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***Discover Space* Exhibit Now on Display at Anythink Brighton**

Learn About Space Science in this Fun, Interactive Exhibit

DENVER—October 27, 2009—As part of Anythink’s quest to inspire and delight each of its customers through interactive learning, Anythink Brighton is hosting *Discover Space*, an exhibit designed by the Space Science Institute, providing a fun, hands-on environment for individuals to learn about science and technology.

Discover Space includes two exhibit areas. *Space Storms* introduces audiences to space weather, covering topics such as sunspots, coronal mass ejections, and magnetic storms. This area includes a cut-away model of the Sun and several educational games. It also shows how space weather can harm astronauts, damage satellites, and disrupt power grids and communication systems on Earth. *Star Quest* explores how stars are born and how they die. Using a touch-screen computer, visitors can design interactive solar systems with planets, asteroid belts, and multiple suns.

The exhibit is on display at Anythink Brighton through January 2010. The Space Science Institute will offer various programs at the library throughout the next several months inspired by the *Discover Space* project.

Discover Space marks the launch of a pilot program to bring science and technology learning experiences to library visitors across the country. By focusing on areas that are not served by a science center, the exhibits can reach underserved communities. The pilot project will focus on Colorado, while a national version will include partners such as the American Library Association.

“SSI is a national leader in developing traveling science exhibitions. Now, with our *Discover Space* exhibit program for libraries, we’re bringing hands-on science to communities along the Front Range,” says Executive Director Paul Dusenbery, Space Science Institute. “We are excited about partnering with Anythink libraries to offer interactive programming to the residents of Brighton and Adams County, and we look forward to working with the Anythink Brighton staff as we train them on the exhibit and help develop future programming.”

The Space Science Institute, a Boulder-based non-profit organization, aims to integrate research with education and public outreach, promoting inquiry-based learning and science literacy. Its programs include traveling museum exhibitions, award-winning educational media, hands-on teaching resources and activities, and educator workshops. The funding for this project comes from the National Science Foundation.

This exhibit is free and open to the public during regular library hours. Visit us at Anythink Brighton, 327 E. Bridge Street, Brighton, CO 80601; or for more information, contact the library at 303-659-2572.

About Anythink™

Anythink is a new style of library – a place of unlimited imagination, where play inspires creativity and lifelong learning. Rangeview Library District serves the residents of Adams County with six Anythink libraries and [Anythink in Motion](#) – the district’s mobile library. Construction is underway on two new libraries scheduled to open in 2010. For more information, go to anythinklibraries.org.