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**New Summer Blockbuster at the Travelers Science Dome
EXTREME PLANETS Premieres June 20**

WEST HARTFORD, Conn., June 11, 2009 – The Children's Museum is premiering the summer's next box office hit, *Extreme Planets*, on **Saturday June 20, 2009 at 7:30 pm** in the Travelers Science Dome theater. This full-dome digital planetarium show takes viewers on an immersive journey to exotic planets with multiple suns, watery landscapes, and gushing volcanoes.

The *Extreme Planets* premiere is part of the Museum's Summer Solstice Celebration. At this special evening event for kids and families, guests can also view the night sky with telescopes, enjoy s'mores around a bonfire, and make family crafts.

This event is open to the public and appropriate for all ages. Admission to the event is \$8 per person for members of The Children's Museum and \$10 per person for non-members. Register by email at Events@TheChildrensMuseumCT.org or by telephone at 860.231.2830 x44.

Extreme Planets is produced by Clark Planetarium and narrated by Rene Auberjonois (*Boston Legal*, *Star Trek: Deep Space Nine*). The Travelers Science Dome's Spitz HB full-dome digital projection system displays a brilliant seamless image over the entire 40-foot dome. Powerful images and digital sound surrounds the audience providing an immersive experience, making audience members feel like they are moving through the solar system.

"Extreme Planets" will be showing at the Travelers Science Dome throughout the summer. The complete schedule is available at www.TheChildrensMuseumCT.org.

The Children's Museum offers over 100 live animals, hands-on science exhibits, out-of-this-world digital planetarium shows, and programs for younger children and families. With over 210,000 visitors annually, it is one of Connecticut's top museum attractions. The Children's Museum is located at 950 Trout Brook Drive in West Hartford and at Roaring Brook Nature Center in Canton. More information is available at www.TheChildrensMuseumCT.org.

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