

# **Projects and Opportunities**

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#### **Explore Science: Earth & Space**

250 toolkits with hands-on activities in 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020 50 exhibitions in 2018 and 2019

Online workshops in 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020

- Timeline: 2018 toolkit applications due Fall 2017
- Timeline: exhibition applications anticipated in late 2017
- Eligibility: museums and public planetariums in the United States; free digital materials will be available to everyone
- More information: www.nisenet.org/earthspacekit
- Funding: NASA through Science Museum of Minnesota



#### Frankenstein's Footlocker

Hands-on activities exploring science-in-society questions raised by Mary Shelley's novel *Frankenstein* plus related digital interactives where visitors can participate in creative online activities

- Timeline: digital kits available in Fall 2017
- Free digital materials will be available online to everyone
- More Information: www.nisenet.org/frankensteins-footlocker
- Funding: National Science Foundation through Arizona State University



# ChemAttitudes

250 kits of educational activities designed to stimulate interest, sense of relevance, and feelings of self-efficacy about chemistry

- Timeline: application and kit distribution in 2018
- Eligibility: museums and chemistry public outreach groups in the United States; free digital materials will be available online to everyone
- More Information: www.nisenet.org/chemattitudes
- Funding: National Science Foundation through Museum of Science



## **Building with Biology**

200 kits with hands-on activities designed to promote conversations in among scientists and public audiences about synthetic biology, produced 2016

- A few physical kits are still available
- Free digital materials available online to everyone
- Digital download: www.nisenet.org/building-with-biology-kit
  - Website: www.buildingwithbiology.org
  - Funding: National Science Foundation through Museum of Science





## Sustainability in Science Museums

Kits featuring hands-on activities about sustainability, produced 2016

- Free digital materials available online to everyone
- Digital download: www.nisenet.org/sustainable-kit
- Website: sustainabilitysolutions.asu.edu/sciencemuseums/
- Funding: Walton Sustainability Solutions Initiatives at Arizona State University

## **Nanoscale Informal Science Education Network**

Recent professional development publications include:

- Games and the NISE Network: A Gameful Approach to STEM Learning Experiences
- Leading and Managing the NISE Network: Practical Solutions for Creating a Flexible National Network
- NanoDays Collection: A complete compendium of NanoDays resources
- DIY Nano: a book of do-it-yourself science activities that investigate nano
- Museum & Community Partnerships—Collaboration Guide:
- For museums working with community youth-serving organizations
- NISE Network Program Development: A guide to creating effective learning experiences for public audiences - NanoDays: A NISE Network guide to creating activity kits, building communities, and inspiring learning
- Evaluating the NISE Network: Reflections from the Evaluation Workgroup
  - Free digital materials available online to everyone
  - Website: www.nisenet.org/About\_Professional\_Development



#### NanoDays

Kits featuring hands-on activities and professional development resources about nanoscale science, engineering, and technology topics, produced 2008-2015

- We encourage partners to continue holding events and using kits during upcoming NanoDays dates: March 31-April 8, 2018; March 30-April 7, 2019; March 28-April 5, 2020
- Free digital materials available online to everyone
- Digital download: www.nisenet.org/nanodays
- Funding: National Science Foundation through Museum of Science





Kits are designed to facilitate collaborations with local community partners in an effort to engage underserved audiences about nanoscale science, produced 2016

- Free digital materials available online to everyone
- Digital download: www.nisenet.org/explorescience-nano
- Funding: National Science Foundation through Museum of Science

#### **Small Footprint Exhibitions**

The NISE Network leadership is exploring opportunities to develop, fabricate, and distribute modular small footprint exhibitions on different topics modeled on the *Nano* exhibition. We are interested in talking with partners about their interest in this model and different topics they may be interested in.

More information: www.smm.org/smallfootprint

