Four after-school programs benefited from Art 2 Science activity sessions during the fall of 2012. The four sites served over 80 students in grades K-6. During the programs, students completed astronomy based art projects and learned valuable problem solving skills through make-n-take science projects such as flying fish and mini-bots.

JINA and NSCL partnered with REACH, a local art studio, to bring Art 2 Science to their Fall Creative Connections, an after-school program. The program culminated with an art show and tour of NSCL. JINA continued their programs at El Campito and Monroe Circle Community Center during the fall, adding projects developed for the 2012 summer camps. The last project was a holiday decoration in which students learned about circuitry and a pendulum as a switch to make the lights blink.

The event at the South Bend Center for the Homeless was a successful trial which we hope will develop into a long term program.

Above: Zach Constan explains astrophysics to the students at REACH. Below: Prototype for holiday lights

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