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*****MEDIA ADVISORY*****

Model Aircraft Enthusiasts Partner with the Northern Virginia UAS Academy to Host RoboFest 2015 with Flight Demonstrations, June 14

WARRENTON, Va. – On June 14, the Academy of Model Aeronautics, the world's largest organization representing those who fly model aircraft for recreation and educational purposes, and the Northern Virginia [UAS Academy](#) will host a flight demonstration for RoboFest 2015. This annual gathering of hundreds of model aircraft enthusiasts will highlight how this recreational activity is a vital tool for teaching science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).

The 2015 event will feature the DaVinci Challenge – a four day workshop that teaches school-aged children how to build and fly model aircraft, and encourages greater collaboration between parents, siblings, and teachers for hands-on education. The event will also include an open policy discussion on the FAA regulatory framework and standards for safe, responsible flying. At the end of the event, participants will have the opportunity to fly small unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) for fun.

Other sponsors of RoboFest 2015 include RTI, Lord Fairfax Community College, McKenna Long and the UAS America Fund.

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WHO:

Mark Dombroff, Partner, McKenna Long
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WHAT: Flight demonstrations of small UAS, discussion on the FAA regulatory framework and standards for safe, responsible flying

WHERE: UAS Academy, 4154 Weeks Dr Warrenton, VA 20187

WHEN: Sunday, June 14, 2015, 12:00 – 4:00 PM

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The Academy of Model Aeronautics, founded in 1936, continues to be devoted to national airspace safety. It serves as the nation's collective voice for approximately 176,000 modelers in 2,400 clubs in the United States and Puerto Rico. Headquartered in Muncie, Indiana, AMA is a membership organization representing those who fly model aircraft for recreation and educational purposes.