



North Little Rock Mini Maker Faire®

Saturday, May 11, 2019
North Shore Riverwalk
10 am - 4 pm

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



What is a Maker Faire?

A Maker Faire is a community-based learning event that inspires everyone to become a maker, while connecting with people and projects in their local community. In short, it creates opportunities for conversations with makers, artists, entrepreneurs, tech enthusiasts, crafters, students, educators, tinkerers, hobbyists, engineers, scientists and authors when they all come together to show their creations and demonstrate what they have experienced.

Be a
MAKER,
not just a
consumer.

A Network of Makers ★ A Showcase of Creative Work ★ Offers Engaging, Hands-On Interaction ★ Supports Grassroots Innovation in the Community

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How does Maker Faire work?

Maker Faire is a show-and-tell format for people of all ages that brings out the “kid” in all of us. Maker Faire is a community-based learning event that inspires everyone to become a maker and connect to people and projects in their local community. Yet, Maker Faire is a “fair” which should be fun and engaging. Maker Faire brings together families and individuals to celebrate the Do- It-Yourself (DIY) mindset and showcase all kinds of incredible projects.

At Maker Faire, you’ll find arts and crafts, science and engineering, food and music, fire and water—but what makes this event special is that all these interesting projects and smart, creative people belong together. Maker Faire is a free-to-the-public show and tell format for people of all ages and it brings out the kid in all of us.

Highlights

On Saturday, May 12th, 2018, we hosted approximately 3,500 people on the North Shore Riverwalk at the Fourth Annual North Little Rock Mini Maker Faire. Like all Maker Faires, this one was a family-friendly open street fare full of crafters, engineers, artists, and entrepreneurs. Last year we had more than 90 different Makers sharing, explaining and demonstrating their projects. It was a full day of creativity, innovation, and curiosity.

Sponsorship is Essential

Because this is a free-to-the-public community street fair event, we rely on our sponsors to help cover production expenses. Sponsorship dollars cover event license and insurance; tents, tables, and chairs rentals; security, perimeter barricades, vendor permits, and all logistic expenses; WiFi and power; expendables (tape, sandbags, barricades, tracks) and additional barricades to support specific exhibits; marketing collateral and promotional activities; and transportation assistance for marquee exhibits.

Three Reasons to Sponsor

- ▶ Access to an engaged demographic: well-educated, community-oriented.
- ▶ Workforce development: targeted job fair, access to potential employees.
- ▶ Supporting all-ages STEAM education: the Maker Faire is an environment to get open-access informal hands-on training in science, engineering, and the arts.

Maker Faire Audience

Last year’s Maker Faire drew a diverse crowd of adults and families with children. At the Arkansas Regional Innovation Hub (the Hub), we typically draw adults between 18-80, and families with children between 8-17. Previous events at the Hub have been well-attended and participants typically stay the entire length of the event (2-4 hours).

Based on surveys collected across the US in 2013, Maker Faire audiences look like this:

- ▶ **86%** have an undergraduate degree and **40%** have a post-graduate degrees
- ▶ **91%** attended with family and friends
- ▶ **47%** had children under 18 at home
- ▶ **83%** were employed, with **13%** self-employed
- ▶ **Top three interest areas:** science, electronics and robotics

MASTER MAKER

PRE-EVENT

- ▶ Mini Maker Faire Website Listing - Logo (with URL) listed on the Mini Maker Faire Website Sponsorship page, and on Website Homepage
- ▶ Acknowledged with “made possible by”
- ▶ Company name on promotional posters distributed to target audience
- ▶ Logo on Postcards (20k)
- ▶ Logo on all event promotion e-mail communications, averaging bimonthly
- ▶ Mention in press releases, advertising and marketing
- ▶ Mention on social media (Facebook, Twitter & Instagram)
- ▶ Thank you on e-mails to makers

**EVENT SPONSOR
 INVESTMENT: \$25,000**

ON SITE BENEFITS

- ▶ Significant branded on-site presence, up to a 20' x 20' space
- ▶ 5 amps of power
- ▶ Logo on release wrist bands, given to all attendees who elect to participate in hands-on activities (on average 6 in 10 participate in demos and hands-on craft activities)
- ▶ Name and logo on banner
- ▶ Materials available at event
- ▶ Four 8' tables
- ▶ Eight chairs

POST-EVENT

- ▶ Mention on our survey page going to all attendees, event partners, and vendors
- ▶ Mention in post-event e-mail communications acknowledging sponsors

CRAFTSMAN

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- ▶ Mention on social media (Facebook, Twitter & Instagram)
- ▶ Thank you on e-mails to makers

**SUSTAINING SPONSOR
 INVESTMENT: \$10,000**

ON SITE BENEFITS

- ▶ Branded on-site presence, up to a 20' x 10' space
- ▶ Materials available at event
- ▶ Three 8' tables
- ▶ Six chairs
- ▶ 5 amps of power
- ▶ Wi-Fi Internet access

POST-EVENT

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ON SITE BENEFITS

- ▶ Branded on-site presence, up to a 10' x 10' space
- ▶ Materials available at event
- ▶ One 8' table
- ▶ Two chairs
- ▶ Power available

PRESENTING SPONSOR INVESTMENT: \$5,000

ENTHUSIAST

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- ▶ Two chairs
- ▶ Power available
- ▶ Wi-Fi Internet access

CONTRIBUTING SPONSOR INVESTMENT: \$2,500

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BASIC SPONSOR INVESTMENT: \$1,250

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