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**Maker Faire Rochester Returns, This time at RIT**

Rochester, NY - Maker Faire Rochester. Play in the bubble playground, check out locally made video games and board games, participate in the cosplay contest, enjoy live music, see the latest in 3-D printing technology, and much more! More than 90 Makers will be coming together at Maker Faire Rochester, now in its 11<sup>th</sup> year. Free parking will be available this year for attendees, volunteers, and makers.

We're excited to bring Maker Faire back to Rochester for another year," said Pat Rapp, event coordinator. "This event not only highlights the incredible talent within our community but also fosters creativity and innovation in a family-friendly atmosphere.

Rochester is recognized as a global leader in the maker movement. Rochester's Faire is supported by the New York State Association for Computers and Technologies in Education (NYSCATE.org) and includes the Friday Student STEAM Fest. This is an opportunity for students in grades 3-8 to come in a day early for hands-on learning and fun with their classes, teachers, and chaperones. The Student STEAM Fest takes place on Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, and is open to Makers who want to share their knowledge and skills with school students. The Student STEAM Fest is ONLY open to school groups and accepted Makers.

This celebration of the DIY spirit is a community-driven festival with featured attractions, immersive exhibits, live demonstrations, and performances showcasing the intersection of science, technology, the arts, and crafting. Recognition for cosplay creativity will be hosted by Flower City Comiccon on Saturday, so be sure to attend as a favorite character!

First-time visitors to the faire will be inspired by the creativity and ingenuity of the Maker Movement -- Whether you're a seasoned maker, a curious beginner, or just looking for a fun family outing, Maker Faire Rochester is the perfect destination. Those who have already been to Maker Faire will be delighted to see both familiar and new Makers. Don't miss this opportunity to connect with fellow creators, discover new interests, and be inspired!

Since its debut in 2014, the faire has been a consistently anticipated festival for the community. Many attendees travel from other parts of New York to see the spectacles and inspiration.

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## Fact Sheet:

**What:** Maker Faire Rochester is a family-friendly event featuring robots, interactive art, crafts, unique handmade crafts, advanced manufacturing and digital fabrication, performances, and educational workshops. There are many ways to to make, play, and discover.

**When:** Saturday, November 16, 2022, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**Where:** Gordon Field House, Rochester Institute of Technology

**Tickets:** Advanced prices - Adult \$12 Advance Family Pass: \$40 Note that ticket prices will increase at the door.

**Website, including ticket sales:** [www.rochester.makerfaire.com/](http://www.rochester.makerfaire.com/)

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/MakerFaireRochester/>

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