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## **11TH ANNUAL SCIENCE FESTIVAL SPRINGS INTO ACTION IN SAULT STE. MARIE**

**(SAULT STE. MARIE, ON)** – Get ready to spark your curiosity: the Sault Ste. Marie Science Festival returns for its 11th year from April 22 to April 26, bringing together science, technology, and exciting hands-on activities throughout the city. Proudly presented by Science North, this week-long festival offers events for all ages—inviting children, teens, and adults to explore, learn, and celebrate the wonders of science in an engaging, interactive environment.

Throughout the festival, visitors can connect with leading STEM educators, and industry professionals who will bring science to life through dynamic demonstrations, talks, and activities. Whether you're attending for the first time, or you've joined us every year, the Sault Ste. Marie Science Festival continues to highlight how science touches every aspect of our lives—and how fun it can be to discover something new.

For more information about The Sault Ste. Marie Science Festival visit [sciencenorth.ca/ssmscifest](https://sciencenorth.ca/ssmscifest)

The 11<sup>th</sup> annual Sault Ste. Marie science festival is a collaborative venture under the direction of Science North, in partnership with: Canadian Bushplane Heritage Centre, Invasive Species Centre, NORDIK (Northern Ontario Research, Development, Ideas and Knowledge), Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig, Sault Ste. Marie Public Library, Sault College, Sault Ste Marie Innovation Centre, Canadian Forest Service, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Parks Canada, and the Ontario Government.

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We also like to acknowledge the financial support of the Government of Canada and Public Health Agency of Canada towards Science Festival activities

### **Quotes:**

"The annual Sault Ste. Marie Science Festival is a great opportunity for Northern Ontarians of all ages to enjoy immersive events, exhibits and activities, all designed to spark a lifelong interest

in the STEM disciplines. Whether it's engaging with scientists, professionals and educators, or taking part in hands-on demonstrations – there's something for everyone. Congratulations to Science North and its partners for putting on another fun and stimulating STEM event in Northern Ontario." - **Stan Cho, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Gaming**

"I'm so happy to welcome the Sault Ste. Marie Science Festival back to our community for the 11th year. This event is a great opportunity for our youth to gain exposure with STEM activities in an exciting and dynamic way. This festival is a really wonderful way to bring some fun to the sciences and can help foster the next generation of innovation and discovery in our community. I look forward to supporting and enjoying these important activities. Thank you to Science North and their wonderful team for another great year!" - **Chris Scott, Member of Provincial Parliament for Sault Ste. Marie**

"The Sault Ste. Marie Science Festival offers fun and educational activities that spark curiosity in students while connecting them with local experts doing groundbreaking work across a range of scientific fields. It's a great way to showcase the exciting career paths available in science and technology, and I encourage participation in it."

-**Matthew Shoemaker, Sault Ste. Marie Mayor**

"The Sault Ste. Marie Science Festival is a vibrant celebration of curiosity, creativity, and community. Each year, we're proud to bring together partners, educators, and innovators to spark discovery in fun and meaningful ways. This festival showcases the power of science to inspire people of all ages—and reinforces Science North's commitment to connecting Northern communities through engaging STEM experiences."

- **Ashley Larose MSc, CEO, Science North**

"The Science Festival is such a great representation of so many community-driven partners and educators in Sault Ste. Marie. It's a showcase of the amazing and vast world of science!"

- **Jamie Hilsinger, Executive Director - Canadian Bushplane Heritage Centre.**

"We're thrilled to once again be able to share valuable knowledge about the prevention of invasive species in Canada alongside our local partners. Collaboration is key when it comes to conservation, and we encourage people in the area to get out to the events being offered during Science Festival this week." - **Colin Cassin, Executive Director- Invasive Species Centre.**

"The Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre is proud to continue its partnership with the Science Festival—an exciting, community-wide celebration of science and technology for all ages. As part of this collaboration, we're thrilled to once again host our annual ARTIE (Advanced Research & Technology Innovation Expo) event. Now in its 17th year, ARTIE brings together elementary school students for a dynamic, hands-on day of exploration and learning with local science and tech exhibitors. Inspiring curiosity and engaging youth in STEM has always been a core part of our mission. ARTIE reflects our longstanding commitment to fostering the next generation of innovators and leaders in science and technology."

- Taylor Trecroce, Director, Business Development & Services - Sault Ste. Marie  
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