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Paramount Pictures

Be space cadets, too: Spock (Zachary Quinto, left) and James Kirk (Chris Pine) in 2009's film.

'Star Trek' show puts audience in Starfleet

In June, Kennedy Space Center visitors can boldly go where no man (or woman) has gone before.

They can participate in *STAR TREK LIVE*, a new stage show that melds special effects, space technology and audience interaction. The half-hour production from CBS Consumer Products and Mad Science Productions is based on the TV series-turned-film phenom and is due to open June 11. The audience will play cadets at Starfleet Academy learning to live and work in space. Then — oops! — come problems involving a threat from a Romulan. The audience, with the assistance of a Vulcan, must work together to avert the threat. Clips from the 2009 *Star Trek* movie will add to the experience.

"It makes for a perfect blend of cool *Star Trek* stuff and real present-day (space) stuff," says Leonard Lipes, Mad Science Productions managing director and producer of *STAR TREK LIVE*.

Five performances are scheduled daily at the Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex and are included in admission (\$38, adults; \$28, children 3-11, plus tax. Younger children enter free). For more information, go to madscience.org/stage shows; for space center information, visit kennedy.spacecenter.com or call 866-737-5235.

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