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## **Whitaker Center's 'Above and Beyond' Exhibit, Sponsored by TE Connectivity Inspires Space and Aviation Exploration**

**Harrisburg, PA** – Whitaker Center for Science and the Arts announces the launch of its latest exhibit, "Above and Beyond," which officially opened to the public on Friday, March 7. This innovative and engaging exhibit, made possible in partnership with TE Connectivity, offers visitors an immersive journey into the future of aviation and space exploration.

"Above and Beyond" aligns seamlessly with Whitaker Center's mission to educate and inspire through science and the arts. The exhibit features interactive experiences such as designing virtual jets, testing pilot skills, and exploring deep space travel, aiming to ignite curiosity in aviation, space, and beyond. Visitors can engage in hands-on, high-tech simulations, including piloting a drone into a hurricane and experiencing flight as a bird or futuristic wing-flapping aircraft.

Mary Oliveira, President & CEO of Whitaker Center, expressed her enthusiasm, stating, "We are delighted to bring 'Above and Beyond' to our community. This exhibit showcases the marvels of aerospace innovation while serving as a catalyst to inspire the next generation of engineers, scientists, and explorers."

TE Connectivity, a global leader in connectors and sensors, is the proud sponsor of this exhibit. Their commitment to fostering innovation and education in STEM fields has been instrumental in bringing this world-class experience to Harrisburg. Reggie Lai, Vice President of Global Government Affairs and Corporate Responsibility at TE Connectivity, remarked, "Supporting 'Above and Beyond' reflects our dedication to inspiring future innovators. We believe that hands-on experiences like these ignite passion and curiosity— essential components for advancing technology and connectivity."

"Above and Beyond" is a limited-time exhibit, running from March 7 through May 25, 2025. Whitaker Center's Science Center is open Fridays through Mondays, from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Tickets are available for purchase at the door or online at [WhitakerCenter.org](http://WhitakerCenter.org). This exhibit offers something for all ages, making it a must-visit destination before it's departure at the end of May.

For more information, please visit [Whitaker Center's official website](#).

**About Whitaker Center for Science and the Arts:** Celebrating its 25th Anniversary, Whitaker Center for Science and the Arts is a non-profit center dedicated to arts, education, entertainment, and cultural enrichment. Located in the heart of Harrisburg's vibrant downtown, Whitaker Center offers a range of attractions, including the PNC Innovation Zone, Sunoco Performance Theater, UPMC Science Center, STEM Design Studios, and Select Medical Digital Cinema. For a comprehensive list of events, shows, hours of operation, and ticket rates, please visit [whitakercenter.org](http://whitakercenter.org).

**About TE Connectivity:** TE Connectivity is a global industrial technology leader creating a safer, sustainable, productive, and connected future. Their broad range of connectivity and sensor solutions have been proven in the harshest environments, enabling advancements in transportation, industrial applications, medical technology, energy, data communications, and the home.

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