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## ScienceWorks Entrance Gets a Face Lift

### ASHLAND, OREGON

Construction has begun on a new front entry and outdoor exhibit at ScienceWorks Hands-on Museum. Over the next month, with support from an anonymous donor, work will be done to replace broken tile, add new seating, lighting, eating areas and colorful walkways. In addition, ScienceWorks is replacing the current *Climb Through Time* climbing wall with a longer, more challenging wall.

As attendance at the regional science center increases, ScienceWorks has been faced with the need for greater capacity for outdoor activities and eating areas. The new plans increase the number of picnic tables in shaded areas, a necessity as temperatures soar in the summer, and offer parents a sense of security with new fencing along the parking lot.

The construction will take place in two phases. Phase 1 has already begun and will be completed by August 24th. It will include placing the foundation of the new *Climb Through Time* wall, reconfiguring seating and lighting for visitor comfort, and color enhancements to the current walkways.

Phase 2 will start August 25th through September 9th with the repair of seating and walkways near the front entrance. The majority of the 2nd phase will take place while the museum is closed for annual maintenance, September 8 - 11.

ScienceWorks has been consulting with the Ausland Group to create the new improvements and both groups are thrilled to see months of planning become a reality.

ScienceWorks is open every day from 10 am to 6 pm during the construction. Museum admission is \$8 for children ages 2 – 12 and seniors 65 and older, and \$10 for teens and adults. For more information about events and programs ScienceWorks has to offer, go to [www.scienceworksmuseum.org](http://www.scienceworksmuseum.org).

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*ScienceWorks Hands-On Museum is a non-profit educational science center that has been serving the Rogue Valley region since 2002. Located at 1500 East Main Street in Ashland, the museum is home to more than 100 exhibits, and hosts themed weekends, and ongoing fun, educational, science programs for all ages year-round. For more information, call (541) 482-6767 or visit [www.scienceworksmuseum.org](http://www.scienceworksmuseum.org).*