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## The Discovery to Host Eclipse Viewing Event

Reno museum offers a fun and educational experience.

Reno, Nev - The Terry Lee Wells Nevada Discovery Museum (The Discovery) will be hosting a viewing of the "Great American Eclipse" on Monday, Aug. 21. Guests will be able to view a video stream of the total eclipse, learn about eclipse science and participate in hands-on activities related to this incredible phenomenon. While Reno will not be in the path of the total solar eclipse, observers will see the moon obscure an impressive 82.9 percent of the sun.

People across the United States will witness the sun disappearing behind the moon, turning daylight into twilight, causing the temperature to drop rapidly, and revealing massive streamers of light streaking through the sky around the silhouette of the moon. Prime viewing of the eclipse from The Discovery will be at approximately 10:19 a.m.

"We look forward to sharing in this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity with the community," said Mat Sinclair, President and CEO of The Discovery. "The Discovery aims to provide a safe, inspiring and educational experience to anyone who is interested in engaging with this beautiful celestial event."

The event is free for both members and non-members and does not include museum admission. The first 300 people to arrive at The Discovery at 9:00 a.m. will receive a free pair of viewing glasses to safely observe the eclipse. To learn more about the event visit <a href="https://nvdm.org">nvdm.org</a>.

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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.