CTSC

Kitchen Chemistry

Holiday Programme



where messy meets magical

27 June - 20 July 2026

at the Cape Town Science Centre





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FEATURING a series of exciting pop-up exhibits and presentations by:

SANCCOB saves seabirds

OCEAN CAMPUS Two Oceans Aquarium Foundation

CITY OF CAPE TOWN ISIXEKO SASEKAPA STAD KAAPSTAD

CapeNature



Meet Bingo, the anti-litter mascot, & CapeNature's leopard cub, Kai



SCHEDULE

10:00	LIGHT ROOM
11:00	WORKSHOP
11:30	DEMO
12:00	CAMERA OBSCURA
12:30	SCIENCE SHOW
13:30	DEMO
14:00	WORKSHOP
14:30	SCIENCE SHOW
15:00	LIGHT ROOM
15:30	CAMERA OBSCURA

OPENING HOURS:

Monday to Saturday: 09:00 - 16:30
** Closed on SUNDAYS **
Public Holidays: 10:00 - 16:30

ENTRY FEES:

Youth (3-18) & Adult - R95
Pensioner - R45
Family Package (4 people) - R340
Group (10 or more) - R85 pp



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				26 June SCHOOL'S OUT!!	27 June **Workshop:** Tie dye baby wipes **Demo:** Ice paintings
29 JUNE **Workshop:** Cornstarch Playdough **Demo:** Sensory Bin **Two Oceans Mobile Aquarium:** Rock Pool Mini Exhibit	30 JUNE **Workshop:** Fizzy Paintings **Demo:** Colour Collisions	1 JULY **Workshop:** Chromo Butterfly **Demo:** Instant Snow Station **City of Cape Town:** Meet Bingo, the anti-litter mascot	2 JULY **Workshop:** Invisible Ink **Demo:** Ice Paintings	3 JULY **Workshop:** Tie dye baby wipes **Demo:** Sensory Bins **CapeNature:** Meet Kai & the Cubs Club	4 JULY **Workshop:** Cornstarch playdough **Demo:** Colour Collisions
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Bonus Discovery Days!



Enhance your holiday adventure with special exhibits and presentations from our collaborating partners. Explore marine life up close, learn how to protect our oceans and seabirds, meet conservation champions and mascots, and discover how science can help create a more sustainable future. Available on selected programme days only.





Two Oceans Mobile Aquarium

Monday, 29 June

11:30 – 13:00 at The Science Corner

OCEAN CAMPUS
Two Oceans Aquarium Foundation

Join us for an exciting, hands-on ocean discovery experience! At our Aquarium Outreach Expo stand, students will have the unique opportunity to explore the wonders of marine life up close. Engage with fascinating live ocean specimens, engage with our knowledgeable teachers, and discover the incredible diversity of life beneath the waves.

This interactive experience is sure to spark curiosity, deepen understanding, and inspire a love for our oceans.

SANCCOB

SANCCOB™
saves seabirds

Southern African Foundation for the Conservation of Coastal Birds



Tuesday, 7 July

11:30 - 12:30 in the SAP Auditorium





The Education And Empowerment Programme, inspires and equips communities, schools, and volunteers to become champions for marine and seabird conservation.

Be part of the solution. Get involved and help us make a lasting difference for our seabirds.



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CapeNature

CapeNature Cubs Club

Fridays, 3 & 10 July

09:00 - 13:00 on the exhibition floor

Join us for an exciting and interactive Cubs Club Exhibition where young adventurers can explore the wonders of nature through fun, educational displays and engaging activities.

Come meet Kai and friends, take part in exciting experiences, and discover how we can all play a role in protecting our environment!

Meet Bingo!



The City of Cape Town's anti-litter mascot

CITY OF CAPE TOWN ISIXEKO SASEKAPA STAD KAAPSTAD

Wednesdays 1, 8 & 15 July

11:30 - 12:00 in the SAP Auditorium

Join us as we explore the 3 Rs
– Reduce, Reuse and Recycle!

Learners will discover how to reduce waste,
what items can be recycled,
where recycling goes, and why it's important not to litter.







WORKSHOPS

11:00 & 14:00

Capacity: 32 per workshop

Tie dye baby wipes

27 June & 3, 9 & 15 July

Create bold colours and beautiful patterns in our exciting tie-dye workshop! Kids will explore simple dyeing techniques using baby wipes to make fun, colourful artworks to take home.

Ages: 5+ | Cost: R5

Chromo butterfly

1, 7, 13 & 18 July

Watch colours transform into beautiful butterflies! In this creative workshop, kids will learn the science of chromatography while making bright and colourful butterfly masterpieces to take home.

Ages: 5+ | Cost: R5

Fizzy paintings

30 June & 6, 11 & 17 July

Turn science into art in our Fizzy Paintings workshop! Children will discover how chemical reactions create bubbling, colourful effects while making fun artworks to take home.

Ages: 5+ | Cost: R5



Invisible ink

2, 8, 14 & 20 July

Spy science comes to life in this exciting workshop! Children will create invisible messages and learn how science can be used to reveal secret clues and hidden surprises.

Ages: 5+ | Cost: R5

Cornstarch playdough

29 June & 4, 10 & 16 July

Squish, shape, and create in our Cornstarch Playdough Workshop! Kids will make their own soft, squishy playdough while exploring fun textures and hands-on sensory play.

Ages: 5+ | Cost: R10





SCIENCE DEMONSTRATIONS

11:30 & 13:30 at The Science Corner

****Suitable for all ages - Entry fee only**

Instant Snow Station

1, 6, 10, 14 & 18 July

Snow in Cape Town? Absolutely! Children will be amazed as they explore the wonders of instant snow through a fun, hands-on science demonstration full of texture and excitement.

Colour Collisions

30 June & 4, 9, 15 & 20 July

Watch colourful droplets collide with oil! Discover what happens when two liquids that don't mix meet each other and create beautiful swirling patterns. This fun experiment explores density and the science of immiscible liquids.

Sensory Bin

29 June & 3, 8, 11 & 16 July

Get up close with creepy crawlies in a safe and exciting way! In our Bugs Sensory Bin kids will explore different insects, textures and habitats in a fun, hands-on sensory adventure.

Ice painting

27 June & 2, 7, 13 & 17 July

Cool down with creativity in our Ice Painting Demo! Kids will explore colourful art in a fun and exciting way using frozen paint to create beautiful melting masterpieces.

SCIENCE SCAVENGER HUNT

Race through science, one clue at a time!

THE Hunt IS ON

- Grab an activity sheet below.
- Visit the different stations and answer the questions.
- Work individually or in a team.
- Write your answers clearly in the spaces provided.
- Ask a facilitator for a hint if needed.
- Return to the Ticket Office and receive a sticker.

NEW!

CODE & PLAY

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LEVEL UP

A fun, self-guided space where kids can learn basic coding skills & enjoy educational games that build creativity, logic, & problem-solving.

Times: 10:00 – 11:00 & 14:30 – 15:30
Ages: 10+ | **Capacity:** 10 per session
Cost: Entry fee only
Venue: Multimedia Lab @ the CTSC
* **Subject to availability of MM Lab - confirm at the Ticket Office**

Holiday Club

CTSC
CapeTownScienceCentre

Micro:bit Masterclass

Using the BBC Micro and Microsoft MakeCode, participants will learn how to create interactive programs, animations, games, smart devices and coding challenges while developing problem-solving and computational thinking skills.





Earn a certificate of participation!



Date: 30 June - 2 July 2026 (3 days)
Time: 10:00 - 13:00
Ages: 11-17 years *Capacity: 20 participants
Cost: Non-members: R600, Members: R450

WIZARDS BOARD GAMES
THE CHRIS LEGG COLLECTION

26 June – 19 July 2026

Discover 400+ board games at the Cape Town Science Centre. From family favourites and party games to epic strategy challenges, there's something for everyone.

Bring your own game or discover a new favourite with help from our friendly game facilitator.



Join a table, make new friends, and play!

Entry fee only

Cape Town Science Centre, 1st floor



REGULARS:

SCIENCE SHOW

Get ready for an extraordinary science show that will blow your mind! Join our talented scientists as they perform mind-boggling experiments, create colourful chemical reactions, and unveil the mysteries of the universe. With dazzling visuals and interactive demonstrations, this show will ignite your curiosity and leave you in awe of the wonders of science. Prepare to be amazed and inspired!

Time: 12:30 & 14:30 | Ages: Suitable for the whole family | Cost: Entry fee only

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CAMERA OBSCURA TOURS

Step into the fascinating world of the Camera Obscura! Discover how light, lenses and mirrors work together to project a live image of the outside world onto a giant screen. Experience the wonder of this centuries-old optical invention and uncover the science behind its captivating illusions.

Time: 12:00 & 15:30 | Ages: Suitable for all ages | Cost: Entry fee only

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ASTROTREK VIRTUAL REALITY

Embark on an unforgettable journey with Astrotrek Virtual Reality at the Cape Town Science Centre! Step into the captivating world of VR and discover the science of light like never before. Immerse yourself in stunning virtual environments that transport you to distant places, all while learning about the wonders of light. Don't miss out on this incredible experience, proudly sponsored by the National Research Fund (NRF) and the South African Radio Astronomy Observation (SARAO). It's a must-do for all science enthusiasts!

Time: All day* | Ages: Suitable for ages 7+ | Cost: R5 + entry fee

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LIGHT ROOM TOUR

Welcome to the wonderful Light Room at the Cape Town Science Centre! Step inside and prepare to be amazed by the magic of light. Explore the beautiful colours and discover how light can reflect and create cool effects. Our friendly facilitators will show you all the secrets of light and make it a fun experience for everyone. Get ready to have a bright and enlightening time in the Light Room!

Time: 10:00 & 15:00* | Ages: Suitable for all ages | Cost: Entry fee only