

WKAR Holds Casting Call for Kids Science Show

Casting Call for ages 9-14 Saturday, May 7

EAST LANSING, MI; APRIL 21, 2015 – Do you know a child who loves science? A child who loves experimenting? Maybe that child could be the next cast member on **Curious Crew**, a children's television show about science produced by WKAR at Michigan State University.

The mid-Michigan PBS affiliate is holding an open casting call for children ages 9 to 14 for season three of **Curious Crew**, scheduled for production later this summer.

The auditions will be held Saturday, May 7, from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at WKAR studios on the Michigan State campus. A parent or guardian must accompany any child auditioning. Visit wkar.org and find "Casting Call for Curious Crew" (wkar.org/casting-call-curious-crew) for full details and a schedule.

In this award-winning original series from WKAR, host Rob Stephenson and the "Curious Crew" of kids take a hands-on approach to scientific exploration.

Curious Crew is seen in mid-Michigan Mondays and Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. on WKAR-TV 23.1; and in southeast Michigan Fridays at 5:30 p.m. on WTVS Detroit Public Television 56.1. Check local listings for airtimes on other Michigan PBS stations.

In July of 2014, the open casting call for the first season of production drew over 250 young actors to audition at the WKAR studios.

Curious Crew debuted on WKAR-HD in November of 2014. All full episodes from the first two seasons are available for viewing in the PBS channel on Roku, Amazon Fire, Apple TV, iPad and iPhone and at video.wkar.org.

Curious Crew host Rob Stephenson is a National Teacher of the Year finalist, 2009-2010 Michigan Teacher of the Year, and 2006 winner of the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science Teaching. He is currently STEM consultant with Ingham Intermediate School District.

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The WKAR Network is part of Michigan State University's College of Communication Arts and Sciences. The WKAR Network provides mid-Michigan and the global community with award-winning original programming and the best from PBS and NPR via television channels WKAR-HD, WKAR World and WKAR Create; and radio broadcasts at 90.5 FM, AM 870 and WKAR Radio Reading Service. At Wkar.org and video.wkar.org, the network offers live audio streaming, plus local news features, TV original full episodes and the best from NPR and PBS on-demand. The WKAR Network provides additional community outreach with WKAR Ready to Learn Service and PBS LearningMedia.

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PHOTOS

Host Rob Stephenson and cast members from an earlier season of Curious Crew.

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