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Dream Big to Build a Better World

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What is Civil Engineering?

• Poll



Civil Engineering

Civil engineers design, build, and maintain the foundation for our modern society – our roads and bridges, drinking water and energy systems, sea ports and airports, and the infrastructure for a cleaner environment, to name just a few.

Think of a civil engineer when you:

- Turn on your tap to take a shower or drink clean water
- · Flick on your lights and open your refrigerator
- Drive to work on roads and bridges through synchronized traffic lights
- Take mass transit or take a flight for a vacation
- · Toss your empty coffee cup in the recycling bin





What makes an engineering activity?

- A problem to solve
- Constraints such as time or equipment allowed
- Open-ended solution



• Example: paper bridge



Resources for a Librarian

- Finding presenters
- Finding activities





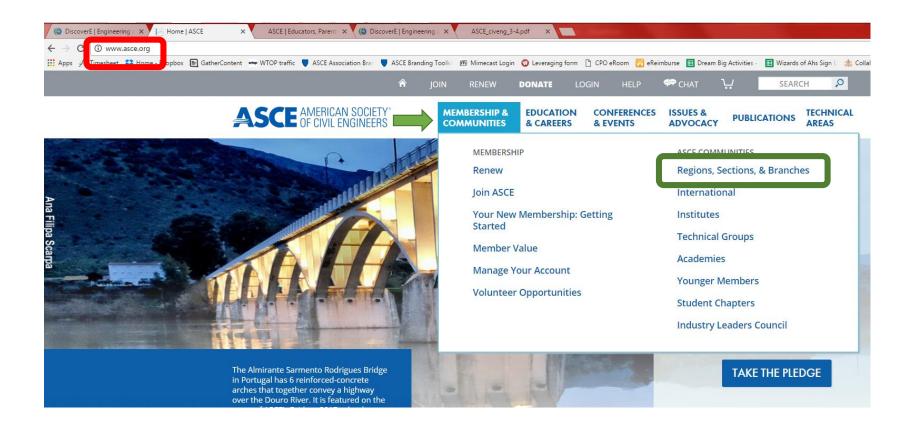
Finding local STEM presenters

- STEM professionals already use your library. Find them by putting up a recruitment flyer.
- Make connections with the local school system's science teachers.
- Some teachers may be willing to conduct a presentation themselves.
- Look for local hobby groups in astronomy, rocketry, rocks and minerals.

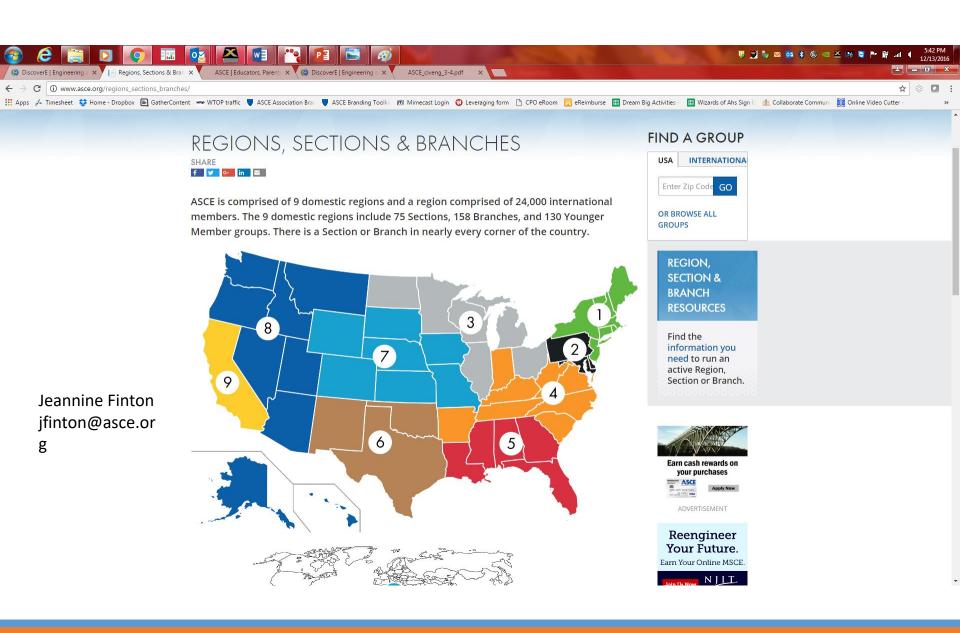




Finding an Civil Engineer









Finding Other Engineers and STEM Professionals

ACS	American Chemical Society	Acs.org
AISES	American Indian Science and Engineering Society	aises.org
AIAA	American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics	https://www.aiaa.org/
AIChE	American Institute of Chemical Engineers	http://www.aiche.org/
ASABE	American Society of Agricultural and Biological	http://www.asabe.org
	Engineers	
ASCE	American Society of Civil Engineers	http://www.asce.org/
ANS	American Nuclear Society	http://www.ans.org/
ASME	American Society of Mechanical Engineers	https://www.asme.org/
EWB-USA	Engineers Without Borders USA	http://www.ewb-usa.org/
IEEE-USA	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers	https://www.ieeeusa.org/
ISA	International Society of Automation	https://www.isa.org/
NAE	National Academy of Engineering	http://www.linkengineering.org/
NACE	Formerly known as: National Association of	http://www.nace.org/
International	Corrosion Engineers	
NSBE	National Society of Black Engineers	http://www.nsbe.org/home.aspx
NSPE	National Society of Professional Engineers	http://www.nspe.org/
SAME	Society of American Military Engineers	http://www.same.org/
SHPE	Society for Hispanic Professional Engineers	Shpe.org
AIME	The American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical,	http://www.aimehq.org/
	and Petroleum Engineers	
SWE	Society of Women Engineers	http://swe.org/
	Women in Biology	http://www.womeninbio.org



Guiding a New Volunteer

- Plan the program together. As a librarian you probably have experience with the audience and can guide the experience.
- Set clear time limits.
- Keep the focus on an activity, or end by showing the presenter's unusual collection.
- Allowing kids to move around, experiment, and/or touch objects is important!





Cautions



- Scientists and engineers may need some help explaining information on an age appropriate basis.
- Practice
- If you find a dud, don't give up. You may be able to work with this speaker to improve for the future, or at the very least you will have a better idea of how to pre-screen for the next time.



Finding Engineering Activities

For librarians or other presenters

Dream Big





Film Content

- Wind engineering
- LIDAR technology
- Humanitarian engineering
- Robotics
- Solar energy
- Flood barriers
- Earthquake engineering
- Bridges
- Smart cities
- Hyperloop





Dream Big Outreach Assets

- 45-minute IMAX feature film
- 50 hands on activities
- 15 lesson plans for school teachers
- 11 web videos
- Planning guides
- Community screenings in non-IMAX areas in 2018
- Discovere.org/dreambig

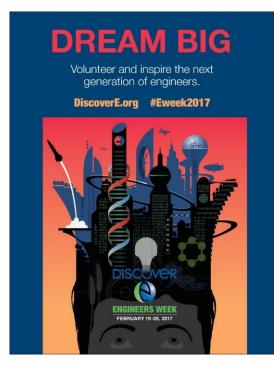






Discovere.org

- A coalition of over 100 engineering firms and societies
- Provides activities and programs that enhance engineering
- Over 420 activities in their database





Finding More Civil Engineering Activities



- ASCEville.org
- Site developed for ASCE
- Links to civil engineering activities, many through PBS



Questions?







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