



## **Social Science: Freak Show**

*Step right up to experience a sideshow science soirée*

**RENO, Nev. (Sept. 7, 2023)** — Behold an array of oddities and delicacies that will astound even the most discerning of tastes at Social Science: Freak Show. This carnival of curiosities will take place at the Terry Lee Wells Nevada Discovery Museum (The Discovery) on Saturday, Sept. 9 from 7 to 10 p.m.

Social Science is The Discovery's wildly popular adults-only, brain-building event series featuring science demonstrations, hands-on labs, expert presentations, music, libations, and sweet and savory bites. Each event offers an opportunity to explore a unique theme and the entire museum.

Explore freakish phenomena at Social Science: Freak Show, where a world of peculiarities and curiosities awaits. Dive into an assortment of unique activities, from crafting plush Frankensteins to unveiling the intricacies of past, present and future with the locally famous psychic, Ms. Vivian. Tantalize taste buds with insect delicacies at the Bug Buffet and witness astonishing feats like staff members resting on a bed of nails or contenders attempting to bend horseshoes, frying pans and bottle caps. Pose alongside a life-size silhouette of history's tallest person, Robert Wadlow, and compare hand size with Andre the Giant. The Museum of Oddities features wacky genetics tests that uncover the freakiest genetic anomalies and most unusual characteristics known to humankind. Take advantage of the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to hold a human brain and discuss the wonders of the cerebrum with the University of Nevada, Reno neuroscience group.

Attendees can also kick back with some science trivia while grooving to the beats of DJ Heidalicious. Plus, enter for a chance to win a totally outlandish gift basket full of goodies, wine, beer and more.

Tickets are \$20 for members, \$25 for nonmembers in advance and \$30 at the door. Admission includes two drinks and complimentary tasty bites from Liberty Events & Catering. Must be 21 years or older to attend. Visit [nvdm.org](http://nvdm.org) to purchase tickets or for more information.

This is the final event in the 2023 Social Science series. Dates and themes for the 2024 series will be announced in mid-December.

The Social Science series is sponsored by Geologica Geothermal Resource Solutions, Waste Management, KRNV and KRXI. Additional support is provided by IMBIB Custom Brews, Liberty Events & Catering and Breakthru Beverage of Nevada.

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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](http://www.nvdm.org).