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National Academy of Sciences and thirstDC
Present a Collaborative Live Event on May 15, 2014

WASHINGTON – The National Academy of Sciences’ Cultural Programs and Science & Entertainment Exchange and thirstDC announce Prometheus Unbound: A DASER Special, a collaborative live event on Thursday, May 15, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the National Academy of Sciences, 2101 Constitution Ave., N.W. The event is free and open to the public; a photo ID and registration are required for admittance. To register, visit https://daserthirst.eventbrite.com. Join the Twitter conversation with #DASERthirst.

Prometheus Unbound brings together a diverse group of experts for an entertaining and engaging look at the science behind the popular movie Prometheus (2012). Join us for an evening of abject nerdiness and witty banter as we explore the representation of science in the movies. The panel of experts includes: Summer Ash, astrophysicist and director of outreach, department of astronomy, Columbia University, New York City; Jeffrey Kahn, professor of bioethics and public policy, Johns Hopkins University Berman Institute of Bioethics, Baltimore; Michael Sappol, historian, National Library of Medicine, Bethesda, Md.; and Eric Schulze, molecular biologist and co-founder, creative director, and chief nerd, thirstDC, Washington, D.C. JD Talasek, director, Cultural Programs of the National Academy of Sciences, will moderate the discussion.

Margot MacDonald and DJ AutoRock will provide creative disruptions. Included in NPR’s Favorite Discoveries from the 2013 CMJ Music Festival and voted 2014 Best Singer by Washington City Paper readers; songwriter, vocalist, and live looper Margot MacDonald embodies a one-woman band. With his former band Big/Bright and as a DJ, AutoRock has played to packed crowds at the Howard Theater, U Street Music Hall, Black Cat and other venues around Washington, D.C. His monthly party MASS APPEAL is now in its sixth year at the Rock & Roll Hotel.

Cultural Programs of the National Academy of Sciences sponsors exhibitions, film screenings, the quasi-monthly salon called D.C. Art Science Evening Rendezvous (DASER), and other events that explore relationships among the arts and sciences. For more information, visit www.cpnas.org.

The Science & Entertainment Exchange of the National Academy of Sciences connects entertainment industry professionals with top scientists and engineers to create a synergy between accurate science and engaging storylines in both film and TV programming. For more information, visit http://www.scienceandentertainmentexchange.org.

thirstDC aims to create and foster thought leaders both on and off stage by crafting an informal environment where world-renowned experts socialize, interact with, and inspire attendees in a lounge atmosphere. thirstDC: Be utterly fascinating. For more information, visit http://thirstdc.com.

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