

OPEN CALL

The Sun event programme

The Science and Industry Museum is looking for individuals/groups working on projects inspired by the Sun to support the delivery of a creative and contemporary science events programme. This document provides background information on opportunities to get involved.

Expression of interest deadline: Wednesday 19 June

1. What is The Sun: Living with our star exhibition?

Discover the incredible story of our closest star. Set at the centre of our solar system, the Sun's brilliant light shapes our sense of time, our health and our environment. People have tried to harness its power and uncover its secrets since the dawn of civilisation. From 3,000-year-old artefacts to upcoming space missions and even a nuclear fusion reactor, our new exhibition (20 July 2019 – 6 January 2020) takes you on a visual, action-packed journey that brings the science of the Sun to life.

2. What is the events programme?

The exhibition will be supported by an events programme targeted at families and adults with the following learning outcomes:

- Through hands-on experiences, to increase our visitors' knowledge of the Sun - what it is, how it works and in what ways it impacts their everyday lives
- Explore contemporary science research into our star, showcasing the newest science in approachable and participatory ways
- Foster a social environment that encourages visitors to consider their relationship with the Sun and open up new conversations

3. What type of things are we looking for?

The Science and Industry Museum plans to showcase the latest in technology and research to a non-expert public audience. We are looking for individuals/groups where the Sun is or forms part of their research/interest to offer:

- Demonstrations of new technologies, big or small
- Hands-on activities, crafts and challenges
- Exciting stage shows or TED style talks
- Something else exciting? Let us know!

4. What events can I contribute to?

There are lots of events, aimed at different ages, running throughout the run of the exhibition. The following page gives a short overview of each.

5. I'm interested. What do I do now?

If you are interested, please fill in [this activity proposal form](#) by Wednesday 19 June. Please circulate this to anyone in your networks that might be interested in taking part.

If you would like to ask further questions, please contact the Contemporary Science Programme Coordinator: georgina.wells@scienceandindustrymuseum.org.uk

PLATFORM FOR INVESTIGATION

(powered by Siemens)

Saturday 10 August 2019

10.30am–3.30pm

One group chosen to showcase cutting edge science and deliver between 5-8 activities

500 - 1,000 visitors expected

Families with children aged 8-14

PLAYGROUND

Saturday 17 & Sunday 18 August 2019

10am-5pm

Various hands-on activities, crafts and games delivered by multiple partners

Approximately 2,000 visitors per day

Families with children aged 7-11 and adults

LATE

Wednesday 27 November 2019

7pm–10pm

Demonstrations, hands-on activities and stage shows/talks delivered by multiple partners

500 - 1,000 visitors expected

Adult audience, largely 18-35 year olds