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## Makers and Performers Sought for First Annual New Braunfels Maker Faire on August 2nd

New Braunfels, TX - The first annual New Braunfels Mini Maker Faire is scheduled for Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, at the New Braunfels Civic/Convention Center.

The call for makers and performers is open now and any group, or individual interested, in participating in this inaugural event should complete the simple application at www.makerfairenewbraunfels.com/makers by May 31st.

The New Braunfels Mini Maker Faire will join the roster of Maker Faires across the nation, offering a chance for community members to celebrate do-it-yourself creativity and tinkering and see what others in the community are making and doing.

Featuring both established and emerging local "makers," the New Braunfels event is a family-friendly celebration featuring LEGOs and robots, DIY science and technology, urban farming and sustainability, unique hand-made arts and crafts, local music and dance performers, and interactive educational exhibits. Some of the participating makers include:

- The Texas LEGO Users Group from San Antonio, which will provide a LEGO-filled play area for kids and adults
- Mark Suter of Primitive Texas, who will demonstrate primitive tool-making and basket weaving
- Lucas Miller, the Singing Zoologist, who will perform his science-based, high-energy songs
- FIRST Tech Challenge Robotics team #6041, "Field Destruction," which will show off their driveable robot (which faire attendees can take for a spin!)
- The McKenna Children's Museum, which will have a Van de Graaff generator on display and will conduct science activities
- Local dance troupe "Totem," which will give an exciting improvisational performance of American Tribal Style Belly Dance

• New Braunfels Public Library teen and tween patrons, who will display video games and animations they have created.

This program is made possible with the support of *The Friends of the New Braunfels Public Library*. For more information contact Kit Ward-Crixell at 830-221-4319 or Megan Clark at info@makerfairenewbraunfels.com.

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