



The MakerPlace Family Workshops 2016-2017 FAQ

What is the MakerPlace?

The MakerPlace is a hands-on maker lab produced in partnership between Kentucky Science Center and Girl Scouts of Kentuckiana Council. Participants are encouraged to join in the Maker movement through design, building, tinkering, experimenting and inventions.

What is the Maker Movement?

The maker movement is a trend in which individuals or groups of individuals create and market products that are recreated and assembled. The movement is touted as a break from consumerism where makers focus on learning and exploring how to make, fix-up, repair and personally create the things that they want or need. Our MakerPlace allows anyone to experiment and tinker with anything and everything...the sky is the limit!

What are the different sessions?

We have three different formats this season: Let's Make a Thing, Open Meeting and Making and Girl Scout Workshops.

-Let's Make a Thing: The focus of this workshop is that every participant is on the same particular project. This workshop is great for new makers who are uncertain of the Maker movement and what to test the waters!

(Saturdays 1:00-3:00 PM: Fall- October 1, November 12, and December 3.)

-Open Meeting and Making: The focus of this workshop is more exploratory and a centralized meeting place for newly curious and seasoned makers alike. This program is great for inspiring children with the Maker movement. Participants are strongly encouraged to come to learn a new skill or bring in-progress projects to these meetings for additional support and access of all that Maker Place has to offer.

(Sundays 1:00-3:00PM – October 23, November 20)

-Girl Scout LMT: The focus of this workshop is to create a journey or badge aligned session to the monthly themed Let's Make a Thing.

(Saturdays 1:00-3:00PM – October 22, December 10)

- THIS FORMAT IS DISCONTINUED: *Girls Only Maker Club:* This workshop is perfect to hone maker skills or learn a brand new skill as a collective group. Themes will be listed on the websites at kysciencecenter.org.

How to register for the MakerPlace?

Please Kentucky Science Center website <http://kysciencecenter.org/kids/makerplace/> to register for any of the sessions prior to attending the session. We are unable to take payment onsite. If arrive prior to program start time, you will be directed to an online payment system.

For additional information, call Mira Gentry Johnson at 502-560-7126

What age youth are the sessions designed for?

The sessions are designed for any youth (girls and boys) in grades 3rd and up.

Are parents allowed to attend?

YES! One parent or adult is included in the admission cost. It is not required to have one adult with every child participant but is required that every child have an adult lead. Multiple children can be attended by the same adult.

How much is registration and when is it due?

There is a registration fee that is required upon online or phone registration to the event for any youth in grades 3rd -8th. One adult admission is included in this cost for Let's Make a Thing, Open Meeting and Making and Girls Only Maker Club sessions.

Registration fees vary depending on workshop:

Let's Make a Thing: \$20 per child/one adult

Open Meeting and Making: \$15 per child/one adult

Girls Scout Let's Make a Thing Workshop: \$20 per child/one adult

What about adding another participant?

Additional Adult: \$5 per adult

Additional Child: Is the same as another registration as the supplies are designed for a collaborative child/adult experience.*

*You do not have to bring another adult for this registration, but it is included for the Let's Make a Thing and the Girls Only Maker Club sessions.

What do participants need to bring?

Parents, Adults and youth are not required to bring anything other than enthusiastic attitude and desire to tinker. You are welcome to bring in your own projects to the Open Meeting and Making sessions.

What time should we arrive for check-in?

Participants can arrive 15 minutes prior to session start times. Sessions will start promptly at designated time.

Will food be provided?

No, please make plans to eat prior to or after these sessions.

Can my group book a MakerPlace session?

Yes, we can accommodate group bookings such as a class/lab or even a private scout group with a month notice. Stay tuned for more updates on mobile programming. If interested please contact Mira Gentry Johnson, Manager of Fee-Based and Offsite Initiatives at 502-560-7126 for more information.

- Classes – 90 minutes \$200 for up to 20 students
- Labs – 3 hours \$300 for up to 20 students
- Classes and Lab topics: Introduction to Making, Engineering, Coding, E-textiles.
- Maker experiences SAYS: Offsite Class, Offsite Lab, Teacher Professional Development, DYO Maker Expo at your own Maker space!

Do you offer Birthday Parties?

Yes! We do offer a one of a kind birthday experience. Please contact Kasey Brown, Coordinator of Fee-Based and Catalyst Programs, at 502-560-7156 for more information on the MakerPlace birthday party package.