



May Science Cafe

## Germ-Free and Other Myths: Examining Antimicrobial Products

## Friday, May 20, 2011 5:30 - 6:30 pm Arizona Science Center

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Science Cafes are free, informal discussions that bring together members of the community and university scientists to discuss how science and technology can change the future.

In the typical cafe, each scientist speaks for 5-15 minutes on a topic, with the rest of the time for the public to ask questions and present concerns.

Teachers receive 1 hour professional development for each cafe attended.



Killing germs has become a national obsession, but are the chemicals in these products really safe for human health & the environment? Can we ever be germ-free? Would we really *want* to be germ-free?

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