

# Trieste Mini Maker Faire®



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## MAKERS WANTED!!

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Miramare, Campus ICTP

### A brief introduction...

In 2014 the Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP) will celebrate its **first 50 years**. To bolster such an important milestone, the Centre's Science Dissemination Unit is organizing the first Trieste Mini Maker Faire, in collaboration with Maker Media Inc., to be held on Saturday 17 May 2014 at ICTP's Miramare Campus. Makers will gather to showcase the results of their creativity and to share their ideas with the general public. The event provides **free entrance** for everybody; schools and makers will be requested to **register in advance**.

**Maker Faire is a global movement aiming to inspire, educate and entertain curious and creative minds of all ages. The Trieste Mini Maker Faire will bring together and uncover makers, inventors, scientists, crafters, artists and all other passionate creative enthusiasts from the Triveneto region of Italy as well as Slovenia, Croatia, Austria and beyond.** While showing their projects, participants will also share their passion for making and inspire visitors to make things themselves. Special attention will be given to ideas and projects of educational interest and aimed at developing countries.

**Individuals, groups, schools and organizations that would like to demonstrate what they make and/or how it works in an exhibit space are encouraged to register. There will be no fee for maker exhibits.** Updated information and details of the event will be posted on the website:

[www.makerfairetrieste.it](http://www.makerfairetrieste.it)

### Who are we looking for?

Maker Faire is the Greatest Show (and Tell) on Earth—a family-friendly showcase of invention, creativity and resourcefulness. An occasion for makers to show what they are busy making, and share what they are learning, and finally it's a celebration of the Maker movement and spirit. Yeah, makers...

#### But who are these makers???

Makers range from tech enthusiasts to crafters to homesteaders to scientists to garage tinkerers. They are the guys and the girls who, after a long day of being “just normal people” will spend most evenings and weekends in the basement, making something new, playing bravely with new technologies (no fear of computers, PCBs, robots or whatever else this crazy digital age is bringing to us ;-)

Makers are -before any label or definition- just curious people, of all ages and backgrounds, who goes beyond talking and start doing, making... exactly the ones that are primarily and over all into MAKING.

### Why a Mini Maker Faire in Trieste?

The aim of Maker Faire is to entertain, inform, connect and grow this community. The original Maker Faire event was held in San Mateo, CA and in 2013 celebrated its eighth annual show with some 900 makers and 120,000 people in attendance. World Maker Faire New York, the other flagship event, has grown in four years to 600+ makers and 75,000 attendees.

Detroit, Kansas City, Rome, Oslo, Tokyo, Newcastle (UK), and Shenzhen are the home of “featured” 2014 Maker Faires (200+ makers).

And almost a hundred community-driven, independently organized Mini Maker Faires are now being produced around the United States and the world.

Trieste is right in this list, as the very first Italian venue for a Mini Maker Faire (the featured Maker Faire 2013 in Rome, held a few months ago, was in fact anything but “mini”), and we hope that many other Italian cities will follow. And the reason to host it here is to support the many communities of makers already established or just-starting in the Triveneto region (as well as from Slovenia, Croatia and Austria), giving them a first occasion to meet, to know better each other, and to start collaborate and grow together.



### A few examples of projects we are looking for...

Animatronics and robotics (both useful and fun), kitchen chemistry, crocheting, new board games, 3D printers and scanners, electronic clothes, *RaspberryPi*ed Arduinos, brain-controlled quadcopters, recycled arts, DIY bio, home-built musical instruments, wild creative wood-working, digital interactive performing arts, smart home appliances, pedal-powered tech, creative food, wearable technologies, sustainable design, CPUs for all, bespoke electronics, mechanics projects, open source software, everyday- and future-science, ...?



Admittance to the Trieste Mini Maker Faire will be **free for all exhibitors and visitors!**  
Open to makers from Italy, Slovenia, Croatia, Austria

[www.makerfairetrieste.it](http://www.makerfairetrieste.it)

And you, what will YOU show?



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