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## THE THIRD ANNUAL SCIENCE FESTIVAL LAUNCHES IN KENORA

(**KENORA, ON**) – The Kenora Science Festival is back for its third annual festival of science, technology, and fun! Taking place in person from Monday, September 19 to Saturday, September 24. The Kenora Science Festival connects local partners and shines the spotlight on science among children, teens and adults by offering experiences that celebrate science in a fun, interactive and welcoming setting for all.

The Kenora Science Festival group of partners includes the City of Kenora, Matiowski Farmer's Market, IISD, Kenora Catholic District School Board, Lake of the Woods Brewing Company, Keewatin Patricia District School Board, The MUSE, Northwestern Ontario Innovation Centre, Confederation Lake of the Woods Campus, Bimose Tribal Council, Grand Council Treaty #3 and Science North as the managing partner.

Join your community for engaging, fun science events throughout the week including activities and programs sure to ignite imagination and big ideas. The week ends with the annual Science Carnival on September 24, featuring science and technology exhibits from festival partners and local organizations! Be sure to also check out the Indigenous Ingenuity exhibit now at the Kenora Discovery Centre <a href="sciencenorth.ca/indigenous-ingenuity">science events throughout the week including activities and programs sure to ignite imagination and big ideas. The week ends with the annual Science Carnival on September 24, featuring science and technology exhibits from festival partners and local organizations! Be sure to also check out the Indigenous Ingenuity exhibit now at the Kenora Discovery Centre <a href="sciencenorth.ca/indigenous-ingenuity">science and technology exhibits from festival partners and local organizations!</a>

The Kenora Science Festival is funded by Science Literacy Week and the NOSM Centre for Social Accountability. We're a proud partner of GenAction; a national initiative designed to inspire youth to become innovative leaders in climate action now, and into the future.

Science North Science Festivals are a proud member of the Science Festival Alliance, funding provided by Alfred P Sloan.

The full agenda can be found at sciencenorth.ca/kenorascifest and facebook.com/kenorascifest.

## **Quotes:**

"The Kenora Science Festival is a fun and educational experience for people of all ages. I encourage science enthusiasts from across the province to drop by this interactive event and be inspired by the technology and innovation on display. Ontarians who stay overnight can claim up to 20 per cent of eligible travel accommodation expenses through our Ontario Staycation Tax Credit."

- Neil Lumsden, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport

"I am thrilled to see the Kenora Science Festival return for a third year in a row with so many local partners involved in its execution," said **Greg Rickford**, **Minister of Northern Development and Minister of Indigenous Affairs and MPP for Kenora-Rainy River**. "This event offers an amazing experience for the people of Kenora to continue to learn and grow, and enjoy the wonders of science."

"We are beyond thrilled to bring the Kenora Science Festival back for its third year! The wonderful partnerships that exist in Kenora are key to hosting such fun and engaging Science Festivals. We are so grateful to be embraced by this community year over year and we hope you'll join us and our partners for a week of celebrating science, technology and innovation!"

— Ashley Larose, CEO, Science North

"Tourism Kenora is excited to partner with Science North for a third year on the week long Science Festival. This week is always great because Science North partners with many local businesses and visits many local schools on top of the permanent and traveling exhibits that are hosted at the Discovery Centre year after year. This year sounds like it will be bigger and better than the last with new and returning experiences."

- Helena Devins, Special Events Coordinator works, Tourism Kenora

"Kenora Science Festival is full of fun learning activities that enlighten and entertain both children and adults. For us at The Muse | Lake of the Woods Museum and Douglas Family Art Centre, it provides an opportunity to explore how and where art and science intersect and engage the public in that same process of discovery."

- Lori Nelson, Manager, The Muse

"The Northwestern Ontario Innovation Centre is excited to once again participate in Science North's Kenora Science Festival. The Kenora Science Festival provides a great opportunity for innovative science and technology-based businesses to showcase the amazing products and services that are being created right in our backyard!"

- Corey Jones, Regional Business Advisor, Northwestern Ontario Innovation Centre

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