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Wonderscope pumps up the E in STEAM learning

Community support for new engineering workshops for KC's youngest engineers! MEDIA INVITED TO COVER UPCOMING WORKSHOP FRIDAY, APRIL 9, AT 10AM

Kansas City, MO (April 6, 2021) With the goal of introducing children to the marvels of engineering at a very young age, The Regnier Family Wonderscope Museum of Kansas City has launched *Engineering Creativity*, a series of hands-on workshops led by professional engineers from the community.

"As a museum dedicated to providing engaging STEAM educational experiences for young children and their families, we are excited to be adding this new component to our programming," said Wonderscope's Executive Director Roxane Hill. "This program is a great example of how our community partners are really stepping up and enthusiastically supporting our mission to spark a lifelong love of learning through the universal and uniting power of play."

Engineers from Henderson Engineers recently kicked off the series with a workshop focused on building structures and testing their strength. During the workshop, children used toothpicks and Styrofoam balls to construct three separate structures: a triangular prism, a cube, and a combination of both. Henderson will return the second Friday of each month with a new engineering project.

"Henderson Engineers is proud to be a part of the Engineering Creativity program at Wonderscope and excited to have the opportunity to help introduce STEAM learning to the next generation of innovators," said Yamil Camacho, an electrical designer at the company.

Engineers from Kiewit will join the series later this month, with Saturday hands-on workshops. These, too, will be held monthly and will focus on a various engineering principles.

"Kiewit is thrilled to support the mission of Wonderscope and to be a part of the *Engineering Creativity* program. We know that engaging young minds in fun and engaging STEM activities can help develop new ways of thinking," said Nicolette Loutsch, Kiewit's giving and philanthropy manager. "Giving back is an integral part of our company culture."

All Engineering Creativity workshops are free with museum admission. See wonderscope.org for workshop dates and times.

About The Regnier Family Wonderscope Children's Museum of Kansas City

Wonderscope provides imaginative, experiential STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, math) exhibits and programs for ages 10 and younger, their parents, and educators from across the KC metro area. Wonderscope's mission is to spark a lifelong love of learning through the universal and uniting power of play. Learn more about the museum at wonderscope.org