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The first annual Saskatoon Mini Maker Faire debuts in Saskatoon on May 26, 2018 and offers a family-friendly showcase of invention, creativity and resourcefulness.

Event is now accepting Maker Applications through March 31, 2018.

SASKATOON, SK - **(February 20, 2018)** Saskatoon Mini Maker Faire producers have opened the event's Call for Makers. The Call for Makers is an online application for individuals and groups interested in exhibiting at the event on May 26, 2018. The application can be completed at SaskatoonMakerFaire.com through March 31, 2018.

Saskatoon Mini Maker Faire is an event where Makers can exhibit free of charge with an accepted application. Commercial Makers who would like to sell their product while demonstrating its concepts are also welcome to apply. There are a limited number of vendor spots available as this is not a pop-up market; rather the aim of Saskatoon Mini Maker Faire is to inspire, inform, connect and grow this community in the spirit of education, involvement and entertainment.

This event is locally organized and operated under license from Maker Media, Inc. Maker Faire originated in 2006 in the San Francisco Bay Area as a project of the editors of Make Magazine. It has since grown into a significant worldwide network of both flagship and independently-produced events. This celebration of the Maker Movement is a place where people show what they are making and share what they are learning. Part science fair, part county fair—this event is a celebration of Maker innovations!

Makers are a combination of engineers, scientists, hackers, crafters, do-it-yourselfers; someone that does not settle for a ready-packaged solution. It is an artist, a creative person that will apply technology in new and innovative ways to solve a problem or just make our world a better place. A Maker is someone that is willing to get their hands dirty, try stuff out and share their process. ANYONE can be a Maker! They are of all ages and backgrounds. On this opening year of Saskatoon Mini Maker Faire, an anticipated 50+ exhibitors will be showcasing their skills.

This is a sampling of exhibitor topics to expect at a Maker Faire: Robotics - Wearables - E-Textiles - Fashion Tech - Biology/Biotech and Chemistry Projects - Drones & RC Fun - Homesteader & Domestic Arts - Kinetic Art - Fire & Installation Art - Digital Fabrication: 3D Printers, CNC, etc. - Open Hardware

Projects - Design: Industrial, Fashion, Product, Urban - Young Makers & School Maker Clubs - Music Performance - Hacks of Any Sort - Glass - Foundry & Blacksmithing - Ceramics - How-To Workshops - Electronic Projects - Arts and Crafts - Rockets - Sustainable Transportation - Radios - Vintage Computers and Game Systems - Puppets - Human-Powered Machines - Unusual Tools or Machines - How to Fix Things or Take Them Apart displays.

Social Media

Facebook: <u>@YXEMakerFaire</u> Twitter: <u>@YXEMakerFaire</u> Instagram: <u>@YXEMakerFaire</u>

Images and logos available: http://SaskatoonMakerFaire.com/media-center/

Current Saskatoon Mini Maker Faire 2018 Sponsors include:

Presenting: Make Magazine, FingerTech Robotics;

Silversmith: Saskatoon TechWorks, Saskatoon Makerspace, Saskatchewan Entertainment Expo;

Coppersmith: Express Hobbies, Video Games Live.

For Sponsorship Opportunities:

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Fact Sheet:

- Name: Saskatoon Mini Maker Faire
- Date & Time: Saturday May 26, 2018 10am-6pm
- Tagline: Maker Faire is the Greatest Show (and Tell) on Earth
- Description: A family-friendly showcase of invention, creativity and resourcefulness, and a celebration of the Maker Movement. It's a place where people show what they are making, and share what they are learning.
- Website: **SaskatoonMakerFaire.com** (for all event info and tickets)
- Venue: **Prairieland Park, Hall C,** Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
- Type: Annual showcase of creativity and innovation
- Content: We anticipate over 50 unique, and interactive exhibits, performances, and workshops.
- Ticketing: Ticketed event. Purchased from event website at SaskatoonMakerFaire.com/tickets/

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