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Science Celebration returns to Port Alberni on February 11th

For the second year in a row, Science World will bring its famous wacky approach to science education to Port Alberni and the West Coast. The 2nd annual Community Science Celebration (CSC) in Port Alberni takes place on Saturday, February 11th 2012, culminating a week of science, technology and innovation activities taking place throughout the region. The Celebration includes eye-popping science shows, demonstrations, challenges and an opportunity to meet people in your community doing cool science every day.

In addition to the Mid-Island Science Technology Innovation Council and North Island College, co-sponsors of the event, Science World will be joined by several local science-based organizations, such as Genome BC, Milner Gardens, and the City of Port Alberni's Bear Smart program, just to name a few.

This event gives Alberni Valley residents the opportunity to learn about science and technology thriving in their own backyards, through exhibits, marine displays, spinning plates, and a steel ball that will have your hair standing on end.

- **Who:** Science World, North Island College, MISTIC and various community organizations
- **What:** Community Science Celebration
- **When:** February 11, 2012, 10:30 am – 4:00 pm
- **Where:** Port Alberni Athletic Hall and North Island College Port Alberni campus
- **Why:** To inspire kids of all ages with the fun and creativity of science!

Space is still available for organizations interested exhibiting their science-related innovations or materials. All exhibitors are encouraged to focus on local science,

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innovation, initiatives or science educational opportunities. The Celebration is geared for a family audience. There is no fee to participate and admission is free to all residents in the region. If you chose to participate you will be provided with a 10 X 10 booth space and a table.

Science World is able to offer this event to the public, free-of-charge, as a result of funding received from the Province of BC.

For further information on the event, please contact Susan Auchterlonie, NIC Community Relations, at 250-334-5271.

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