

WKAR Holds Casting Call for Kids Science Show

Casting Call for ages 9-14 Saturday, May 2

EAST LANSING, MI; APRIL 16, 2015 – Do you know a child who loves science? Who loves experimenting? Maybe that child you know could be the next cast member on Curious Crew, a TV series produced locally by WKAR at Michigan State University.

The local PBS affiliate is holding an open casting call for children ages 9 to 14 for season two of Curious Crew, scheduled for production later this summer.

The auditions will be held Saturday, May 2, 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 original program from WKAR, series host Rob Stephenson and a "Curious Crew" of kids take a hands-on approach to scientific exploration.

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 season are available for viewing in the PBS App on iPad, iPhone, Roku, Xbox 360, Apple TV 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 some of the cast members from season one of Curious Crew.

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