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Insect Fair To Invade Downtown Riverside
2nd Annual Riverside Insect Fair takes place Saturday, April 30, 2016

RIVERSIDE, CA – Get a little bugged out as you touch a tarantula, buzz by the bees, or smell a stink bug. The Riverside Metropolitan Museum and the UC Riverside Entomology Graduate Student Association will host the 2nd Annual Riverside Insect Fair to give our community the opportunity to learn how insects impact our lives.

With more than 50 booths, guests will be able to make a tie-dye shirt with dye from ground-up insects, enter a world of butterflies, and encounter a Madagascar Hissing Cockroach.

Special guest Bug Chef, David George Gordon, will create culinary masterpieces using ants, grasshoppers, centipedes, scorpions and their kin. His program is fun, educational and extremely popular with Fair attendees.

You will also hear local scientists address Colony Collapse Disorder, vector control tips for Zika, West Nile, and other viruses and urban pest control tips.

The event also will feature crafts and learning tools, books and jewelry, and experts to ask those pesky questions about the creepy crawly critters found around us.

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Calendar Editors Please Note:

What: “2nd Annual Insect Fair”

Where: Riverside Metropolitan Museum

When: April 30, 2016; 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Cost: Free and Open to the public

Public Information: Riverside Metropolitan Museum, 3580 Mission Inn Ave., Riverside, CA 92501, (951) 826-5273, www.riversideca.gov/museum; Museum open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 9 am – 5 pm, Thursday 9 am – 9 pm, Saturday 10 am – 5 pm, Sunday 11 am – 5 pm.