

## Jodi McKay

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### **Science and students flock to Sydney CBD**

This week's Science EXPOsed 2009 showcase will aim to prove to NSW high school students they can change the world through a career in science.

Nearly 1700 students from 55 NSW high schools will head to Sydney's CBD for Science EXPOsed, which will feature science exhibits at Hyde Park Barracks and talks and experiments at Parliament House, The Mint and the Australian Museum.

Minister for Science and Medical Research Jodi McKay said the three-day event, which starts today will give high school students the chance to take part in hands-on workshops with some of Australia's best scientists.

"Science EXPOsed shows how cool, edgy and exciting science can be," Ms McKay said.

"There will be forensic workshops with real-life Crime Scene Investigators, a robotics panel with world-leading experts and James O'Loughlin from ABC TV's The New Inventors will also be on hand to talk with students about their ideas.

"The event gives years 8 and 9 students from all over the State a fantastic opportunity to see science at work in the real world and to meet the people who are leading NSW into brave new research frontiers.

"The aim is to show that science careers are exciting and full of opportunity. We need to tap into our best resource – our young people – to make sure NSW remains Australia's clever State into the future."

Ms McKay said Science EXPOsed will extend to the weekend for the first time ever, with a full schedule of fun, hands-on activities available for families to experience at the Powerhouse Museum on Saturday 31 October.

"This is a great opportunity for parents and kids to get involved in Science and to explore the application of science in everyday life," Ms McKay said.

"We need more scientists and innovators to help us tackle the big environmental and health challenges facing the world. Inspiring our future scientists now is crucial."

To find out more on Science EXPOsed and to see a list of exhibitors, please visit <http://www.osmr.nsw.gov.au/scienceexposed>.