

THE LARGEST HACKATHON IN THE WORLD RETURNS FOR THIRD YEAR IN TORONTO: NASA INTERNATIONAL SPACE APPS CHALLENGE AT BNOTIONS

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Toronto, ON—The NASA International Space Apps Challenge returns for its third year in Toronto, this time at BNOTIONS' Studio, from April 10–12th. The hackathon attracts Toronto's top tech talent—developers, makers, engineers and entrepreneurs—who work non-stop for 48 hours to address 35 NASA-designed challenges. Toronto joins over 130 other cities hosting their own Space Apps Challenges that weekend, for an estimated total of 10,000 global participants. Last year, more than 8,000 hackers participated in 46 countries and 95 cities.

Two winning solutions will move on to compete with other winners from across the globe, to be judged by the NASA International Space Apps Challenge team. Last year, one of Toronto's local winning solutions, Sky Watch, went on to win internationally. Their team was invited to attend a rocket launch this past December.

"NASA's Space Apps Challenge is unlike any other hackathon around," says Space Apps Organizer James Costa. "The event presents hackers with important and compelling problems, the support to solve them well, and an international stage on which to showcase their talents."

HOW IT WORKS

The NASA International Space Apps Challenge Toronto opens Friday April 10th, when participants will meet, discuss challenges and form teams. For the next 48 hours, they will work tirelessly to build prototypes for presentation on Sunday April 12th. Participants will choose from the four following categories—Outer Space, Earth, Humans, and Robotics—and leverage both NASA's celestial data and a stellar roster of mentors to create practical solutions that improve life on Earth and in space.

The corresponding youth event, open to the public, will take place on April 11th at Ladies Learning Code The Lab, from 1pm-5pm.

ABOUT SPACE APPS TORONTO

Hackathon

Date: April 10th, 6pm - April 12th, 8pm

Location: BNOTIONS Studios

106 Front St E, Toronto

Youth Event

Date: April 11th, 1pm - 5pm

Location: Ladies Learning Code at The Lab

3rd Floor, 483 Queen St W.

Full Event Info & Registration

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