

# AIAA Greater Huntsville Section inspires the next generation of scientists and engineers at STEAMfest 2022

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AIAA GHS members were out in full force at STEAMfest 2022 to share their love of science with children and parents throughout Alabama. The event ran from 10 am to 5 pm on Saturday, Oct. 29 in the East Hall of the Von Braun Center in downtown Huntsville. According to Festival Director Joe Iacuzzo, over 7,000 people in Huntsville and the surrounding communities visited STEAMfest – an increase of more than 3,000 over last year.

The large AIAA booth, sponsored by ERC for the second year in a row, featured interactive demonstrations with small 3D-printed rockets, Lego Saturn V models, and large beakers of dry ice and “ghost” bubbles. Additional STEAM demonstrations were provided by AIAA member Jeremy Fehrenbacher, owner of the non-profit charity Carve Out Tomorrow.



Visitors to the AIAA booth had the opportunity to decorate aerospace-themed wooden ornaments for the AIAA GHS Christmas tree, which is now on display as part of the 2022 Tinsel Trail in downtown Huntsville’s Big Spring Park. Tinsel Trail is an annual event in which local businesses, organizations, and families participate to promote community.

Thank you to our section members who volunteered at STEAMfest: Kelly Campo, John Dankanich, Manny Diaz, Leandra Ernst, Jeremy Fehrenbacher, Michaela Hemming, Christopher Kitson, Paul Kovacic, William Loeblich, Alan Lowrey, Leo Osborne, Robin Osborne, Zachary Osborne, Amber Porteous, Rayne Rutherford, Ian Slamen, and Buddy Watson.













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