What is the Mayborn Portal to the Public?
Portal to the Public is an NSF funded initiative to improve the effectiveness of science communication to the general public. This is done through informal science education in which scientists can collaborate to achieve common goals related to public engagement with science. The Mayborn Museum is a member of the National Portal to the Public Network.

What is involved?
◊ Attend two professional development workshops.
◊ Scheduling is flexible and location is decided by those involved.
◊ Work individually or with a team to develop a hands-on activity related to your current research.
◊ Eight hours of participation done under the guidance of Nancy Minter.

Who are Mayborn Educators?
Mayborn Educators are scientists, professors, engineers, graduate/undergraduate students, researchers, and other science-based professionals who have been certified by the Mayborn as current science ambassadors and excellent communicators.

How can I participate?
Contact:
Nancy Minter at (254-710-1217) or Nancy_Minter@baylor.edu

What are the benefits?
Professional Development
◊ Workshops are designed to enhance scientists' abilities to share their current work which includes opportunities for ongoing practice, feedback from peers and experts, self-reflection, and individual growth.
◊ Presentations are created to provide diverse work in which scientists can be involved.

Broader Impact
◊ Participate in face-to-face interactions with public audiences to share current scientific work with visitors at the Mayborn Museum.
◊ Receive professional development to enhance the ability to engage with a wide variety of audiences.
◊ Demonstrate the broader impacts of your work through multigenerational STEM education and out-reach.
◊ Receive professional documentation suitable for sharing with supervisors and for grant reporting. Utilizing Portal to the Public strengthens the broader impacts of national grant proposals (NSF, NIH, IMLS).