



2023 Community Report



15,000+ attendees from 45 zip codes
80+ events over 9 days all over the valley
80+ exhibitors at the Expo
120 volunteers

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The Las Vegas Science & Technology Festival was back in full force for 2023 and offered NINE jam-packed days of FREE events for the students and families of Clark County. More than 15,000 attendees engaged and explored at over 80 different events with the help of countless organizations and partners throughout our community.

The 12th anniversary of the Las Vegas Science and Technology Festival promoted events across the Las Vegas valley and continued the commitment of organizing free, interactive, and accessible programming. Through engaging and educational activities, the Festival strives to spark students' curiosity in STEM and ultimately to encourage them to consider careers in science, technology, engineering, and math.

"The events gave my kids a better understanding of how science and technology are applied to real life and a chance to visit educational sites that we did not know existed in LV."



"The Festival provided my children hands-on experience and helped ignite their passion on what they want to become when they grow up."



2023 Program Highlights

The Festival kicked off with several interactive opportunities with our UNLV partners, including a Rebel Science Explorers event with hands-on science projects hosted by UNLV College of Sciences, an exciting tour of hospitality and gaming technology at the Black Fire Innovation Center, and an inspirational talk with the Vice Dean of the Kirk Kerkorian School of Medicine.

Our **Outdoor Explorers Day** offered many different events to explore the nature and science all around us in Southern Nevada. Events included Bio Blast at the **Clark County Wetlands Park**, a junior paleontologist hike at the **Ice Age Fossils State Park**, a community gardening experience, and a fishing and hiking event at Sunset Park. Plus, families got a chance for a special movie screening of Vertical Freedom, a documentary following the lives of communication infrastructure professionals, hosted by Galaxy Theatres at Boulevard Mall.

On **Science is Everywhere Day**, local businesses and organizations hosted over 30 tours, workshops, and activities that showcased how they use science and technology every day. Attendees toured the **Silverton Aquarium** and the **Neon Museum**, took a behind-the-scenes look at how those famous **Bellagio Fountains** work, learned how to code and build video games with the **Code Ninjas**, explored the tech centers and labs at various **Las Vegas-Clark County Library** locations, and so much more!

The festival calendar continued throughout the week, featuring **Science in the Schools** in partnership with the **Clark County School District**. A variety of STEM professionals visited local classrooms to engage students with presentations and hands-on activities.

The weeknights brought our **Signature Events**, featuring a variety of science-themed programs where families had the opportunity to interact with real scientists to learn about their fields. Some of the highlights included: a presentation with a **2020 NASA Mission to MARS** participant; interactive event with the **Southern Hills Hospital medical resident team**; a Star Wars-themed science showcase; special shows and stargazing at the **CSN planetarium**; and **'Ologist night at the Las Vegas Natural History Museum**.

The Festival culminated in the **GIANT EXPO at the World Market Center**, where nearly 8,000 attendees experienced over 80 interactive demonstrations at the biggest celebration of science in Southern Nevada. The Expo also featured all-day entertainment including a kids pitch competition sponsored by Tech Alley, two energy-smart musical performances, on-stage science experiments, and an outdoor solar rollers race!



"The exhibits were outstanding! My kids did not want to leave. It was interesting and engaging for all ages. We cannot wait to come back next year!"

A Special Thank You!

The **2023 Las Vegas Science and Technology Festival** was made possible thanks to the generous support of our sponsors and community partners.



8-Bit Coding	Kid City USA	Sahara West Library
All In Aviation	Kirk Kerkorian School of Medicine	San Miguel Community Garden
American Astronomical Society	Las Vegas Area Council, BSA	Shark Reef Aquarium at Mandalay Bay
Arcata Associates	Las Vegas Astronomical Society	Silverton Aquarium
Atomic Museum	Las Vegas Review-Journal	Skill Struck
Bellagio Hotel & Casino	Las Vegas Natural History Museum	SMART Garden Experience
BIG & Digital's Cinema Learning Challenge	Las Vegas Radio Amateur Club	Sollar Rollers
Black Fire Innovation Center	Las Vegas Wash Coordination Committee	Southern Hills Hospital and Medical Center
CCSD Family Engagement	Las Vegas-Clark County Library District	Southern Nevada Agency Partnership
City of Las Vegas	LEGO Education	Southern Nevada Conservancy
Civil Air Patrol	Lost City Museum	Southern Nevada Conservancy/SNAP
Clark County School District	LVAC BSA Base Camp	Southern Nevada Water Authority/Las Vegas Valley Water District
Clark County School District Engagement Unit	Masterful Creations STEAM Academy	Southwest Gas
Clark County School District Magnet Schools	Mesquite Library	Springs Preserve
Clark County Water Quality	MGM Resorts International	STARBASE Nellis
Clark County Wetlands Park Nature Reserve	Multipure	Tag Team Productions
Code Central	Nasri Academy for Gifted Children	Tech Alley
Code Ninjas – Centennial	National Technical Institute	The Mine Experience at McCaw School of Mines
Cox Communications	National Weather Service	The Neon Museum
CSN Planetarium	Neon Museum	U.S. Fish and Wildlife
Dee for Dentist	Nevada Department of Wildlife	University of Nevada, Reno – Youth Horticulture Education
Desert Research Institute	Nevada Girls in STEM	UNLV College of Engineering – Tech Trekker
DISCOVERY Children's Museum	Nevada National Security Site – Mission Support and Test Services	UNLV College of Sciences
Discovery Education	Nevada State Parks	UNLV Geoscience Legends Program
Dr. Arya Udry	Nevada State Science Teachers Association	UNLV Office of Admissions
East Las Vegas Library	Nevada Water Environment Association	UNLV School of Life Sciences
Faith Lutheran Middle School & High School	NV Energy	Vegas PBS
FBI Las Vegas Division	INVigate powered by Nevada State Treasurer's Office	West Las Vegas Library
FIRST Nevada	Protectors of Tule Springs/Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument	Whitney Library
Galaxy Theatres at Boulevard Mall	Public Utilities Commission of Nevada	World Market Center
Gene Haas Foundation	Rainbow Library	ZeduPlus SMART Education
Girl Scouts of Southern Nevada	Regional Professional Development Program	
Girls Rock At Science	Sage Collegiate Public Charter School	
Hoover Dam Rafting Adventures		
Ice Age Fossils State Park		

Presented by the Las Vegas Natural History Museum

