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Science Distilled: Nevada Inhales

Is what we're inhaling putting Northern Nevada on the map?

(Reno, NV) - The Terry Lee Wells Nevada Discovery Museum (The Discovery) and the Desert Research Institute (DRI) are proud to announce the first Science Distilled event of 2017, scheduled for Wednesday, February 15 at 7 p.m. at IMBÎB Custom Brews.

Science Distilled makes cutting-edge science approachable through presentations on current and curious topics held in hip locations throughout our community.

This month's presentation will introduce local science fans to two DRI scientists and research projects focused on Nevada's air quality.

- Joe Grzymiski, Ph.D., senior director of DRI's Applied Innovation Center, will share updates on DRI's collaboration with Renown Health and leading personal genetics company 23andMe. Launched in September of 2016, a pioneering new community-based population health study is, for-the-first-time, combining population and health data, environmental data, and voluntary genetic data collected from 10,000 Nevadans.
- Vera Samburova, Ph.D., an atmospheric chemist who operates DRI's Organic Analytical Lab, will discuss DRI's research into the unidentified effects of vaping on human health and the need for more research in the growing e-cigarette industry. Recently published findings by DRI demonstrated that the aerosols (commonly called vapors) produced by flavored e-cigarettes liquids contain dangerous levels of hazardous chemicals known to cause cancer in humans.

What: Science Distilled – Lecture Series

When: Wednesday, February 15, 2017 | Doors open at 7pm | Presentation at 7:30pm

Where: IMBÎB Custom Brews | 785 E. 2nd Street, Reno, NV

Cost: \$10 for museum members | \$10 for students (21+) | \$15 for non-members

Tickets available at sciencedistilled.org or by calling 775-786-1000.

Must be age 21 or older to attend.

**** Cameras Welcome ****

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About The Discovery

The Discovery creates interest and engagement in science for all. Through unique, hands-on programs and exhibits, The Discovery creates learning experiences that range from simple curiosity to deep understanding, empowering a community of critical thinkers. The Discovery is a locally founded nonprofit 501(c)3 organization. To learn more about The Discovery and how you can help support the museum's mission, visit www.nvdm.org.

About DRI

DRI, the nonprofit research arm of the Nevada System of Higher Education, is a world leader in environmental sciences through the application of knowledge and technologies to improve people's lives throughout Nevada and the world. For more information about DRI please visit www.dri.edu.