PROGRAM

October 29, 2020

CELEBRATE
SCIENCE AND
INSPIRATION
We are asking all of our viewers at home to join us in a fun, interactive science experiment using simple household materials. This activity will be led by NYSCI Explainers in English and Spanish. Please be sure to have the following items handy if you would like to participate:

- Clear Glass or Jar
- Effervescent Tablets (like Alka-Seltzer)
- Food Coloring
- Cooking Oil
- Water
- Plastic Spiders/Eyeballs (optional)
- Glitter (optional)
- Flashlight (optional)
Thursday, October 29, 2020

6 pm Eastern Time — Online Event Begins

Join us online! Click here to watch.

Welcome
Margaret Honey, Ph.D.
President & CEO, New York Hall of Science

Special Address
Anthony S. Fauci, M.D.
Director of NIAID

Science Career Ladder Program Introduction
Priya Mohabir
SVP, Youth Development and Museum Culture,
New York Hall of Science

Selina Mangaroo
Developer, Whirl-i-Gig and Explainer Alumni

Seidenberg Family Top of the Ladder Award
Jessica Garcia
Senior Explainer, New York Hall of Science

Science Moment
Jessica Garcia and Jeffrey Macuil
Senior Explainers, New York Hall of Science

Community Programming Introduction
The Hernandez Family

Past Gala Honorees Retrospective
Melissa Vail
Co-Chair, New York Hall of Science

Introduction of 2021 Honorees
Francisco D’Souza
Co-Chair, New York Hall of Science

Thank You and Good Night
SEIDENBERG FAMILY TOP OF THE LADDER AWARD

Jessica Garcia

Since the beginning of the program, more than 4,000 students have worked as Explainers at NYSCI, moving up the Science Career Ladder toward successful careers in STEM. Ninety-five percent of Explainers go on to college and 70 percent pursue careers in STEM. This award celebrates the work that all Explainers do, and most importantly, recognizes individuals who go above and beyond to support NYSCI’s mission.

Jessica Garcia has participated in the Science Career Ladder for seven years. Working her way from Explainer Trainee at age seventeen to a Senior Explainer today, Jessica has contributed to the growth and development of those around her, while developing her own leadership skills and unique teaching style. Jessica graduated from Hunter College this past spring with two Bachelor degrees in Childhood Education and Media Studies. Through the QUEST Undergraduate Program, she had the opportunity to learn and work in elementary schools citywide. In addition to teaching, she is an avid creator and performer, eager to master new tools and offer an imaginative perspective. She hopes to move people to action and foster a more inclusive atmosphere in education and beyond.
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