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Event Details

Saturday April 12, 2014
The Ontario Science Centre
770 Don Mills Rd.

Registration opens at noon
Activities open 1pm - 5pm

Full Event Details & Registration
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News Release

Toronto Youth Take On Space-Themed Tech This Weekend

Saturday April 13, 1pm-5pm at The Ontario Science Centre

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Toronto, ON — On Saturday April 12, kids between the ages of 9 and 15 are invited to let their inner astronauts and technologists shine at the NASA Youth Space Challenge, taking place at The Ontario Science Centre. For one afternoon, space-themed activities will be run by some of Toronto's leading tech organizations, including Hive Toronto, Mozilla, Kids Learning Code, FabSpaces and Meat Locker Editions.

For registration and other details, visit www.spaceappstoronto.com/youth.

Each station will bring galactic fantasies to life and teach valuable technical skills. Youth can edit space images of their choice in Pixlr and turn them into buttons; create storyboards of Mars missions with animated gifs using Remix the City; create alien languages with secret messages and a decoder; learn how to use Webmaker's free tools, Popcorn and Thimble, in remixing their own space projects; and even design their own comic strips.

"The NASA Youth Space Challenge is a very special opportunity for kids interested in space, science and technology," says Kathryn Meisner, Director of Hive Toronto. "It takes things they love—astronauts, rocketships, the possibility of aliens—and combines them with the new media and web tools becoming so important in the digital age."

Registration is free, but does not include regular Ontario Science Centre access, which is available at the regular rates. Bringing a laptop or other device per youth is recommended.

Parents and guardians are encouraged to register their youth before the event at <https://youthspaceappsto.eventbrite.ca>, but will also be able to register in-person at the Ontario Science Centre between noon and 1pm on Saturday.

The NASA Youth Space Challenge Toronto is made possible by the generous efforts of The Ontario Science Centre, TELUS, Hive Toronto, Mozilla and the Ontario Trillium Foundation.

This event is the official youth component of the NASA International Space Apps Challenge Toronto, a global hackathon taking place April 11-13 at The Ontario Science Centre. For more information on Space Apps Toronto, visit <http://spaceappstoronto.com>.