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Maker Daytona Beach event coming to Deltona

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Following a Show N' Tell that drew more than 90 attendees to the Daytona Beach Regional Library on June 11, according to a press release from Maker Daytona Beach, the organization will bring its interactive showcase to the Deltona Regional Library on Thursday, July 16.

The free event invites community members of all ages to explore hands-on demonstrations in robotics, woodworking, art, astronomy, soldering and other creative activities. The June gathering featured members of the Volusia Woodworkers Guild, DeLand High School student Liam of Triforce Robotics, local astrophotographers, artists and hobbyists. Visitors also met Buster the Robot Dog from Bethune-Cookman University and Mechanoid the Library Droid.



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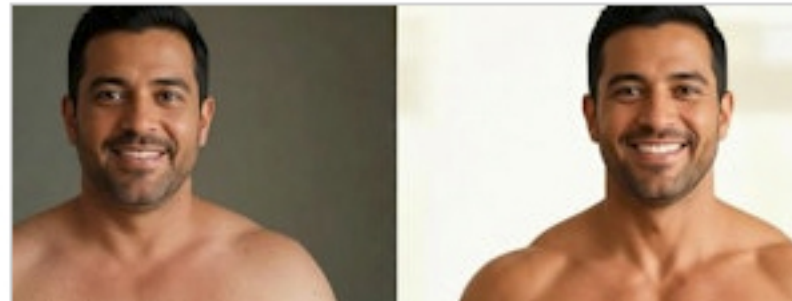
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