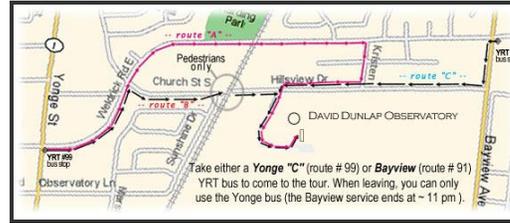


## Getting to the Observatory

The DDO is located at 123 Hillview Drive in Richmond Hill, just north of Toronto.



# DDOD ASTRONOMY PROGRAMS

## Astronomy Themed Speaker Nights

Evenings begin with a **40-minute illustrated presentation** within the Administration building on a variety of exciting astronomy topics and the history of the facility. Following the presentation, the **74" telescope** will be demonstrated. If the sky is clear, the dome will be opened and the telescope pointed to an interesting celestial object for the visitors to view. Although the sky is not always clear enough for viewing, **tours run regardless of the weather** (i.e. - a talk and demonstration of the 74" telescope are always provided). On clear nights, smaller telescopes may be available for celestial viewing; on cloudy nights, Visitors can attend a second presentation in our SkyLab for a simulation and discussion about the current nighttime sky.

**Age:** 13 and older

**Fee:** \$16.39 per person 15 and older,  
\$14.50 per person 14 and younger



Date	Time	Code
Saturday June 29	9:00-11:30pm	37463
Saturday July 6	9:00-11:30 pm	37464
Saturday July 6	10:00-12:30 pm	38157
Saturday August 3	9:00-11:30 pm	38158
Saturday August 31	8:30-11:00 pm	38159
Saturday August 31	9:30-12:30am	38159

## Space Fun!

Intended for families with younger children. We provide fun activities, crafts, story-telling and songs to help young minds discover the Universe. We explore something new every month! To ensure the most engagement, we require every child to be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

**Age:** Children between 3 to 7

**Fee:** \$11.30 per person 8 and older,  
\$10.00 per person 7 and younger



Date	Time	Code
Sunday July 14	2:00-3:00 pm	38163
Sunday July 14	3:30-4:30 pm	38383
Sunday August 11	2:00-3:00 pm	38164
Sunday August 11	3:30-4:30 pm	38384

## Astronomy Family Nights

These evenings are intended for families with school-age children. The program provides an age-appropriate talk where we invite questions and audience participation to learn about exciting discoveries and celestial events. The talk is followed by a demonstration of the 74" telescope with viewing through this and other smaller telescopes as weather permits, craft activities & a simulation of the nighttime sky in our SkyLab.

**Age:** 7 and older

**Fee:** \$16.39 per person 15 and older,  
\$14.50 per person 14 and younger



Date	Time	Code
Friday July 12	9:00-11:30 pm	37445
Friday July 26	9:00-11:30 pm	37448
Friday August 9	8:30-11:00 pm	37450

## Telescope Assessment

If you have a telescope that doesn't seem to be working properly, we can help! Participants get one-on-one advice about their telescope, its capabilities and limitations & recommendations on where it can be repaired (if necessary).

**Age:** 12 and older

**Fee:** \$4.52 per person 15 and older,  
\$4.00 per person 14 and younger



Date	Time	Code
Sunday September 1	2:00-4:30 pm	TBA

## How to use your Telescope

If you have a telescope and need some guidance on how to use it, we can help! Participants get one-on-one instruction on how to use their telescope by experts in the field of astronomy.

**Age:** 12 and older

**Fee:** \$4.52 per person 15 and older,  
\$4.00 per person 14 and younger

Date	Time	Code
Sunday September 1	7:00-10:30 pm	TBA

# DDOD GROUP BOOKINGS

## Youth Service Groups (Guides, etc.)

This evening program is primarily intended for youth service groups wishing to satisfy age-appropriate merit badge requirements for Astronomy, Space Science or other Astronomy-related outdoor components. Participants learn about astronomy and space exploration and will be taught to find their way around the nighttime sky. The program includes a visit to see and learn about the 74" telescope. This program supports requirements for Science as laid out in the Ontario Schools Curriculum. Participants leave with a craft project as appropriate for their age group.

**Fee:** \$200 for up to 20 people, \$10 per additional person

**Availability:** September - April, Monday - Thursday, starting at 6:30 or 7:00pm



## School Groups

This daytime program is offered most weekdays, consisting of an illustrated talk and discussion, and a demonstration of the 74" telescope. This program is designed to meet Grade 3, 6 and 9 Ontario Curriculum requirements for Earth and Space, Science, and Astronomy units at those grade levels in both the academic and applied streams. The Program can be tailored to other grade levels and specific content.

**Fee:** \$270 for up to 20 people, \$13.50 per additional person

**Availability:** September - June, Monday - Friday, Morning or Afternoon

## Special Interest Groups

This program is intended for community groups interested in learning about the Observatory's history & research highlights and can include a discussion about recent celestial events and discoveries, all explained in simple language.

**Fee:** \$270 for up to 20 people, \$13.50 per additional person

**Availability:** September - April, Monday - Thursday, Morning or Afternoon

