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History San José Presents
1st Annual San José Mini Maker Faire
Sunday, September 6, 2015; 10:00am – 6:00pm
at History Park in Kelley Park

San José, CA – August 21, 2015 --- On Sunday, September 6, from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM, some of the coolest inventions, innovators, exhibits, creators, tinkerers, robots, hobbyists, crafters, artists and young Makers in Santa Clara Valley will gather at History Park for the first ever San José Mini Maker Faire!

What is a Maker Faire? Part of the global Maker Faire network created by MAKE magazine, Maker Faires are called “the Greatest Show (and Tell) on Earth”. These family-friendly events showcase invention, creativity, and resourcefulness, and celebrate the Maker Movement. It's a place where people of all ages and backgrounds gather together to show what they are making and share what they are learning.

“The 1st Annual San José Mini Maker Faire at History Park will highlight more than 70 talented artists and Makers right here in our community,” says Alida Bray, President & CEO of History San José. “Makers built this Valley! Each Maker Faire has its own identity, and ours will feature the history of ‘making’ and include makers you may not see at other fairs.”

History San José is proud to announce the lineup for the first ever San José Mini Maker Faire! The complete list of exhibitors can be found at: <http://makerfaresanjose.com/makers-2015/>. Highlights from the exhibitor lineup include:

- [Calfee Design](#): Legendary bicycle designer Craig Calfee will be on hand to show visitors how to grow their own bicycle! The Calfee DIY Bamboo Bike kit allows anyone to make their own bamboo bike. Demonstrations and instructional videos will be shown at their booth throughout the day.
- [Chico MacMurtrie](#): World renowned sculptor Chico MacMurtrie will be displaying his Organograph, a large flower-like statue that is entirely powered by the sun, with large solar petals that open at sunrise to follow the sun and collect its energy then closing gently at sunset.
- [TechShop San Jose](#): Part fabrication and prototyping studio, part hackerspace and part learning center, TechShop is a playground for creativity and provides access to over \$1 million worth of professional equipment and software. The San José Tech Shop will be hosting several booths with interactive demonstrations and hands on activities!
- [Cyant](#): Cyant will help visitors' handwritten drawings and writings jump off the page using 3D printers to make fun and creative works of art!
- [Kraut Source](#): Kraut source will be demonstrating their nifty stainless steel devices that fit on Mason jars to help you make your own sauerkraut, pickles, kimchi and other yummy live-cultured foods at home.
- [Fremont High Robotics Team](#): Fremont High School's Robotics team, the Firebots, will be showing off their robots and letting visitors take them for a spin
- [Bay Area Glass Institute \(BAGI\)](#): BAGI provides accessible, hands-on glass experiences that educate and inspire current and future generations of patrons, students and artists. BAGI is the

only public access glass-working facility in Santa Clara County that has fully functional glassblowing, fusing and torch working studios. Visitors will be able to see flame-working demonstrations performed live!

The San José Mini Maker Faire will run on Sunday, September 6, 2015 from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit: www.makerfaresanjose.com.

Sponsors for the 1st Annual San Jose Mini Maker Faire include: MAKE Magazine, Robert J. Bettencourt, Linda L. Lester, Silicon Valley Creates, Galileo Learning, and the Mineta Transportation Institute.

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About History San José:

History San José is a non-profit organization that collects, preserves and celebrates the stories of diversity and innovation in San José and the Santa Clara Valley. HSJ manages one of the largest and most comprehensive regional history collections in the State of California, from 1784 Spanish governmental records to twenty-first century Silicon Valley technology.

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