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New Look, New Address  
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## REPORT TO OUR COMMUNITY & FALL CAMPAIGN APPEAL

OH WOW!® is a non-profit, world-class science center, tourist destination and anchor in the central square of downtown Youngstown with an economic impact in excess of \$30 million since our opening in May, 2011. With your help, we have become central to the education, entrepreneurship and manufacturing ecosystems in our region. On behalf of our Board of Directors, visitors, investors and contributors, staff, volunteers, collaborative partners and members, *Thank you!* We're excited to share our progress with you and look forward to our shared future!

### Meet our New Executive Director



Marvin L. Logan Jr., a Warren, Ohio, native is a Kent State University graduate, soon to receive his Master of Nonprofit Administration at University of Notre Dame. His goal is to further expand the reach of OH WOW!® to give students of all ages the opportunity to explore and

experience a potential future in STEM careers.

### Not So Fast, Suzanne

Suzanne Barbati has stepped into the role of Director of Planned Giving for OH WOW!®, looking toward the future of OH WOW!® and ensuring we have the resources to serve future generations of learners. She looks forward to talking with you about your future plans.

### Safety First

We took up the task of creating a safe environment for our explorers to find new discoveries inside of our museum. We opened our doors in a limited capacity in May 2021, and have served more than 12,000 explorers. Thank you for visiting and for telling your friends and family about us. We are currently open Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays and follow CDC guidelines.

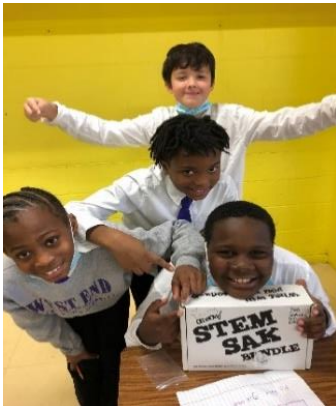


### We're Official!

On July 23, 2021, OH WOW!® received notification from the United States Patent and Trademark Office that our logo or "mark" has been approved. Our trademark is now registered and we may use the "®" symbol next to our logo as shown. We'll be sharing the updated logo with our partners.

### STEM SAKs Galore, thanks to your support!

Your WOW! Pals have designed, produced and distributed more than 100,000 STEM SAKs (Science Activity Kits) to educators and families since March 2020. These kits have been well-received and are available for individual or large scale groups.



*We received STEM SAKs for 3rd, 4th & 5th grade boys at the WEST END SCHOOL in Louisville, Kentucky. The 5th Grade boys break up in small groups of three to four — and are totally engaged.... The most ooh's and aah's came from the Play Dough Conductivity STEM SAK. When the light shined, so did their eyes. They were amazed and proud of their accomplishments. Thank you, so much Oh WOW!*

-Mary Bellino, WES Volunteer

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**Completed Exhibits!**

**Lego Table, thanks to Fireline, Inc.**

**Sensory Sensitive Room, thanks to The Youngstown Foundation**



The National Center for Earth and Space Science Education has approved Youngstown, Ohio as an Emerging Site for a Mark II model exhibition of our solar system, led by OH WOW!® and funded in part by The Community Foundation of Mahoning Valley.



OH WOW!®, with YSU Ward Beecher Planetarium, Youngstown CityScape, Eastgate Regional Council of Governments, Youngstown City Schools and The City of Youngstown will bring a new outdoor interactive experience to Youngstown. The exhibition's 13 stanchions will begin at OH WOW!® on Central Square and end near Ward Beecher Planetarium. Additional sponsorship opportunities are available.

**OH WOW!® DAY! FREE ADMISSION**

**Friday, December 3, sponsored by**

**10am-2pm – Free Tours & Exploration, 125 visitors**

**4pm-6pm – Free Tours & Exploration, 125 visitors**

**Masks required in accordance with CDC Guidelines**



**Outreach**

Mr. Ralf and your WOW! Pals are having a lot of fun facilitating EDUtainment during outreach activities throughout our community. It is important work!

Play is a child's work and this is not a trivial pursuit.

— Alfred Adler —

Call 330-744-5914 to schedule your event.



**Science of Brewing & Silly Science Sunday in September**

**Science of Brewing** was held on Friday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021, with 300 guests and sponsors wow'd by experiments from 13 brewing and culinary partners. We're thankful for Lisa Resnick & Ellie Platt and their entire committee, as well as our title sponsor, First National Bank. Their efforts resulted in net proceeds of \$40,000 for local EDUtainment programs. **Mark your calendar and plan to attend next year: August 12, 2022.**

**Silly Science Sunday in September** was a huge success, thanks to Colleen Ruby and committee members. Held on Sunday, September 19, this year's in-person event featured hands-on exploration, exciting demonstrations, and engaging shows for more than 2,000 explorers in downtown Youngstown. The FREE event was made possible by Associated School Employees Credit Union, our title sponsor and many others, including 30+ exhibitors and local food trucks. **Mark your calendar and plan to attend next year: September 18, 2022.**

**Thanks for supporting OH WOW!®**

Please consider supporting OH WOW!® and the thousands of students, families and educators that we serve. OH WOW!® accepts many types of donations, including cash, stocks and more. Once you make a contribution to OH WOW!®, you'll receive a tax receipt. With your help, we have become central to the education, entrepreneurship, and manufacturing ecosystems in our region. *Thank you!* We look forward to our shared future!

The future is WOW!®, because of you and your commitment to our mission. Thank you!  
Your continued commitment will ensure world-class EDUtainment for generations to come.

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Fall Campaign 2021

Name: (as you'd like it to appear on recognition materials)

Address, City, State, Zip:

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To donate online, via credit card or on recurring basis, please visit [ohwowkids.org](http://ohwowkids.org) and click on "Give Today"

\*For the 2021 tax year, an individual who does not itemize deductions can deduct up to \$300 (\$600 in the case of a joint return) in charitable contributions made during the tax year. **Thank you!**

PLEASE CHECK HERE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO SUZANNE ABOUT YOUR FUTURE PLANS.