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## FOR RELEASE

### Dayton History and Make It Dayton to Hold 2nd Annual Dayton Mini Maker Faire

The two day festival will be held August 5 and 6, 2017

**Dayton, February 6, 2017:** Dayton History and Make It Dayton are pleased to announce that the 2nd annual Dayton Mini Maker Faire will be held at Carillon Historical Park on August 5 and 6, 2017. [Maker Faire](#) is a global event series started by *Make* magazine in 2006 to celebrate the all-encompassing, diverse nature of maker culture: arts, crafts, engineering, science, a commitment to the DIY mindset and more. The Dayton Mini Maker Faire is a locally produced celebration of tinkering, invention and creativity that showcases projects from across local hobbyists, small businesses, makerspaces and students. The exhibits will cover a wide range of interests, including virtual reality, woodworking, robotics, fiber arts, amateur radio, music and much more. Several hands-on activities and classes will be offered as part of the event, including a HAM radio operator certification course, basic soldering skills for adults and children, model rocket building, and live demonstrations of blacksmithing and woodworking. This year, author and Youtube star David Picciuto of the Making It Podcast will be the featured speaker at the event. The Boneyard Build-off, the DIY battle royale pitting makers against makers, will also return again this year hosted by Proto Buildbar.

Interested makers can apply to participate as an exhibitor, instructor or vendor at the 2017 Dayton Mini Maker Faire at [dayton.makerfaire.com/call-for-makers](http://dayton.makerfaire.com/call-for-makers). The Boneyard Build-Off is also looking for several teams to compete in the 2017 event. Interested teams can apply at [dayton.makerfaire.com/boneyard-buildoff](http://dayton.makerfaire.com/boneyard-buildoff). Questions about the event or sponsorship opportunities should be directed to Make It Dayton at [makeitdayton@gmail.com](mailto:makeitdayton@gmail.com) or Merry Masterson, Dayton History Assistant Director of Education at [mmasterson@daytonhistory.org](mailto:mmasterson@daytonhistory.org).