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LIFT OFF WITH ARIZONA SCIENCE CENTER'S NEW EXHIBITION: *ASTRONAUT*

An exhibition about what it's like to be a space explorer set to open on February 6, 2021

Phoenix, AZ – January 15, 2021 – Jump into your space suit and report for training, because the newest addition to Arizona Science Center has landed and it's out of this world! The *Astronaut* exhibition is coming to the Science Center from February 6 - May 31, 2021, bringing with it a whole space lab full of science fun.

This new interactive and hands-on exhibition explores the physical and mental challenges involved in space exploration and gives visitors a taste of what life is like outside of Earth and its atmosphere.

"*Astronaut* is a really unique exhibition because it reveals all the stages of becoming a space explorer. From training to blasting off and living in space, *Astronaut* investigates the day-to-day activities alongside the unique science conducted in space, exposing a reality not often shown," said Dean Briere, The Hazel A. Hare Interim CEO of Arizona Science Center. Through interactive exhibits, visitors can experience g-force, conduct maintenance on a space station, grow space food, and learn the realities of showering, sleeping, and using the toilet in space.

The exhibition also focuses on teamwork to solve problems, accurately perform tasks, and overcome challenges that an astronaut would face on a real mission to the cosmos.

Visitors will have the chance to test their grip strength in special gloves that mimic a pressurized spacesuit or they can work together to launch a space mission smoothly.

Built-in the Scitech workshop in Perth, Australia, and produced by Imagine Exhibitions, *Astronaut* is a fun adventure for all ages. Imagine Exhibitions CEO Tom Zaller shared, "Imagine Exhibitions is proud to partner with Scitech to bring *Astronaut* to Arizona Science Center. For decades, the scientific, technological, and engineering challenges of space exploration have captured our imaginations. *Astronaut* allows visitors to not only imagine life as a cosmic explorer but to actually experience the incredible ways that humans survive in outer space."

Come learn all about [Astronaut](#), open daily to the public from 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for a limited engagement through May 31, 2021. Tickets are available to purchase at Arizona Science Center and azscience.org.

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About Arizona Science Center

The mission of Arizona Science Center is to inspire, educate, and engage curious minds through science. The Center is committed to providing a safe environment that aligns with expert protocols for COVID-19. Leadership actively monitors and evolves policies to ensure a focus on the health and safety of guests and team members. The Center, located at 600 E. Washington Street in downtown Phoenix, features more than 300 hands-on exhibits, live demonstrations, a range of interactive online science content, the state-of-the-art Dorrance Planetarium and the five-story Irene P. Flinn Giant Screen Theater. CREATE at Arizona Science Center®, adjacent to the main building, is the newest addition. This 6,500 square foot community makerspace provides workshops, including 3D printing, laser cutting, woodworking and sewing. The Center offers programs for all ages, including Camp Innovation, Teen programs, Professional Development and Learning for Educators, and adults' night out: Science With A Twist. The Center also offers a broad range of online science

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learning resources for parents, educators, students and anyone curious about science. For further details, please visit azscience.org.

About Imagine Exhibitions

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