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CRRA to Celebrate America Recycles Day With Events in Hartford, Stratford

Tours, Crafts, Movies, Special Magic Show by Cyril the Sorcerer — All Free

HARTFORD, Conn. – The Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority's education centers will join the celebration of America Recycles Day by hosting two events.

America Recycles Day events will be held at the CRRA Trash Museum in Hartford on Saturday, Nov. 11, and at the CRRA Garbage Museum in Stratford on Saturday, Nov. 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Both events will be open to the public and free of charge.

The Nov. 11 event at the CRRA Trash Museum will feature a magic show and storytelling by Cyril the Sorcerer from 11:30 a.m. to noon. Other activities will include touring the museum, watching recycling movies and creating a decorative recycled craft. Visitors may watch the CRRA container recycling facility in action and participate in adding on to a sculpture made from recycled materials.

The Trash Museum features the Temple of Trash, a sculpture made from reclaimed garbage. It is located on 211 Murphy Road, Hartford. For more information, call (860)757-7765.

At the Nov. 18 event at the CRRA Garbage Museum, visitors may participate in museum tours, explore exhibits and create a princess or pirate hat made from recycled paper. Additionally, guests may watch recycling movies and catch a bird's-eye view of the CRRA container recycling facility.

The Garbage Museum features Trash-o-saurus, a one-ton dinosaur made from salvaged items. Visitors may take part in scavenger hunts searching for "found" treasures on Trash-o-saurus. Additionally, families may participate in an all-time favorite activity, Trash Bash.

"We encourage families and scout groups to attend the America Recycles Day events. The activities are interactive and fun for all ages," said Sotoria Montanari, education supervisor.

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The Garbage Museum is located at 1410 Honeyspot Road Extension. For more information or directions, contact (203)381-9571 or go to http://www.crra.org and click on "Education."

Individuals who complete a "promise to recycle" card at either event will become eligible for national and state prizes and receive recycled giveaways.

America Recycles Day is a national event that encourages recycling and the purchase of recycled products. For more information, visit http://www.americarecyclesday.org.

The Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority is a quasi-public agency whose mission is to work for-and in – the best interests of the municipalities of the state of Connecticut. CRRA's new board of directors and new management team develop and implement environmentally sound solutions and best practices for solid waste disposal and recycling management on behalf of municipalities. CRRA also runs environmental and recycling educational programs through its Visitors Center in Hartford and Garbage Museum in Stratford. For more information about CRRA and its activities, visit http://www.crra.org.