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EXHIBITION SUMMARY

Life is all around us, hidden in plain sight.

Explore extreme environments on Earth and gain perspective about the possibilities of life in our Solar System and beyond. Explore a microbial colony, navigate a rover, and use light to reveal faraway planets.

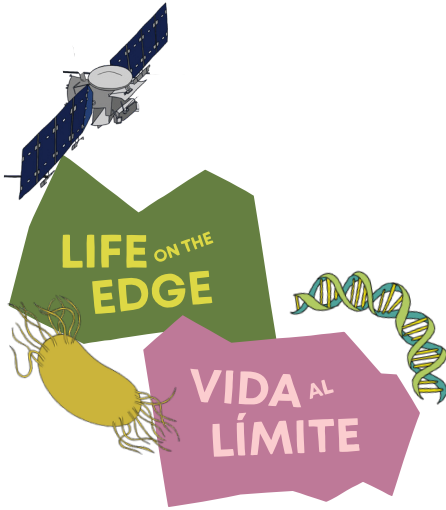
Learning Goals

- Astrobiologists study Earth to help them in the search for life in space
- Life is a dataset of 1—discovering life in space could change how we feel about our world
- Using new tools and technologies, we could discover habitable planets outside of our Solar System

BRANDING GUIDELINES

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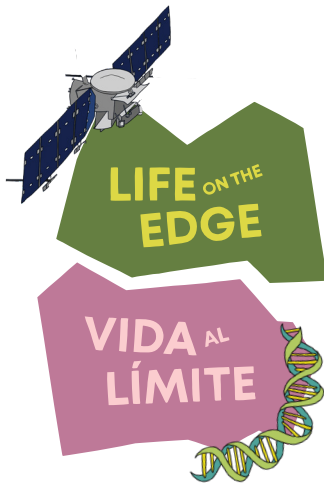
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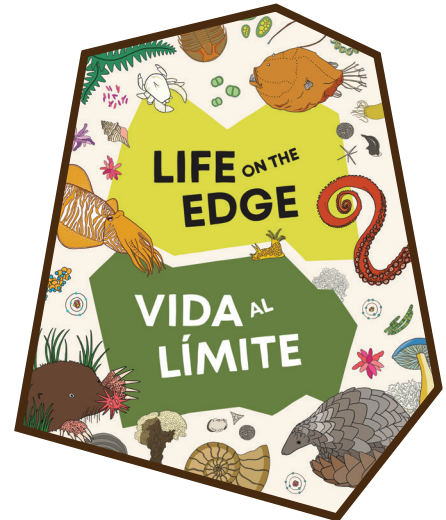
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Option 3 - Stacked Version



Option 4 - Graphic Panel Version



COLOR PALETTE



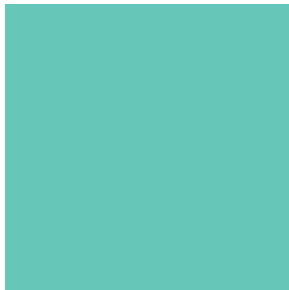
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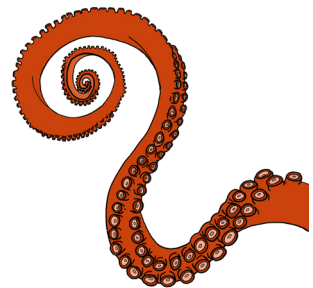
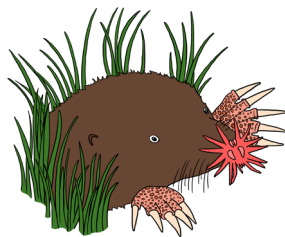
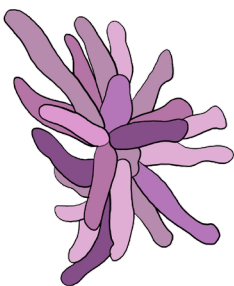
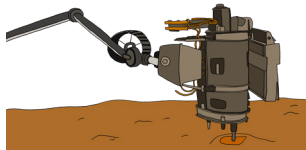
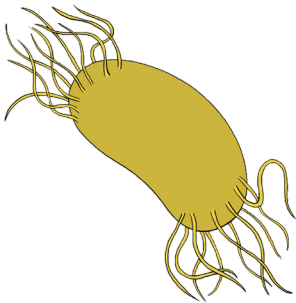
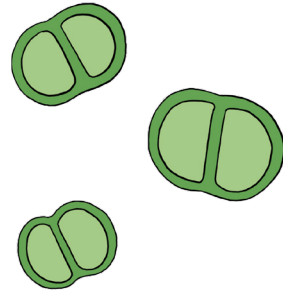
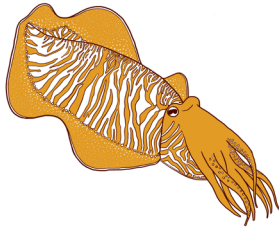
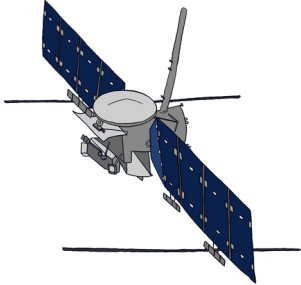
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DESIGN ELEMENTS

Illustrations



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PRESS MATERIALS

EXHIBITION OVERVIEW

100 WORDS (94)

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75 WORDS (71)

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50 WORDS (54)

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25 WORDS (23)

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EXHIBIT DESCRIPTIONS

ENTRY

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HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT

Understand how microbes contribute to nutrient cycling by using a movable video microscope to investigate a bacterial colony inside a Winogradsky panel and discover that the world is teeming with life that is often hidden in plain sight.

DISCOVERING BIOSIGNATURES

- Code a rover and experience what it is like to plan a route for a rover across the Atacama Desert. Scan the environment for signs of life like scientists did in preparation for the Perseverance mission.
- Discover the goal behind the Perseverance mission by using a microscope and UV light to analyze sample returns from Mars.
- Learn how fossils on Earth give us clues about life from long ago. Touch 490 million-year-old stromatolites from Saratoga Springs, NY.
- View a 1/10 scale detailed Perseverance Rover model, Ingenuity Helicopter model, and sample tube model.
- Examine samples of small fossils and fluorescent minerals on two monitors using a video microscope and a longwave UV light.

LIGHT REVEALS

- Make a selection on an interactive kiosk to light up spectral tubes (tubes of gas) and view them with diffraction lenses to see each gas' unique spectral lines.
- Observe how Earth is viewed with different types of light; Gamma, X-ray, Visible, and UV.
- Understand how scientists use the transit method to learn about exoplanets by setting a kinetic model of a solar system into motion and watching while a digital display shows dips of light as exoplanets pass in front of the light source.

EXHIBIT DESCRIPTIONS

ADAPTED FOR EXTREMES

- Explore realistic models of hydrothermal vent communities that include detailed replicas of black and white smoker vents, and discover the diversity of creatures living in the deep sea and how they survive.
- Graphic mural illustrates possible ways we might use spacecraft to explore faraway worlds like Europa and Titan.
- Build a creature from magnetic wooden blocks, and display your creation in an illuminated “alien world.”

PRESS RELEASE

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<Museum Name>

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE



DISCOVER EXTREME ENVIRONMENTS ON EARTH IN LIFE ON THE EDGE, OPENING AT <MUSEUM NAME> ON <DATE>

<CITY> <DATE> Discover new environments on Earth and in space at <museum name> starting on <DATE>! *Life on the Edge* is a new exhibition exploring extreme environments on Earth and expanding awareness of the possibilities for life in our Solar System and beyond. In *Life on the Edge*, visitors will discover that life is hidden in plain sight by exploring a colorful microbial colony, learning about the importance of our missions to Mars, investigating rover tests in the Atacama Desert, and using spectroscopy to detect what light reveals in faraway places.

At *Life on the Edge*, visitors will have the opportunity to understand how microbes contribute to nutrient cycling by using a movable video microscope to investigate a bacterial colony in a Winogradsky column and discover that the world is teeming with life that is often hidden in plain sight. They can also code a rover and experience what it is like to plan a route for a rover across the Atacama Desert and scan the environment for signs of life like scientists did in preparation for the Perseverance mission. Visitors will be able to explore realistic models of hydrothermal vent communities that include detailed replicas of black and white smoker vents, and discover the diversity of creatures living in the deep sea and how they survive. *Life on the Edge* helps people understand how scientists use the transit method to learn about exoplanets by setting a kinetic model of a solar system into motion and watching while a digital display shows dips of light as exoplanets pass in front of the light source.

Life on the Edge is produced by Sciencenter in partnership with The Spacecraft Planetary Image Facility (SPIF), and is made possible by the generous support of NASA. The exhibition is toured by Sciencenter, Ithaca, NY.

Life on the Edge will be on display through <DATE>.

Life on the Edge is sponsored locally by <SPONSOR>.

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PHOTOGRAPHY & CAPTIONS



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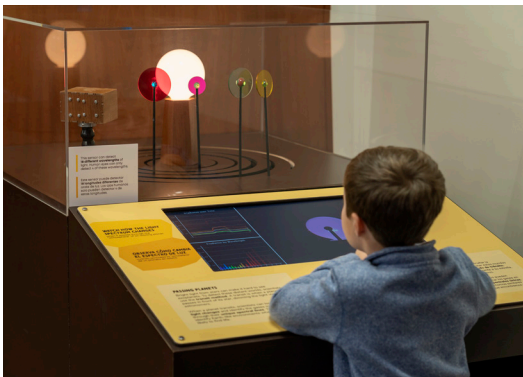
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ADVERTISING CREDITS

CREDIT LINES:

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GUIDELINES:

The credit line is to be used in all printed and digital materials: press releases and other announcements, advertising, website, media advisories, opening event invitations, membership newsletters and calendars, rack cards, and brochures. It is also to be used in speeches, educational and public programming materials, as well as, other materials promoting or referencing the Exhibition in more than name.

When space permits, as in a press release and on the website please add:
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NAME OF THE EXHIBITION:

On first reference: *Life on the Edge*

After first reference: *the Exhibition*

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Primary logo



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