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## Are you ready for National Science and Technology Week?

OTTAWA, October 9, 2013 – In its role as National Coordinator, the Canada Science and Technology Museums Corporation (CSTMC) and its museums will again be at the centre of the National Science and Technology Week (NSTW) activities taking place across Canada, from October 18 to 27.

Canada has a rich tradition of scientific achievement and technological innovation, and today's young inquisitive minds prepare to build on this strong foundation to realize the promise of future discoveries. The NSTW is the occasion to celebrate our past successes, and to pave the road to our future success.

The NSTW will try to make history once again with an attempt to surpass the [Guinness World Record](#) set last year for the world's largest practical science lesson, which will take place simultaneously throughout the country as well as at the CSTM. Last year's record-setting lesson saw over 13,000 participants experimenting the Bernoulli principle. This year's practical science lesson will focus on the gravity and atmosphere differences between Earth, the Moon, and Mars using paper airplanes. There's still time for schools, science centres, and other group venues to join the record-breaking attempt, information on how to register and proceed can be found on [science.gc.ca](http://science.gc.ca).

The NSTW will also be the occasion for the achievements of great Canadian scientific minds to be honoured with the annual induction into the [Canadian Science and Engineering Hall of Fame](#) at the CSTM on October 22. Three outstanding Canadian scientists will be joining the exclusive group of 54 previous inductees this year.

Throughout the week, the CSTMC's Museums will offer a science-packed agenda of activities for all ages.

Come to the CSTM to build giant marble runs, take part in gooey chemistry experiments, or gaze at the Moon, Sun and Stars through the Helen Sawyer Hogg Observatory's telescopes, attend robotics demonstrations, or learn from some of the best Rubik's cube solvers in the country. Find out more about all the activities at [sciencetech.technomuses.ca](http://sciencetech.technomuses.ca).

Visit the Canada Agriculture and Food Museum (CAFM) to compare the gluten contents of different types of flour, discover the science involved in cheese-making, make some “eggs-periments”, and see farm technology in action. Find the complete activity schedule at [cafmuseum.techno-science.ca](http://cafmuseum.techno-science.ca).

At the Canada Aviation and Space Museum (CASM), K’Nex building activities will showcase the importance of structure in aerospace design. Guided tours will allow visitors to understand the evolution of aircraft technology. Demonstrations of ejection seats will highlight the role technology plays in saving lives. Find the complete programming schedule at [aviation.technomuses.ca](http://aviation.technomuses.ca).

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