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MEDIA ADVISORY

CELEBRATE THE SUMMER SOLSTICE AT THE ADLER JUNE 21

EVENT: Summer Solstice Celebration

WHEN: Tuesday, June 21 from 11:00 am – 5:30pm

WHERE: Adler Planetarium
1300 South Lake Shore Drive
Chicago, IL 60605
www.adlerplanetarium.org

ACTIVITIES:

- 11:00 am – 1:00 pm – Pocket sundial making
- 1:00 pm – 3:00pm – Solar viewing
- 1:00, 2:00, 3:00 pm – Changing Seasons demonstration
- 11:30 am, 1:30, 3:30, 5:30 pm – Space in Your Face sky show

CELEBRATE THE LONGEST DAY OF THE YEAR AT THE ADLER PLANETARIUM:

The Summer Solstice is the day when the distance between the sun and the earth's equator is the greatest, making the solstice the longest day of the year. At noon on the solstice, the sun will be directly over the Tropic of Cancer.

The Adler is celebrating the solstice by offering activities throughout the day in addition to the normal museum shows and presentations. Fun family activities include making pocket sundials, solar viewing, the Space in Your Face sky show and a Changing Seasons demonstration. Space in Your Face is a kid-friendly sky show, which explains the mysteries of the universe, including the solstice. The Changing Seasons demonstration illustrates how the seasons occur by involving visitors in the tilting, turning, revolving motion of the earth.

The Adler Planetarium & Astronomy Museum – America's First Planetarium – was founded in 1930 by Chicago business leader Max Adler. Celebrating its 75th Anniversary in 2005, the Adler promotes leading research in astronomy and its fascinating history. The museum is home to one of the world's most important antique instrument collections and is the only museum in the world with two full-size planetarium theaters, including the world's first StarRider Theater. The Adler is a recognized leader in science education, with a focus on inspiring young people, particularly women and minorities, to pursue careers in science.

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