Join us for our 2nd annual Star Wars Party and show off your best at our Star Wars fashion show and dance party! Catch special appearances from some of your favorite characters from the saga and stay for a screening of "Star Wars: The Last Jedi".

LOST IN SPACE MISSIONS, 21+

May 10, 7 p.m. & 8:30 p.m.

\$40

This simulated space mission is strictly for adults only! Bring your friends, grab a beer, rock a flight suit, and experience the thrill of a NASA mission to Mars! Can you make it to the red planet and save your crew from calamity? Wine, beer, and light snacks will be provided.

LECTURES & LASERS, 21+

May 17, 6-10 p.m.

\$15

(Doors open at 6pm)

7pm- Lisa Rosenberg, author of A Different Physics

8:15pm- Hypnotica Laser Show

9:15pm- LaseRetro

Get lit with lasers! Want to impress your friends with your expansive knowledge of science and culture? Looking for a new date night activity? Just want to kick back and watch a laser show?

Every month we'll be joined by scientists, experts, writers, and entertainers to delve into a new topic from rocket launches to cannabis to pop astrology and everything in between. Grab a beer and head into our Planetarium for a unique talk followed by not one, but TWO laser light shows. Bring your friends, bring your lovers and more! Laser shows featuring music from Led Zeppelin, Pink Floyd, The Beatles, and more will rotate each month. Beer, wine, soft drinks, and snacks will be available for purchase.

SLUMBER WITH THE STARS

Family Sleepover

May 26, 6 p.m. – 9 a.m.

\$85 general, \$75 members

Families with children only, ages 4+

Start the Memorial Day holiday weekend early with an out-of-this-world camping experience for the entire family. Your sleepover includes hands-on activities, exclusive after-hours time in the exhibits, planetarium shows and telescope viewing amidst the backdrop of the redwood forest. Enjoy hot chocolate while gazing at the stars and listening to stories about the constellations told by an expert astronomer then camp out under the starry skies or one of our exclusive indoor astronomical exhibitions.

Dinner and breakfast are included with dairy free and vegetarian options. All minors must be accompanied by a ticketed adult at a ratio of 5:1.

If you want to experience an overnight at Chabot, but you don't have a child in your party, try our Slumber with the Stars for adults only on August 24.

EARLY LEARNER WORKSHOPS

Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays in June

10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Free with Admission

Ages: 0-5 years

Join Project Create as we take over the Discovery Lab for our early learner workshops. In this drop-in workshop, your little explorers will get an opportunity to explore a variety of stations experimenting with bubbles, fossils, and light to name

a few of our themes. Check our website for our weekly themes. These workshops are on a drop in first come first serve basis.

FIRST FRIDAY: DINOSAURS!

June 7, 6-10 p.m.

\$5 general, members free

Travel back in time to a place where dinosaurs ruled the Earth! Meet paleontologists, uncover fossils, participate in a giant dig and understand what life was like for animals in prehistoric times!

FAMILY HIKES

June 8, 10 a.m. & 4 p.m. \$15 general, \$12 Members, per person Additional Family Hike Dates/Times:

- · July 27, 4 p.m.
- · August 17, 10 a.m. & 4 p.m.

Bring the whole family as we take a gentle 2-3-mile roundtrip walk among the majestic redwoods. We'll stop and tell stories about Oakland's history, identify native plants and trees, and discuss wildlife and indicators of climate change. Due to heavy roots, routes are not accessible by strollers and/or wheelchairs. Hikes may be canceled or rescheduled due to extreme weather conditions or under enrollment. Advance tickets are recommended.

LOST IN SPACE MISSIONS, 21+

June 14, 7 p.m. & 8:30 p.m. \$40

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ADULT NIGHT HIKE AND SIP, 21+

June 15, 6:30-9:30 p.m. \$30 general, \$27 members 4-5-mile hike round trip Cultural Tales of the Night's Sky

The journey begins at sunset from the Center into the beautiful surrounding redwood forest. We'll hike along some of the most popular trails and learn about local history as we uncover evidence from early settlers and will examine local plants as we discuss the ecology of the forest. At sunset, we'll stop to observe the first of the night's visible stars and planets and discuss cultural stories related to the night's sky. Upon return, each hiker will receive two complimentary glasses of wine or beer along with small bites. A perfect evening for a date night or fun with friends! Capacity is limited.

LECTURES & LASERS, 21+

June 21, 6-10 p.m. \$15

7pm- Brewology talk and tasting with Alameda Island Brewing Company 8:15pm- Laser pop

9:15pm- Pink Floyd: The Dark Side of the Moon Laser Show

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Meet representatives from Alameda Island Brewing Co. and learn about the science behind beer brewing. 21+

FAMILY SLEEPOVER, A FATHER'S DAY THEMED EXPERIENCE

June 29, 6 p.m.-9 a.m.

\$85 general, \$75 Members

Families with children only, ages 4+

Have an unforgettable family experience and keep the Father's Day celebrations going! You'll enjoy hands-on making activities, exclusive after-hours time in the exhibits, planetarium shows, stargaze with expert astronomers and enjoy a family hike in the surrounding redwood forest (optional). Complete a special scavenger hunt and earn a souvenir Chabot patch to commemorate your experience. Your sleepover includes a dinner and breakfast feast fit for a king. Have a night at the museum as you sleep amongst our exhibits or camp outside under the stars in your tent. Outdoor sleeping is on first-come basis.

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APOLLO 50TH ANNIVERSARY AT CHABOT

Join us during the month of July as we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the historic Apollo 11 landing on July 20, 1969.

Lunar First Friday

July 5, 6-10 p.m.

\$5 general, members free

Join us as we kick off our 50th Apollo Anniversary events at Chabot in July! Catch a glimpse of our new moon rock, brought back from the Apollo 16 mission and learn all about the moon through hands on activities and our New Planetarium show, Lunaverse. Explore its motion and phases, lunar and solar eclipses, tides, and the Moon's origin. Watch the preview of the new PBS series *Chasing the Moon* before it airs, and chat with Astronomer and KQED Science Researcher, Ben Burress after the show!

SLUMBER WITH THE STARS

July 13, 6 p.m.-9 a.m.

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ADULT FULL MOON NIGHT HIKE AND SIP, 21+

July 19, 6-9 p.m.

\$30 Non-Members, \$27 members

This hike's theme is Magical Moon! The journey begins at sunset from the Center into the beautiful surrounding redwood forest. The 4-5 mile roundtrip hike will be lit by the full moon. Along the way, you'll learn about the local history and ecology of the forest and hear interesting stories and facts about the moon. The evening will be capped off by stargazing and planet hunting on our observation deck. Each hiker will receive two complementary glasses of wine or beer along with small bites. A perfect evening for a date night or fun with friends! Capacity is limited.

APOLLO 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

July 20, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Free with Admission

During the Apollo program of the 1960s and '70s, NASA sent nine missions to the moon. Six of them landed astronauts safely on the surface, the only times humans have visited another world. July 20, 2019 marks the 50th anniversary of the first humans landing on the Moon on July 20, 1969 as part of NASA's Apollo 11 lunar mission.

Join us for hands on moon demos, our new planetarium show, Lunaverse and more to be announced as we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 landing!

APOLLO PARTY 21+

July 20, 6-10 p.m.

\$20 general, \$15 members

This event is after hours and for adults only! Grab a drink and join us for space karaoke, and show off your moves on the dance floor! Enjoy live performances in our Planetarium from Blue Eternity and join the crew of a special simulated mission to the moon!

\$5 FIRST FRIDAY: LIGHT

August 2, 6-10 p.m.

\$5 general, members free

Let there be light! Light, from many different sources, is all around us and has existed since the beginning of the universe. Join us for an enlightening First Friday and learn about the form of energy that sustains life, reveals colors, and can travel at nearly 300 million meters per second! Through talks, hand-on activities, and exhibitry, we'll highlight the importance of light in science, art, and culture.

ADULT NIGHT HIKE AND SIP

August 10, 6:30-10 p.m. \$30 general, \$27 members

The journey begins at sunset from the Center into the beautiful surrounding redwood forest. During the 4-5 mile roundtrip hike learn about the local history and ecology of the forest and hear interesting astronomical stories and fun facts. The evening will be capped off by stargazing and planet-hunting on our observation deck. Each hiker will receive two complimentary glasses of wine or beer along with small bites. A perfect evening for a date night or fun with friends! Capacity is limited.

PERSEID METEOR SHOWER

August 12, 11 p.m.-3 a.m.

\$8 general, members free

Hang out on our observation deck and be dazzled as you watch the spectacular Perseid Meteor Shower make an annual trip through our atmosphere and light up the night sky. Our astronomers are on hand to answer questions. Hot chocolate and other treats will be available.

BUBBLEFEST

August 17, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Adults \$22

Youth \$14

Join us for an entire day of hands on bubble fun, live music, face painting and more at our first ever BubbleFest! Learn all about the science behind bubbles, and see how bubbles can change form as professional bubble artists expose the wonders of these remarkable spheres. Join the artist, Sterling Johnson as he creates beautiful, large bubbles with found objects and experience the wonder of Tom Noddy's Bubble Magic! Tom has taken his uniquely warm and charming sense of wonder and delight in soap bubbles to audiences around the world. The bubbles are truly exquisite and Tom's lively humor and engaging sense of fun leave his audiences both delighted and intrigued.

HIGHLY MIXOLOGICAL 21+

August 24, 6-10 p.m.

\$20 general, \$15 members

Join us for an evening of all things Sci-Fi! Experiment with sciency cocktails and show off your moves on the dance floor! Learn about the possibility of life on other planets and discover the science behind science fiction. Capture a memorable evening dressed in our favorite Sci-Fi garb and enter to win our costume contest! This event is 21+.

HIGHLY MIXOLOGICAL AFTER PARTY

August 24, 10 p.m.-9 a.m.

\$85 general, \$75 Members

Come for the party and stay the night. In addition to access to the popular Highly Mixological party that evening, you'll have exclusive time for our tinkering/making lounge for hands-on DIY fun, dining and entertainment. After the party ends, enjoy a private showing of the laser light show, Pink Floyd's *Dark Side of the Moon*. After the party ends, camp out under the starry skies near the redwood forest or one of our indoor astronomical exhibitions. Rise early for a hot breakfast and optional morning hike. Limited first-come-first-serve sleeping cots are available. Advance ticket required.

<u>BRING ON THE DRUMS: DRUM MAKING WORKSHOP WITH MICROPHONE</u> MECHANICS

August 31, 1-3 p.m.

\$20 per person

Come make your very own table drum. Design it, build it, learn rhythms, build community, and most importantly take your drum home as a legacy instrument. Recommended for ages 7-107.

ABOUT CHABOT SPACE & SCIENCE CENTER

Chabot Space & Science Center is open Wed.-Sun. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. with First Fridays the first Friday of every month 5-9 p.m. Admission is Adults: \$18 • children 3-12 \$14 (under 3 free) • Students/Seniors \$15 • Memberships available.

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