



THE CHICAGO COUNCIL ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

YEAR IN REVIEW 2017 - 2018



Leadership Message



Welcome to the 2017 – 18 Chicago Council on Science and Technology annual review. We are proud to live in a city with world class institutions and where groundbreaking work takes place. We feature researchers, thinkers, and innovators from institutions across Chicagoland, and introduce their work to members of the public from all walks of life.

We would like to give special thanks to Illinois Tool Works Foundation, the John and Jeanne Rowe Foundation, and the Brinson Foundation for their continued financial support. We would also like to thank our newest supporter, the Astellas USA Foundation.

Here at C2ST we have continued to expand the programming offered by trying different formats, venues, and media. Thanks to these efforts, the 2017-2018 fiscal year had the highest number of programs to date. One of our feature programs was a lecture in partnership with the Field Museum to mark our tenth anniversary, the highlights of which are available on our YouTube channel (and on page eight). We also continued our partnership with The Leakey Foundation and participation in different STEM festivals

such as the March for Science Chicago and the Brookfield Zoo's Party for the Planet. You can read about our program highlights on pages four and five.

We have continued to expand our programs for the 2018-2019 fiscal year and one of our new formats includes a collaboration with the Chicago Parks District, as well as a new series, "Science in the Parks." This partnership will include new venues such as Horner Park and the South Shore Cultural Center and will promote programs that are family friendly. We have also revitalized our Science + Cinema initiative and will work in partnership with Columbia College.

Thank you to everyone for helping us to make this a successful year. Your support is vital to science outreach in the Chicagoland area and we look forward to seeing you at our upcoming programs.



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Why C2ST Matters to Me



"C2ST serves as a vital resource to our community for perpetuating knowledge about the importance of science and technology in our daily lives. It is easy to take for granted special medications, diagnostic tests, cell phones, alternative sources of energy and more – but decades of research have been devoted to these advancements that allow us to enjoy the fruits of dedicated scientists. Now, we have a responsibility to train the next generation of innovators, and C2ST plays a major role in this noble goal." **Mary J.C. Hendrix, President, Shepherd University**



"It has been a pleasure for The Leakey Foundation to work with the Chicago Council on Science and Technology to create programs that educate the public about science. Since we first began co-sponsoring programs with C2ST in 2016, our partnership has grown not only in the number and type of events that we produce, but also in the diversity of audiences we reach. It is wonderful to have found a partner whose mission is aligned with our own and whose staff and leadership is so dedicated. The Leakey Foundation looks forward to co-sponsoring upcoming programs with C2ST as we strive to offer Chicagoans quality educational opportunities that inform and inspire." **Sharal Camisa, Executive Director, The Leakey Foundation**



"C2ST has been instrumental in advancing the public's understanding of science. The programs are always fun and engaging and meet the needs of those in every age group. I have enjoyed volunteering for C2ST for several years and look forward to helping them spread science knowledge for many more years." **Zuri McClelland, Support Viurtual Lab Manager and Operations Specialist HappiLabs.org**

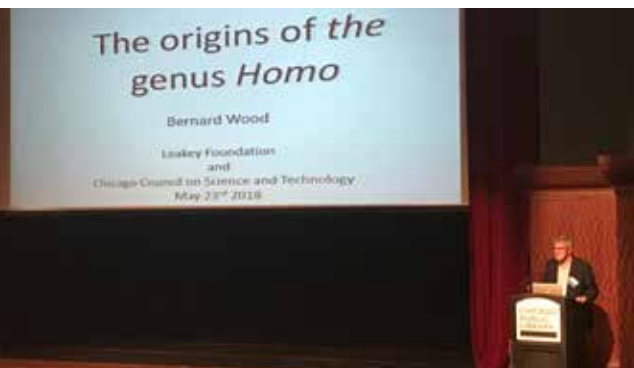
Program Highlights

Our 10th year as an organization saw our biggest programming year, yet! With 32 public STEM programs, we had something new to learn for even the most well-rounded science connoisseur. In the fall of 2017 our topics ranged from museum collections, to baking with math, to mental health, to the new frontiers of physics. Our spring of 2018 calendar boasted several high school and science fair events, a mishmash of science and comedy, an

event on the future of trees, the present and future of personalized medicine, and that's just to name a few! This year we truly had something for everyone!



You can find these and many of our other programs on our YouTube channel: youtube.com/user/C2STvideos



Bernard Wood, Ph.D., and professor at George Washington University surveyed the history of attempts to find the earliest members of the genus Homo.



C2ST Staff and volunteers ran a booth at **Fermilab's 50th Anniversary Open House**.



Our **Women in STEM** annual event this year focused on unconscious bias. We heard from experts from the academic, industry, and government points of view.



With our **"New Developments of Mental Health"** program we highlighted a topic that has been much in the public mind. The three panelists showed us the up-to-date research on an important and diverse topic.



Women in STEM annual event



Lance Grande, PhD, of The Field Museum, regaled our audience with stories of daring acquisitions in the exciting world of specimen and artifact wrangling.



Our first program in partnership with the **Morton Arboretum** focused on the effects of climate change on our nation's trees and how Illinois will be affected.



Researchers from Fermilab showed us the smallest of marvels and recorded one of our most popular programs this year. The frontiers of physics never looked so bright!



A **panel of industry, clinical and research experts** filled us in on the ever-evolving topic of personalized medicine.

Science in a Bottle



Thank you to everyone who supported us at the **C2ST Lagunitas Social**. It was a fun evening filled with laughter, networking, prizes, great craft beer and delicious tacos! The evening was emceed by C2ST's Artist in Residence and writer/producer, science

commentator and all-around funnyman, Aaron Freeman. We had almost 100 of Chicago's greatest science enthusiasts (in our opinion!) mingle and make cross-disciplinary connections at THE TapRoom at Lagunitas Brewing Company.

Science Communication

The 2018 fiscal year was studded with amazing moments of science communication for C2ST. We heard from leaders in Chicago's outreach community on why we do and communicate science and how the arts can help in those efforts. We also expanded our science communication

efforts by reaching out to schools, teaching STEM professionals to communicate through comedy, and presenting an analysis of our findings at an international conference.



In June of 2018 C2ST was invited to speak at career day for the **CPS Columbia Explorers Academy** in Chicago's the Brighton Park neighborhood. The students were attentive, bright, and thoughtful enough to give us thank you cards!



Bridget Coughlin, PhD, the president and CEO of the Shedd Aquarium, presented about the research going on at the Shedd and the importance of science communication.



Eugenia Cheng, PhD, used an audience member to demonstrate that math really is "As Easy as Pi."



José Francisco Salgado, PhD, employed awe-inspiring footage of the Northern Lights and orchestral music to communicate about celestial science.

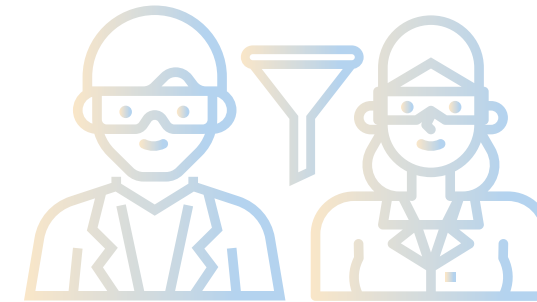


In the spring of 2018 we partnered with **Science Riot** to teach Chicago STEM professionals to translate their work into a short comedy routine. A group of ten very brave STEMers performed before a paying live audience...twice!

You, The Scientist

The Importance of Citizen Science Programs

April 19, 2018 blog post on c2st.org
By Kristen Witte



Citizen Science – no lab coat necessary

Throughout history, citizens have been critical to moving scientific discovery forward. More recently, scientists enlisted everyday subway travelers to swab the surfaces of the New York City subway system in the hopes of mapping microbial diversity throughout the city. Strikingly, the citizen collected data revealed that this interconnected system of trains has a unique microbial signature at each and every station (Afshinnekoo 2015). The sheer volume of data collected would have been inaccessible without these volunteer citizen scientists.

Not only can citizen scientists reveal unknown stories of the world around us, they can have a substantial impact on social policy. Decades of bird-watching hobbyists collected sufficient data to reveal in 1997 the impact of climate change on a myriad species of birds' nesting behaviors (Crick 1997).

The results from that study were used as evidence in the Kyoto Protocol to establish that climate change was already having an effect on wildlife, even if humans had yet to feel it (Cooper 2016).

The democratization of science

While citizen science is by no means new, the open science movement and the emergence of the Internet of Things drove its rejuvenation (Bonney 2009). Indeed, the expansion of open source publishing and data outlets (i.e. eLife, PLOS, Github, etc.) inspired a new wave of science that blurs the authoritative binary of "scientist and non-scientist" (Graybeal 2013; Saraga 2016). In this newly embraced reality, everyone is a scientist regardless of personal, geographical, or socioeconomic background (Garbarino 2016). And that is a really good thing.

Citizen science programs have the potential to reverse the diminution of science by creating inclusive and meaningful experiences where everyone identifies with and has a stake in the scientific enterprise (Garbarino 2016). To reinvigorate science as the forerunner to solving our most pressing social issues, it is our responsibility to intimately involve those who scientific advancement directly benefits – everyone.

– Kristen is a newly-minted Ph.D. with an insatiable curiosity for all things science – the more complex and interconnected the better. While they spent the past 6 years experimenting on the beer-producing, bread-making cells called yeast, they are now pursuing their passion to cultivate enthusiasm for scientific curiosity in the general public. You can find them nerding out at museums, the library, or other C2ST events.

References: check the full blog post on www.c2st.org/blog/

Venues Matter

Using data from the last four years, we were able to show that offering programs in different neighborhoods of Chicago has diversified our audience in terms of age, education level, and ethnicity.

These results were presented by our Board representative, Jessica Turner-Scoff, PhD, at the 2018 international Public Communication of Science and Technology conference in New Zealand.



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Taking the science stories to the people
Reaching diverse audiences through venue changes

10 Year Celebration!

On February 20, 2018, the Chicago Council on Science and Technology hosted a 10 Year Anniversary celebration, featuring speaker John Rowe, in partnership with the Field Museum and the Magellan Corporation. The evening consisted of a lecture and a dinner for approximately 70 guests.

John Rowe is the Chairman Emeritus of Exelon Corporation and is highly active in the Chicagoland area, serving as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Holocaust Museum. He has also chaired or been a member of several boards of Chicago institutions and has been recognized as Humanist of the Year. His lecture highlighted the rewards and challenges of investing in scientific and educational institutions and the benefits of investing in communities even when outcomes and impact are uncertain.

C2ST was proud to celebrate our first 10 years, and we look forward to the decade to come. We thank everyone who supported us, joined us at the event, and helped make our anniversary dinner a success!



C2ST cofounders, **Jon Miller** and **Alan Schriesheim** with long-term Field Museum board representative, **Lance Grand**, posing with our guest of honor, **John Rowe**.



Guests enjoyed dinner and celebrating 10 years of C2ST



A captive audience.

Thank You to Our Speakers

Fall 2017 – Spring 2018 Speakers

Dr. Rakesh Agrawal, Winthrop E. Stone Distinguished Professor, Davidson School of Chemical Engineering, Purdue University

Dr. Suzanne Bell, Professor of Industrial and Organizational Psychology in the College of Science and Health, DePaul University

Dr. Abhinav Bhushan, Assistant Professor of Biomedical Engineering, Illinois Institute of Technology

Dr. Leslie Brandt, Climate Change Specialist, US Forest Service

Dr. Eugenia Cheng, Scientist in Residence at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago

Dr. Michael A. Collins, Professor, Department of Microbiology and Immunology, Loyola University

Dr. Bridget Coughlin, President and CEO, Shedd Aquarium

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Dr. Travis Gallo, Postdoctoral Researcher at the Urban Wildlife Institute, Lincoln Park Zoo.

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Dr. Brian Murphy, Associate Professor, Department of Medicinal Chemistry and Pharmacognasy, University of Illinois at Chicago

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Dr. Don Wuebbles, Professor of Atmospheric Sciences, University of Illinois

2018 Gala

About 200 attendees celebrated the vibrant local science landscape, and we honored two individuals with an Advancing the Public Understanding of Science & Technology Award by awarding a Lifetime Achievement Award as well as a Young Professional Award. The Lifetime Achievement was awarded to Ann Lurie, a philanthropist and president and treasurer of the Ann and Robert H. Lurie Foundation. The Young Professional award went to Emile Cambry, Jr., founder of entrepreneurship incubator BLUE1647, film producer, and president of the Chicago International Social Change Festival. A huge thank you to our awardees for their incredible support of science and technology outreach in Chicago!

AceBounce	Dennis Bartolomei Salon
Ballroom Dance Chicago	Dovetail Brewery
Barnes & Thornburg LLP	Eli's Cheesecake
Barry's Bootcamp	Empirical Brewery
Bollywood Groove	Escape Artistry
Bonhomme Hospitality Group	Escape Reality
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Chicago Distilling	Gene Siskel Film Center
Chicago International Film Festival	Goose Island
Chicago Symphony Orchestra	Hyde Park Art Center
Chicago Wolves	I/O Theater
CoreYoga	Invenery
	Jeni's Ice Cream

Dennis Bartolomei Salon	John Batdorff Photography	Pumping Station: One
Dovetail Brewery	KOVAL Distillery	Science Naturally
Eli's Cheesecake	Lagunitas	Shakespeare Theater
Empirical Brewery	Lettuce Entertain You	Shedd Aquarium
Escape Artistry	Lyric Opera	SPiN
Escape Reality	Magellan	Story Studio Chicago
FEW Spirits	Makey Makey	The Clutter Curator
Gene Siskel Film Center	Math For Love	The Field Museum
Goose Island	Morton Arboretum	The Great Escape Room- Chicago
Hyde Park Art Center	Music Box Theatre	Untouchable Tours
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Invenergy	Pinot's Palette	
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Ann Lurie received The 2018 Lifetime Achievement Award for Advancing the Public Understanding of Science and Technology.

Emile Cambry Jr. received The 2018 Young Professional Award for Advancing the Public Understanding of Science and Technology.



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Guests listened as the awardees are recognized by C2ST.



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blog and Wang donated his photography to our organization. Our volunteers have donated over 150 hours to C2ST in the 2017-18 fiscal year.

We would also like to thank our Auxiliary Board members (see page 2) for their time, talents and enthusiasm to our mission.

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2017-18 Program Stats



Produced 32 programs, consisting of 65 hours of programming



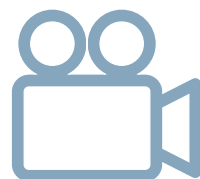
Hosted 89 experts, both local and international



Programs were attended by **4000 people**, either in person or through online streaming



74 cents of each dollar was spent on delivering quality programming



Recordings of our programs and highlight videos were **viewed over 20,000 times** on our YouTube Channel



95% agree that C2ST is a source of valuable and relevant science information

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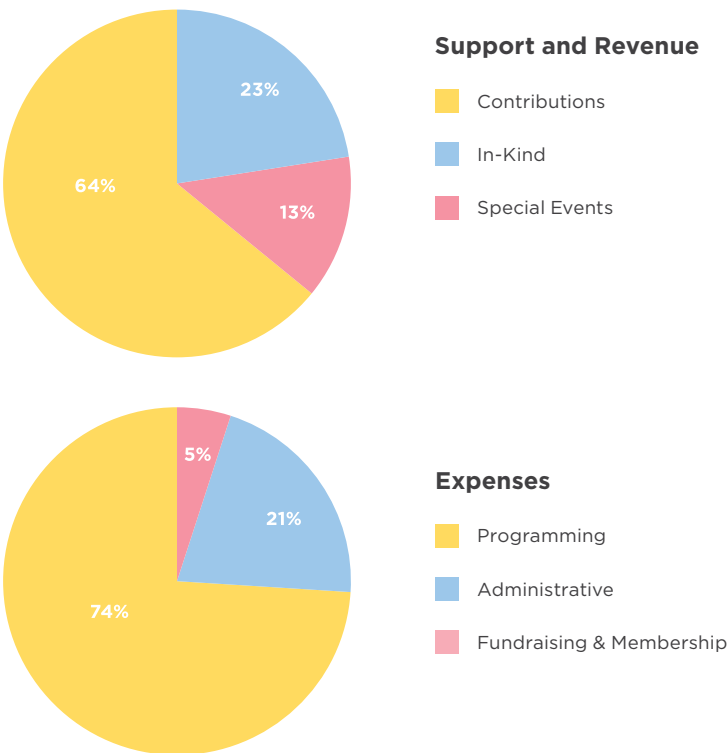
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C2ST By The Numbers

The following revenue and expense charts are comprised of financial information from our fiscal year between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018.

For our official financial documents please find our information on www.guidestar.org.



	6/30/18 Unrestricted	6/30/18 Temporarily Restricted	6/30/18 Total
Support and Revenue			
Contributions	\$262,991	\$20,000	\$282,991
Special Event	\$59,030	-	\$59,030
In-Kind	\$99,451	-	\$99,451
Miscellaneous	\$8	-	\$8
Net Assets Released	\$11,304	(\$11,304)	-
Total Support and Revenue	\$432,784	\$8,696	\$441,480
Expenses			
Public STEM Programming	\$339,627	-	\$339,627
Administrative	\$95,160	-	\$95,160
Fundraising	\$26,425	-	\$26,425
Total Expenses	\$461,212	-	\$461,212
Change in Net Assets	(\$28,428)	\$8,696	(\$19,732)
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	\$251,005	\$12,800	\$263,805
Net Assets at End of Year	\$222,577	\$21,496	\$244,073



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