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The Cade Museum Re-Opens June 5th

Visitors will enjoy The Cade through guided experiential tours

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Gainesville, Florida, May 28, 2020 – The Cade Museum for Creativity and Invention will reopen on Friday, June 5th, with a re-envisioned Cade Museum experience. Since guest safety and enjoyment remain our top priorities, The Cade will initially be open on Fridays and Saturdays for limited-capacity experiential tours. A talented team of Cade educators will lead tours, and tickets can be purchased at CadeMuseum.org (free for Cade Members - advance registration recommended).

“More than 50,000 parents and children have continued to interact with the museum, during its closure, through our “Cade at Home” online learning platform, and we are thrilled to reopen our doors to the entire community,” said Stephanie Bailes, Executive Director of the Cade Museum.

In addition to maintaining current social distancing standards, our goal is to provide the most engaging Cade Museum experience within an environment that exceeds safety standards. The Cade Museum celebrates invention and is proud to partner with Violet Defense, Orlando-based creators of patented, ultraviolet disinfectant devices that eliminate up to 99.9% of bacteria and viruses. “We are excited to be partnering with The Cade Museum to help protect their guests and staff. It is our mission to leverage our technology to help protect people against germs in all of the places they live, work, play, and learn every day,” said Terrance Berland, CEO of Violet Defense.

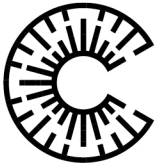
Bolstering the strict cleaning protocols already in place, Violet Defense’s mobile ultraviolet disinfection units - currently utilized in hospitals - will be used before and after each guided tour. This added layer of protection allows guests to experience our Sweat Solution exhibit, Fab Lab, Creativity Lab, Gallery West, and Petty Family Gallery with the knowledge that this state-of-the-art technology brings a clinical-level of disinfection into the museum.

“We have missed everyone and look forward to seeing everyone again. Reopening the Cade feels like a victory for the entire community that we love to serve. We are excited to see inventors of all ages reconnect with STEAM learning at the museum on June 5th and beyond,” Bailes added.

To purchase tour tickets, and for more information about the Cade Museum, visit <https://www.cademuseum.org/>

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About the Cade Museum

In 2004, Dr. James Robert Cade and his family established the Cade Museum Foundation to build the Cade Museum for Creativity & Invention in Gainesville, Florida. The Cade's mission is to transform communities by inspiring and equipping future inventors, entrepreneurs, and visionaries. Dr. Cade, a physician at the University of Florida, was best known as the leader of a research team that invented Gatorade in 1965. The Cade Museum is located at 811 South Main Street, Gainesville, FL 32601. An independent 501(c)(3) public foundation, the museum receives no operational funding from federal, state, or local governments, or the University of Florida. Visit CadeMuseum.org for more information.

About Violet Defense

Violet Defense uses UV disinfection to protect everyday spaces from harmful pathogens by killing up to 99.9% of bacteria and viruses, including *E. coli*, Salmonella, MRSA, *C. diff.*, Norovirus, and *C. auris*. Violet Defense's technology is the only known Pulsed Xenon solution that can be installed into a room full-time, creating a continuous way to address disinfection needs of all types of settings. For more information, visit www.violetdefense.com or follow us on Facebook or Twitter (@violetdefense).

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