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## Calling All Makers, Universities, Artists for Maker Faire San Diego 2018

*Call for Entries Open Through September 7, 2018*

**June 26, 2018 (SAN DIEGO, CA)** — Do you make cool stuff? Show it off at [Maker Faire San Diego, 2018](#) in Balboa Park. The call for entries is now open. In its fourth year, this unique, two-day event will be held October 6-7, 2018, from 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Maker Faire showcases the amazing work of all kinds of makers—anyone who is embracing the do-it-yourself (or do-it-together) spirit and wants to share their accomplishments with an appreciative audience.

Remember, space is limited so apply as soon as possible to ensure your spot at the greatest show (& tell) on earth!

This year's theme for the event is #PeopleCanDoIncredibleThings and will highlight the people, places and organizations that make Southern California a great place to live and work. "We are looking for creative people who want to share their energy and talents with others," says Maker Faire San Diego producer Cody Nelson. "We are inviting artists, musicians, engineers, craftsmen, entrepreneurs, students, teachers, businesspeople, comedians and creative people of all ages and backgrounds to inspire attendees with what we as humans can do."

For those passionate about their creations, exhibiting at Maker Faire San Diego is a must.

Ways you can participate:

- By showing off your project(s), to demo or discuss how you made them, and to inspire people to make (includes Individuals, Groups, Universities, Non-profits and Commercial Makers).
- By performing a scheduled performance, set lengths vary.
- By presenting a scheduled presentation, set lengths vary.
- As a sponsor or commercial maker, by selling your products or services.

Here are just some areas the event is seeking:

- Artists
- Engineers

- Robotics
- Hacked or Home-built Drones
- Arduino Projects
- Raspberry Pi
- Space Projects
- Food Makers (not concessionaires)
- Beer Makers
- Artisanal and Traditional Hand Crafts
- Conductive Materials Projects
- Kit Makers
- Interactive Art Projects
- 3D Printers and CNC Mills
- Textile Arts and Crafts
- E-Textiles
- Home Energy Monitoring
- Programming Languages (games, apps, etc.)
- Rockets and RC Toys
- Sustainability & Green Tech
- Radios, Vintage Computers and Game Systems
- Electronics
- Electric Vehicles
- Science, Biology, Biotech, and Chemistry Projects
- Puppets, Kites, and other Whimsical Creations
- Bicycles (and hacked bikes)
- Large-scale Art
- Shelter (tents, domes, etc.)
- Music Performances and Participation
- Unusual Tools or Machines
- How to Fix Things and/or Take them Apart (vacuums, clocks, washing machines, etc.)

To participate in Maker Faire San Diego, an entry form must be completed at <https://sandiego.makerfaire.com/makers/>. Entries can be submitted by individuals or by groups, such as hobbyist clubs and schools. The closing date for all entries is September 7, 2018. For more information, visit our website at <http://www.sandiego.makerfaire.com/>. Maker Faire San Diego is produced by The Balboa Park Cultural Partnership.

**ABOUT MAKER FAIRE:** Maker Faire is an award winning, family friendly event celebrating technology, education, science, arts, crafts, engineering, food, sustainability, and more. Maker Faire has become part of pop culture, a place for experiential marketing, debuting new technologies and inventions, and celebrating geekdom. Maker Media produces two annual flagship Maker Faires, partners with museums to produce Featured Maker Faires, and works with communities to license Mini Maker Faires around the world <http://makerfaire.com/>.

**HISTORY OF MAKER FAIRE:** The first Maker Faire launched in May 2006 in the San Francisco Bay Area and was quickly followed by Faires in Austin, Detroit and New York City, as well as others around the world. Technology has lowered the barriers to entry to becoming a Maker and this launched the Maker Movement which fuels Maker Faire. Maker Faire was designed to be forward-looking, showcasing Makers who are exploring new forms and new technologies. But it's not just for exhibiting what's new in technical fields—Maker Faire features innovation and experimentation across the spectrum of science, engineering, art, performance and craft.

ABOUT THE BALBOA PARK CULTURAL PARTNERSHIP: Balboa Park Cultural Partnership is a nonprofit organization through which 30 arts, science and cultural institutions in Balboa Park collaborate to achieve shared goals. By helping these groups achieve greater organizational efficiency, innovation and excellence, it seeks to contribute to the vitality and sustainability of Balboa Park. For more information visit [www.bpcp.org](http://www.bpcp.org).

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