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Free District-Wide STEAM Showcase with National Geographic Explorer Keynote Speaker!

(Los Alamitos, CA) – Do you want to be inspired and have a ton of fun? Come out to the 4th annual District-Wide STEAM Showcase on Saturday, May 19! It will take place from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Los Alamitos High School Gym. It is open to the public and admission is free of charge.

At the STEAM Showcase, students of all ages will present their projects and have their work on display for all to see. The Showcase will feature a keynote presentation from Shah Selbe, National Geographic Explorer and Stanford educated engineer and conservationist. STEAM professionals will also be on-hand to provide interactive booths that will introduce students to career opportunities. Snacks and drinks will be provided to round out the morning fun!

The Los Alamitos Education Foundation (LAEF) is continuing its work with the schools and students of the Los Alamitos Unified School District by providing free STEAM classes, STEAM Fairs at all schools, and sponsoring a district-wide STEAM showcase! The LAEF STEAM Initiative is funded by generous donations to the 2017-18 King and Queen of Hearts campaign, which ended on February 24 at the coronation gala and raised a record \$210,000. LAEF also received generous

funding from the Andeavor Foundation in the amount of \$20,000, which supports the Middle School Robotics program and STEAM initiative.

The participation in the LAEF STEAM Fairs continues to grow each year. It gives hundreds of students the opportunity to display and present inspiring projects to their peers. McAuliffe and Oak Middle Schools held their STEAM Fairs last month and Los Alamitos High School will hold their STEAM Fair on Friday, May 18. The elementary school STEAM Fairs begin on May 17 at Rossmoor Elementary, and all others will take place by the end of the month.

LAEF is the non-profit partner of Los Alamitos Unified School District. LAEF enhances educational excellence by providing after-school and summer enrichment programs to children in grades Pre-K to 12. LAEF impacts all students by providing significant funding for STEAM teachers and instruction, as well as igniting new programs and providing valuable resources. For more information, call (562) 799-4700 Ext. 80424 or email info@LAEF4kids.org today!

Oak Middle School students present their electric skateboard to teacher Morgan Martin during the STEAM Fair.

