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Two Weeks Remain to Enjoy
Summer Camps at SC State
Museum

Columbia, S.C. – Summer day camps continue at the South Carolina State Museum with the focus on science, fun and learning in the upcoming weeks.

“Mad Science of Columbia has returned to the State Museum with its wonderful array of science camps for children ages 5 to 12,” said State Museum Director of Operations Meika Samuel. “All summer long, children have had the chance to build their own flying machines and robots, go on a dinosaur dig, learn the secrets of being a spy, and other exciting adventures, and that fun will continue through Aug. 12.”

New this year is “Grossology,” an exclusive camp offered by Mad Science only at the State Museum! Children can learn about the disgusting side of science with some of the slimiest, stinkiest and downright yuckiest creatures on earth, and then explore the *Animal Grossology* exhibit based on the best-selling children’s book series by author/science teacher Sylvia Branzei.

“Red Hot Robots” is offered as a half-day camp or a two-part, all-day combo camp Aug. 1 – 5. Kids will learn about the science of robots and how they are used in our world, and also will build their own robots to take home.

From Aug. 8 – 12, “Grossology,” “Dynamic Dinos,” and “Crazy Chemworks” are offered as half-day camps. Junior paleontologists will investigate the habits, needs and characteristics of dinosaurs while exploring the fossilization process in “Dynamic Dinos.”

In “Crazy Chemworks,” campers will explore the chemistry of everyday life with dry ice, pH testing, glowing chemicals, sticky polymers, beakers and flasks.

“Grossology” and “Crazy Chemworks” may be combined as an all-day combo camp.

Cost of each camp is \$105 general public, \$85 State Museum members. Before and after camp care also is available.

For more information and to register, call Mad Science of Columbia at (803) 739-2122 or visit its Web site at www.madscience.com/columbia.

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CUTLINE FOR STATE MUSEUM SUMMER CAMPS

For two more weeks, kids in grades 1-5 can have fun learning about robots, dinosaurs, chemicals and more at the Mad Science summer camps at the South Carolina State Museum. Flying machines and gross animal behavior are also to be found in one of four different camps at the museum.

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