



## **Science Distilled: Drive-in for Science**

*Buckle up for the exciting intersection of cinema and science*

**RENO, Nev. (September 13, 2023)** — Pull in, sit back and enjoy a scientific double feature at the latest installment of Science Distilled. Desert Research Institute (DRI) and the Terry Lee Wells Nevada Discovery Museum (The Discovery) present “Science Distilled: Drive-in for Science” on Saturday, Sept. 16 from 7 to 9 p.m. at West Wind El Rancho Drive-In Theater located at 555 El Rancho Dr. Doors open at 7 p.m. and film begins at 7:30 p.m.

The magic of the big screen and the wonder of science will unite for a one-of-a-kind double feature under the stars. The night will begin with “The Whale Detective,” an exploration of the often-misunderstood relationship between whales and humans. Follow the filmmaker as he investigates his traumatic encounter with a 30-ton humpback whale that breached and barely missed landing on him while he was kayaking. Then dive into “Octopus: Making Contact,” a documentary following marine biologist David Scheel as he tracks his evolving relationship with his own octopus and examines the incredible intelligence and problem-solving skills octopuses possess.

Science Distilled, the lecture series created by DRI and The Discovery, makes cutting-edge science approachable through presentations on current and curious topics, held at hip locations in a social atmosphere. Started in 2016, speakers at Science Distilled events have covered topics ranging from genetics, to climate change, to personal energy independence.

Tickets for “Science Distilled: Drive-in for Science” are \$5 for children and \$10 for adults. Science Distilled is presented with support from PBS Reno, CORE Construction, KUNR and Nevada Humanities. Visit [sciencedistilled.org](https://www.sciencedistilled.org) for more information or to purchase tickets.

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### **About The Discovery**

The Discovery creates interest and engagement in science for all. Through unique, hands-on programs, exhibitions and events, 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](https://www.nvdm.org).