

ASTROFEST

Life in Space

Special weekend
programming

**Saturday
and Sunday
May 30 and 31**

Locations \ Times	10 a.m.	11 a.m.	12 p.m.	1 p.m.	2 p.m.	3 p.m.	4 p.m.	5 p.m.	6 p.m.	7 p.m.	8 p.m.	9 p.m.	10 p.m.	11 p.m.		
Outdoors	Observing the Sun														Marshmallows & telescopes	
Indoors	Scientific challenges, booths and festive activities															
AstroBistro		Crafts and astronomy workshops							Research through talks... and quizzes! <i>by Astronomy on Tap</i>							
Chaos Theatre									Lecture series <i>Life in Space</i>			DJ under the stars <i>by Soundshaper</i>				

*Sunday schedule

All AstroFest activities are free of charge!





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Observing the Sun

Observe striking phenomena on the Sun's surface using specialized, safe telescopes.

Outdoors, Saturday and Sunday, all day

Marshmallows & telescopes

Come roast marshmallows between sessions of stargazing through telescopes.

Outdoors, Saturday, 9 p.m. to midnight

DJ under the stars

Enjoy an immersive experience as you navigate among the stars in the 360° astronomy simulator, accompanied by Soundshaper's electroacoustic music.

At the Chaos Theatre, Saturday, 9 p.m. to midnight

Lectures series *Life in Space*

6 p.m. – Imminent Impact: From Space Dust to Planetary Defense

Auriane Egal, astrophysicist and scientific advisor | Planétarium de Montréal

From detecting an asteroid in space to recovering its fragments on Earth, discover the work of Auriane Egal — named *Scientifique de l'année 2025 de Radio Canada* (Scientist of the Year) — who studies these celestial bodies to better protect Earth and our satellites.

6:40 p.m. – Journey to New Worlds

Frédérique Baron, astrophysicist | Centre de recherche en astrophysique du Québec

Discover the fascinating world of exoplanets, those distant planets beyond our Solar System. Explore worlds with astonishing characteristics and the conditions that could make them habitable.

7:20 p.m. – Imminent Impact: From Space Dust to Planetary Defense

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8 p.m. – Canada in Space: From the International Space Station to Artemis II

Kumi Jinadasa, Lead Project Engineer and Mission Manager | Canadian Space Agency

A landmark lunar mission for Canada. With Artemis II, Jeremy Hansen became the first Canadian astronaut to travel to the Moon. From the International Space Station to major crewed missions, explore Artemis II and Canada's presence in space.

Festive activities

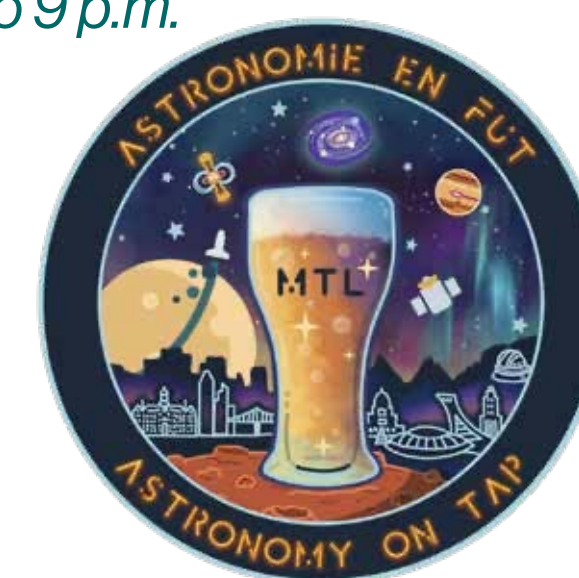
Face painting (free, all day)
Saturday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday, 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Storyteller
Saturday and Sunday at 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m. and 4 p.m.

Research through talks... and quizzes!

Discover the work of Montreal's emerging astrophysicists and immerse yourself in the excitement of Quebec's vibrant research community. Put your curiosity to the test with fun, interactive quizzes.

At the AstroBistro, Saturday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.



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Skywatching

Astroclub ASC-CSA

Observe the sky alongside members of the Canadian Space Agency's astronomy club.

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Observing the Sun

Club d'astronomie de Dorval

Observe sunspots alongside members of the Dorval Astronomy Club.

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Starry Sky Landscapes

François Quesnel

Discover the beauty of Québec's regions beneath the stars. Familiar landscapes take on a whole new appearance under the night sky.

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Understanding Space Weather for Your Northern Lights Hunt

Geostorm Forecasters

Make the most of your northern lights hunt with practical tips and scientific insights.

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Skywatching

Astronomie Plus

Observe the sky through specialized telescopes, by day and night.

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Observation and Fun Activities

Club d'astronomie Jupiter

Observe the sky by day and night while taking part in a variety of fun, colourful interactive games.

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Fighting Climate Change from Space

GHGSat

Learn how satellites help detect, measure and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

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Journey to Kepler-452b | Skywatching

Astropoly

Learn how to survive in space by completing interactive challenges and quizzes during an immersive mission to Kepler-452b.

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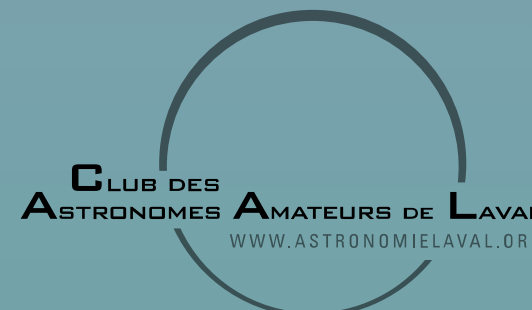
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Skywatching

Club des astronomes amateurs de Laval

Observe the sky through specialized telescopes, by day and night.

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Discover a Competition Rocket

Groupe Aérospatial de l'Université Laval

Discover the international competition rocket designed by students from Université Laval.

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Reading and Relaxation Corner

Bibliothèques de Montréal

Take a sensory break and recharge with reading recommendations about life in space.

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Astrophotography Exhibition

eva blue

Take a moment to experience the wonder of nature's most breathtaking sights.

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Astrophotography Exhibition

Khoa Tran

Explore a diverse astrophotography exhibition, including several images captured in urban settings.

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CanadaMoon

Canadian Space Society

Share your vision of Canada in space and on its journey to the Moon. Draw, write, colour, and take part in a collaborative art project.

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Navigating Through Space | Skywatching

Fédération des astronomes amateurs du Québec

Discover the sextant, a tool used by sailors to navigate the seas and by astronauts to navigate the sky.

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Rocket Engine Modelling

McGill Rocket Team

Discover how rocket injectors work using pipes and valves that propel water.

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Outdoor activities are weather dependent.

Activities could be offered on a limited schedule, depending on partner availability.



Virtual Tour of the Summit of Maunakea

Les télescopes canadiens à Hawaï

Put on a VR headset and tour the Gemini Observatory atop Mauna Kea in Hawai'i.

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Discover High-Power Rockets

Découvrir les fusées haute puissance

Learn more about high-power rockets at the RockÉTS student club booth.

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Science Fiction and the Reality of Extraterrestrial Life

Société d'Astronomie de Montréal

Discover the myths and realities of science fiction through an interactive presentation.

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Discover the Activities of Mont-Mégantic National Park and ASTROLab

Parc national du Mont-Mégantic - ASTROLab

Come discover Mont-Mégantic National Park, home to the world's first International Dark Sky Reserve, and its ASTROLab.

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Skywatching

Royal Astronomical Society of Canada, Montreal Centre

Discover the wonders of astronomy through telescopes and alongside passionate experts during a Sun and stargazing session.

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Skywatching

Société d'astronomie du Planétarium de Montréal

Observe the sky through specialized telescopes, by day and night.

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Interactive Booth on Light Pollution and Eco-Lighting

Parc national du Mont-Saint-Bruno

Learn about the challenges of light pollution and discover simple solutions you can apply at home.

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Living in Space: Mission Quiz

Science pour tous

Answer questions about life in space and advance through an interactive snakes-and-ladders-style game.

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Observing the Sun

Trottier Space Institute at McGill University

Observe the Sun through a telescope and discover whether it appears calm or displays striking sunspots.

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Create Your Own Star Map | Skywatching

Plateau Astro

Create your own night sky map and discover how other cultures viewed these same stars.

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ASTROBISTRO

SATURDAY 2 p.m.



Eggstronaut

SIRIUS

Build a landing capsule to protect your Eggstronaut. If your egg survives the fall without cracking, the mission is a success.

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ASTROBISTRO

SAT 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. | SUN 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.



From Observation to Science

Université Bishop's

From observation to science: discover how light, images and signals from the cosmos help us unlock the mysteries of the Universe.

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Astromobile and CubeSat

PolyOrbite

Discover the astromobile and CubeSat, outstanding examples of student-built space engineering.

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Astrophotography Exhibition | Skywatching

Société d'astronomie de la Montérégie

Share the joy of skywatching and discover the expertise of amateur astrophotographers from the Montérégie region.

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How to Photograph the Sky with Your Phone

Zenderfull

Capture the magic of the stars without complicated equipment. Learn how to master your phone's settings and discover the best apps to use.

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SATURDAY 4 p.m.



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