



BIG DIPPER ASTRONOMY WEEKEND 2022

Friday, October 28	
Check-in	Check-in starts at 4pm.
Ask an Astronomer	Have a burning question that you want to talk to an astronomer about? Come see us! Starts at 5:30pm.
Welcoming Program: Pre-Mission Prep	Welcome to the weekend from Manning Park Resort & RASC. Join us to get the run down of the event weekend and learn how to set up yourself up for success. Starts at 7pm.
Night Stargazing at Windy Joe's Field	Let's go look at the moon & stars! Join us in Windy Joe field, near the Resort, to look up. Some friends from RASC will be set up with a selection of telescopes for you to try.
Saturday, October 29	
Visual Astronomy - Equipment	Alan Jones, President of Vancouver RASC, will present different equipment that is needed to see the best of the night sky. Included in this presentation is a breakfast buffet.
Small Scopes, Big Pictures - Astrophotography on a Budget	In this workshop, we'll explore how to make great images from humble equipment. We'll look at gear and techniques for imaging the moon, planets, nebulae, galaxies, and even the sun right from our own backyards.
Visual Astronomy - Stellarium	Come join Robert Conrad, Vice-President of RASC, and learn the in's and out's of Stellarium, a free sky charting and animation application. Robert will also discuss how to use this application with your telescope. To get the most out of this presentation, we encourage you to bring your laptops.
Astro photography	Interested in Astrophotography, but not sure exactly where to start? Join our guest speaker, Rouzeh Bidshahri, in a presentation about where exactly to start, how to overcome some challenges and having the right location for the best results.
Night Stargazing at Cascades Lookout	Robert Conrad and Alan Jones will lead this night excursion at the Cascade Lookout, which offers the best location for star viewing, high above the Resort facing south. Catch our shuttle bus to the best view in the park!
Sunday, October 30	
Solar Viewing	Safely observe the sun using dedicated solar telescopes.

*Changes may occur without notice.

*Full schedule with timing will be available upon arrival.

* There are alternative plans in case of bad weather for stargazing.