Madison College’s Fusion Science Theater Receives $500,000 NSF Grant

What do you get when you combine science with theater? An innovative show for kids that’s both fun and educational.

Madison Area Technical College’s Fusion Science Theater (FST) has been awarded a $499,993 grant by the National Science Foundation to implement a national program to train educators, museum professionals and science outreach volunteers to perform FST shows.

“Fusion Science Theater is an innovative form of science outreach that’s playful, interactive, educational and inquiry-based,” says Holly Walter Kerby, project lead and Madison College chemistry instructor. “The shows and methods use theater to help increase children's interest, self-efficacy and conceptual understanding of science.”

Fusion Science Theater is a multidisciplinary organization comprised of educators, scientists, theater artists, writers and outreach specialists.

Want to see video of a FST show? Just go to http://www.fusionsciencetheater.org/

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