

Discovering the Universe with AstroTours



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Who Are We?

Toronto-based monthly astronomy public outreach event



featuring a public talk by an early career astronomer



followed by telescope viewing, lab tours, interactive exhibits, and more!



Lifting up Early Career Astronomers and Aspirants : At every step!

Team

Organization : An All Graduate Student Executive Team of 10 members

Volunteers : A mix of Undergraduate and Graduate Students

Speaker : Graduate Student or Postdoc



Training and Feedback

Practice Talks : Peer feedback on talks a week before event

Telescope Training : Training volunteers to operate celestron telescopes and dome telescopes

Demo Training : Training volunteers to present an assortment of interactive exhibits and demos to the public



The Event and After

Themed Events : Theming event exhibits on diversity months educates volunteers and organizers on social issues

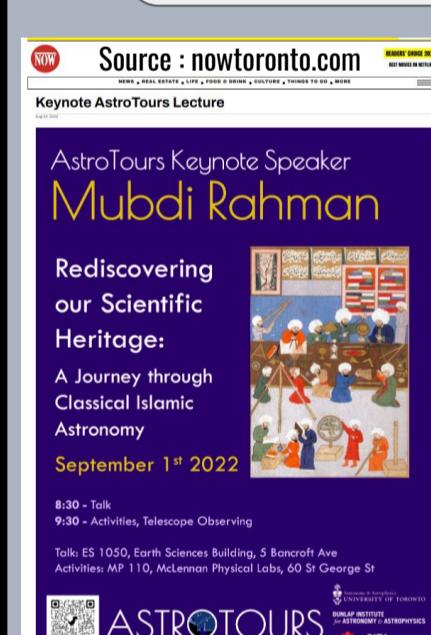
The AstroTours Network : Slack workspace helps past volunteers stay connected and boost their outreach network



Making Astronomy Approachable for All



Free, open for everyone, and a tourist attraction!



Roaming astronomers to answer questions at any skill level!



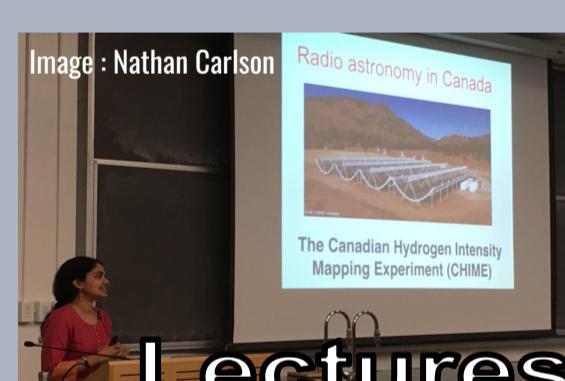
Talks are aimed at a high school skill level.



Variety of ways to learn about Astronomy such as:



Tactile Astronomy



Lectures



Lab tours



World Wide Telescope



Oculus Rift



Promoting Diversity and Inclusivity



Free and open to the general public!



Diverse speaker, executive, and volunteer base!



Themed events : Women in Astronomy, Earth Hour, Pride, and Islamic Astronomy events to highlight diverse researchers and increase awareness for the associated social issues.



Tactile astronomy and 3D printed telescopes!



Astronomy pride card game!



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