

## NORTH BAY GETS A MOMENT OF SPOOKTACULAR SCIENCE WITH THEIR 6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SCIENCE FESTIVAL

(**NORTH BAY, ON**) – The North Bay Science Festival has returned to North Bay just in time for the spooky season. The festival, free for all ages, will offer an opportunity to celebrate science in a fun and welcoming setting all week long – and this time you can expect some spooky science to get into the Halloween spirit! Join Science North and North Bay partners in celebrating science, technology, and innovation with activities taking place throughout North Bay. The Science Festival runs from Monday, October 23 to Saturday, October 28 in locations across the community including the Northern Ontario Youth Climate Action Summit at Canadore College, robotics workshop hosted by Lego FIRST at the North Bay library, haunted hikes by the North Bay Museum, and a spooky science carnival!

Don't forget to don your best Halloween costumes when visiting the weekend Spooktacular Science Carnival on October 28 at the M.L. Troy Armoury at 540 Chippewa St W. This FREE one-day community event from 11am-4pm highlights the exciting science happening in the North Bay region and provides families with the opportunity to participate in engaging and fun science, innovation, and technology activities through live science shows, hands-on activities, and entertainment.

This year, the North Bay Science Festival is a collaborative venture under the direction of Science North, in partnership with Canadore College, FIRST Robotics North Bay, North Bay Museum, North Bay Library, Les Compagnons des francs loisirs, and proudly affiliated with the Science Festival Alliance.

The North Bay Science Festival is made possible with the support of the Government of Canada and the GenAction initiative.

A full schedule of activities is available at sciencenorth.ca/nbscifest

## **Quotes:**

"In collaboration with our partners, we're thrilled to be bringing the 6<sup>th</sup> annual Science Festival to North Bay. This year we're happy to mix things up and bring a "spooky" twist, with the Science Festival taking place so close to Halloween. We hope you'll bring your friends and family out to enjoy a great week!" - Ashley Larose MSc, Science North CEO

North Bay Public Library is excited to be partnered with Science North to bring Spooky Science Week to North Bay! On Wednesday, October 25, 2023 from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm, North Bay Public Library, along with Science North and FIRST Robotics, will host a EV3 Lego Robotics Workshop for kids ages 6 to 13. No robotics or coding skills are required! "The North Bay Public Library is always looking for opportunities for program partnerships that support STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) learning goals."

- Library CEO and Chief Librarian Ravil Veli

"Canadore is excited to participate in the North Bay science festival through hosting the Northern Ontario Youth Climate Action Summit on our campus. We are looking forward to showcasing the incredible science happening here at Canadore to high school students while promoting the available career pathways in the region"

- Dr. Letitia Nadalin Penno, RN, Ph.D., MBA, MScN-APN, Dean Faculty of Environmental and Health Sciences, Canadore College North Bay, Parry Sound, Stanford Toronto

## **About Science North**

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