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### Science After Hours: Fright@Night Returns Friday, October 28 to Kick Off Halloween Weekend at The Franklin Institute

A dash of mischief and a splash of intrigue on tap for this eerie night of tricks and treats for adults 21+

**PHILADELPHIA, PA September 15, 2022—Science After Hours: Fright@Night** is back by popular demand to kick off Halloween weekend on **Friday, October 28 from 7:30 pm-11 pm**. Tickets are now on sale, and costumes are highly encouraged for the delightfully frightful bash for adults 21+ that includes all access to TFI’s exhibits, six cash bars for haunting spirits and tasty bites, an event-exclusive limited-edition lapel pin, plus rooftop stargazing, and a lineup of bone-rattling performances guaranteed to deliver all the shocks, chills and gasps that will leave guests howling for more, including:

- Extreme fire breathing, unusual sword swallowing, and other must-see sensational acts from Philly sideshow performer **Mackenzie Moltov**, alongside co-founders of the *Squidling Brother’s Circus Sideshow* **Jelly Boy the Clown** and **Matterz Squidling**, will take guests to the edge of their seats.
- Guests can then deep dive into the evening’s sideshow acts when adventurer and physician author of “The Unseen Body” **Dr. Johnathan Reisman** and TFI’s Chief Bioscientist **Dr. Jayatri Das** take to the “That’s Gross!” stage.
- The eerie and hypnotic sounds of concert thereminist **Mano Divina** will pulse through the museum as he bends electricity with his hands in an uncanny yet magical amalgamation of science and music.
- Plus, dancing in the Fels Planetarium to the sounds of **DJ Carl Michaels**, Drag Bingo at the hands of Philly’s glamorous ghoul of drag, **Onyx Ondyx**, and live snakes with a collection of mysterious creatures, onsite courtesy of **Rowan University**.

**Science After Hours** takes place quarterly in April, June, October, and December, from 7:30 pm - 11 pm. Tickets are \$40 in advance at [www.fi.edu](http://www.fi.edu); \$45 at the door. Member tickets are \$35. The event is for adults 21+ only. Costumes are encouraged; no full-face coverings or weapons for [Science After Hours: Fright@Night](#).

**NOTE TO EDITORS:** [PRESS KIT WITH PHOTOS](#)

#### About The Franklin Institute

Located in the heart of Philadelphia, The Franklin Institute is a renowned and innovative leader in science and technology learning and a dynamic center of activity. As Pennsylvania’s most visited museum, it is dedicated to creating a passion for learning about science by offering access to hands-on science education. For more information, visit [www.fi.edu](http://www.fi.edu).