

MEDIA RELEASE

## ART AND SCIENCE COMBINE THIS SUMMER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS at the MUSEUM OF APPLIED ARTS AND SCIENCES

Embrace the powers of technology to entertain, educate and inspire these school holidays with a host of events across the Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences (MAAS) venues; the Powerhouse Museum, Sydney Observatory and the Museums Discovery Centre (MDC). Immerse yourself in the wonders of teamLab's **Future Park** exhibition exclusive to the Powerhouse Museum. Dream up, design and build future communities, cars and colonies with the museum's collection as your inspiration and the chance to win a trip to Japan thanks to Toyota.

### Powerhouse Museum

**Learn & Play! teamLab Future Park** 24 November 2017 – 30 April 2018

Adults \$28 Concession \$22 Children \$17.30 Family Pass \$74, Members and kids under 4 free.

Tickets available from Ticketek from 10 November <http://premier.ticketek.com.au/>

*Future Park* is a playground that brings together science and imagination. The latest exhibition by Japanese art collective teamLab and the largest ever seen in Australia features eight interactive light installations in their Australian premiere.

*Future Park* images: [https://www.dropbox.com/sh/wamt3vlspl8j3pl3/AABjrQeKxEIS\\_9ztA2UeKUKa?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/sh/wamt3vlspl8j3pl3/AABjrQeKxEIS_9ztA2UeKUKa?dl=0)

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**Tinkertorium** 16 December 2017 – 29 January 2018, 10am – 5pm daily, free, Ages 6 – 12

Take your creativity to new heights as you collaborate with other museum visitors to build an installation in the Turbine Hall of the museum. Inspired by *Future Park* the Tinkertorium encourages kids to engage with engineering and architecture challenges, design cars and create moveable puppets and figures. Inventors can test their prototypes on a series of ramps and building zones.

**Toyota Dream Car Art Contest** onsite 16 Dec – 29 Jan, competition closes 1 March, 10am – 5pm daily, free, all ages

What will transport of the future look like? Toyota invite tomorrow's engineers, designers and creative thinkers to let their imagination run wild. Design a dream car that makes the world a better place for your chance to win a trip to Japan. Open to children aged 15 and under. Visit [toyota.com.au/dreamcar](http://toyota.com.au/dreamcar) for more information.

### Sydney Observatory

**Solar Inventions 9 – 12 January** 10am – 12pm and 1- 3pm, \$22/\$20 per child, Ages 7 – 12

Come learn about the power of the sun and its ability to help with technology in the future. View the sun through our special solar telescopes, make your own solar oven and see how solar energy can be applied in nature and in our day to day lives.

**Intergalactic Habitats** 15, 22, 23 January 10am – 12pm and 1- 3pm, \$22/\$20 per child, Ages 7 – 10

Is there life on Mars and what would it look like? How could scientists and astronauts settle on Mars? Explore these ideas as you create your own intergalactic terrariums to take home and ponder the planets.

### Museums Discovery Centre

**Mini Mechanics** 8 – 29 January 2018, 10am – 3pm, Free, Ages 6 – 12

Build your ultimate car of the future, taking inspiration from the museum's car collection and using tools such as LEGO and Meccano. From inspiration and research through to design and creation and finishing with a test drive your final creation.

**Kinetic Kids**, 10am – 12pm, 18, 19, 22 Jan \$22/\$20 per child Ages 7 – 10

Create a kinetic toy from scratch and take it home. Experiment with using motors, cogs and pulleys to learn how to make puppets, automata and mobiles. Compare your new toy to generations of toys in the museum's collection.

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School holiday images: <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/j3copid840yw0r5/AADAu1hsIhz9RDLhEERR6Z1Ea?dl=0>

**About the Museum of Arts and Applied Sciences.** Powerhouse Museum, alongside Sydney Observatory and Museums Discovery Centre, is part of the Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences (MAAS), Australia's contemporary museum for excellence and innovation in applied arts and sciences. MAAS has a vast and diverse collection of over 500,000 objects.