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Connecticut Science Center seeks Nominations for STEM Achievement Awards

Public invited to nominate Individuals, Corporations, Organizations, and Educators
Deadline: March 6

Hartford, CT— February 24, 2015 — Do you know a STEM superstar? The Connecticut Science Center is now accepting nominations for individuals and organizations for their outstanding contributions in STEM fields (science, technology, engineering, and math) and STEM Education. Members of the public are encouraged to submit nominations online at CTScienceCenter.org. Nominations will be accepted through Friday, March 6 at 12PM.

From pay phones to the aerospace industry to biotechnology, Connecticut has a proud tradition of invention and innovation. With this annual award, the Connecticut Science Center recognizes one individual and one organization for outstanding contributions in the fields of STEM and STEM education. Past honorees include Governor Dannel Malloy, Google Ideas CEO Jared Cohen, The Travelers Companies, Inc., and United Technologies Corporation.

The awards will be presented at a breakfast at the Connecticut Science Center on Tuesday, May 5. The Connecticut Science Center Awards for Achievement in STEM Innovation and Education debuted at the Green Gala in 2012. In recognition of the high profile of these awards, they will now be presented at a new, exclusive annual event, drawing community and business leaders from around the region.

For tickets and sponsorship information for the STEM Achievement Awards breakfast, please contact Nicole Carelli at 860.520.2147 or ncarelli@ctsciencecenter.org. Tickets for the general public will be available April 1 on the Science Center's website at CTScienceCenter.org.

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About the Connecticut Science Center The LEED-Gold certified Connecticut Science Center, located in downtown Hartford, sparks creative imagination and an appreciation for science by immersing visitors in fun and educational hands-on, minds-on interactive experiences while maintaining an environmentally conscious presence. Serving 1.7 million people since opening in 2009, the Science Center features more than 165 exhibits in ten galleries and a range of topics, including space and earth sciences, physical sciences, biology, the Connecticut River watershed, alternative energy sources, Connecticut inventors and innovations, a children's gallery, and much more. Other features include four educational labs, a 200-seat 3D digital theater, function room, gift store, and ongoing events for all ages. The Science Center is a non-profit organization dedicated to enhancing science education throughout the state of Connecticut and New England, providing learning opportunities for students and adults of all ages, and engaging the community in scientific exploration. The Connecticut Science Center is also the home to the **Joyce D. and Andrew J. Mandell Academy for Teachers**, offering powerful Professional Development for educators. More information: www.CTScienceCenter.org or 860.SCIENCE.