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AMA EXPO EAST: HANDS-ON MODEL AVIATION ACTIVITIES, SPEAKER SERIES IN SECAUCUS, NJ FEBRUARY 23 – 25

MUNCIE, Ind. – The Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) will host the annual AMA Expo East, presented by ReadyMadeRC.com, at the Meadowlands Exposition Center in Secaucus, New Jersey February 23 - 25. The three-day expo will provide new and seasoned hobbyists of all ages with hands-on opportunities to learn about building and flying model aircraft and drones. This includes flying demonstrations, FPV drone racing with the AMA flight simulator and more.

AMA Expo East will also include [Home School Day](#) on Friday, February 23. During this day, home school students will have a chance to experience RC flight simulators, try model and drone flying, watch RC boat demos and more. Kids will also be able to take home model airplane and rocket-building kits. Additional information about STEM and after-school programs will also be available at the event.

AMA Expo East will also include nearly [a hundred exhibitors](#), aviation and aerospace experts, as well as a featured speaker series, including:

- **Dave Wigley**, Military and Commercial Airline Pilot, Four Time Mr. Top Gun Winner: “Designing and Building Scale Models From Scratch”
- **Dan Kreigh**, AMA Life Member, Space Ship One Structural Engineer, and **Julian Guthrie**, Author, *How to Make a Spaceship: A Band of Renegades, an Epic Race, and the Birth of Private Spaceflight*: “How to Make a Spaceship. Start by Building Model Planes.”
- **Mason Hutchison**, AMA Member, “Building A Flying Football Field, An Insider’s Scoop on Stratolaunch”
- **Gene Engelgau**, CEO of Fruity Chutes

The full schedule is available [here](#). Sponsors of AMA Expo East include Ready Made RC, Castle Creations, the International RC Helicopter Association and Hobby King. Ticket details and pricing can be found [here](#).

Free admittance to this event is offered for kids 12 and under, uniformed Girl and Boy Scout, active military personnel with valid ID, Navy Sea Cadets and Civil Air Patrol.

What: AMA Expo East

When: Friday, February 23, 11:00 am – 5:00 pm
Saturday, February 24, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm
Sunday, February 25, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Where: Meadowlands Exposition Center
355 Plaza Drive
Secaucus, New Jersey 07094

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The Academy of Model Aeronautics, founded in 1936 serves as the nation's collective voice for approximately 200,000 modelers in more than 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 and drones for recreation and educational purposes.

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