

Science Alternative Village Fete

10.00-16.00 Saturday 23 March



The Artists



815 Agency (Nicola Read)

will bring you *The Space Race*. A twist on the village fete classics of snail and sack races. Come and enjoy the slow delights of snails racing from earth to the moon or don a colander space-helmet and compete in the DIY fancy dress astronauts vs cosmonauts sack race. No previous snail racing expertise necessary. Significantly easier than camel racing.



Richard DeDomenici

If the net torque acting on an object is zero, the angular momentum of the object is constant. In 2012 artist Richard DeDomenici launched a new international sporting competition - *The Swivelympics*. The aim of the new sport is to attain the highest number of spins, in a single self-propelled push, on a standard office swivelchair.

As DeDomenici works to professionalise the sport in preparation for next year's Commonwealth Games, he is keen to collaborate with the scientific community to optimise performance techniques and equipment, thereby enabling Swivelympians to continue setting new records without having to resort to doping.

www.swivelympics.com www.dedomenici.com



Ella Good & Nicki Kent

Moonscape

A glimpse into another world. A five minute experience, viewable by one audience member at a time. Contents classified: TOP SECRET.



Made In China

propose a Science Fact, Science Fiction gameshow run by Jess & Tim (Made In China). Members of the public will compete in a variety of contests. Tasks may include, real science quiz questions, sci-fi film trivia, tasks playfully questioning what fact is and whether anything is truly a 'fact' : tasks that blur the line between truth and fiction, acting out scenes from Sci-fi movies.



Mirror Mirror

Environmental hazards... intergalactic intelligence... vegetation invasion.....

Mirror Mirror present activities that focus on the blurry edge between sci fi stories and real discoveries! An early 20th century magic lantern will be displaying original images from early 20th science lectures. Visitors can make and view their own slides as well as join the Mirror Mirror tours conducted throughout the day.



Pentapaper

Deborah Andrews makes drawings in her Illustration Machine for anyone who submits a question! For the *Science Alternative Village Fete*, questions and ideas can be based on the following.....

- what would be the title of a science fiction/science fact TV programme or film that you would make?
- what in science - that in 2013 we consider to be fact - will be proved to be myth and what will be proved to be true?
- tell us an amazing secret about science that we have yet to be told about in the Media!



Richard Robinson
Incredible Machine

Also known as a Rube Goldberg Machine, or a Chain Reaction, the machine is created by visitors swarming over the strange kit they find. The idea is simply to send a signal around the room/space. In the process the participants learn about friction, force, momentum, mass, levers, pulleys and gravity.



Dr Sparks & Miss Electra - Tim Cockerill

The 'Electric Act', in various forms dates back over 150 years and was developed in the heyday of electrical showmanship. As a contemporary performance-piece, the electric act blurs the boundaries between showmanship, art, and science. Miss Electra will be charged with thousands of volts of electricity but still she survives! She lights fluorescent bulbs at her fingertips and ignites a fire torch with her tongue. She can pop corks from bottles with an electrified flash as the strange fluence travels through her body. What's more, brave volunteers from the audience can attempt to take objects from Miss Electra's hand but are unable to do so due to her electrified aura.



Search Party

will offer a Pinhole Photography Portrait service. Using a range of DIY dressing up costumes, participants will sit for a portrait dressed as homemade versions of their favourite scientists, aliens, intergalactic heroes or their own made-up Sci-fi characters. Portraits will be displayed throughout the day and given as gifts to each participant at the end of the fete. Sit still, let your guard down and think about who you want to become.



Seth Kriebel

The Unbuilt Room is a performance-game exploring how places create memories... and how memories create places. A performer guides players through a virtual world, exploring strange rooms and solving puzzles without leaving their chairs. An extraordinary experience inspired by artificial intelligence, science fiction and virtual reality.



Troublemaker Theatre

Making a paper aeroplane is the best way to make a piece of A4 paper travel the furthest - true or false? Hosts Ginger & Roger will guide you through how to make your paper travel the furthest. Sling, catapult, make a ball and throw it or classic paper plane. Scoreboards will keep track of aerodynamic champions throughout the day. Visitors will be provided with facts and information about basic aerodynamics and the progression of aeroplane design.



The Wind Ups DJs will be bringing their hybrid clockwork gramophone decks to play some authentic 78 rpm gramophone records.

Audience members will also have the chance to look at the internal mechanism of a clockwork gramophone and hear about the process of making shellac. You'll never believe where it comes from! Please bring 1 or 2 of your favourite 78 rpm gramophone's to be played. Hear your record amplified by their modern tone arm and diamond stylus cut to play gramophone records.

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