



ULTIMO SCIENCE FESTIVAL

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Ultimo Science Festival: Think WOW!

Harris Street will be bubbling up and frothing over from August 21 to 30 for the fourth annual Ultimo Science Festival held as part of National Science Week. There'll be day and night events, school sessions, family and kids events, pub events, talks and forums for everyone. It's not just for geeks, scientists and students (though they'll be there), it's for everybody!

Ultimo Science Festival's four organisers, the Powerhouse Museum, the ABC, Ultimo TAFE and UTS, Sydney, have created an adventurous, and mostly free, program for those not afraid to put their thinking caps on.

Newcomers to the festival must not miss: the Big Night of Science at the Powerhouse Museum, two Adults Only "Dark Science" nights, The ABC's Family Science Fun Day (and live broadcast by Simon Marnie), Twilight Sidewalk Astronomy, Scinema, the New Inventors, the Surfing Scientist and the ever-popular Speed Meet and Greet a Geek event.

Festival patron, *Catalyst's* Paul Willis, is looking forward to the event. "I'm still trying to get my head around it – there's so much going on – it's going to be a hoot! The festival is jam-packed with great science stuff for kids, students and families, plus some good meaty talks too. We're expecting huge crowds."

National Science Week is Australia's largest festival with around 600 events held around the country, around 700,000 participants.

Visit www.ultimosciencefestival.com or www.scienceweek.info.au

Ultimo Science Festival is a National Science Week event and runs from August 21 to 30. This initiative is supported by the City of Sydney and the Australian Government through the Department of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research.

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