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## Guest Presenter

**Peter McMahon**

**Wilderness Astronomer**



### Peter's bio

Award-winning space author and journalist Peter McMahon (a.k.a. *Wilderness Astronomer*) has written space features for outlets such as Reader's Digest, CTV News, Discovery Channel, Canadian Geographic, CAA, Today's Parent, OWL Magazine, Air Canada's enRoute, Frommer's travel, and many, many more.

Peter currently serves as a contributing editor for SkyNews: *The Canadian Magazine of Astronomy & Stargazing*, where writes the "Wilderness Astronomer" column each issue. He has also written science and space articles for Space Quarterly (the print companion to SpaceRef.com, an affiliate of Space.com), University Affairs Magazine, and Let's Talk Science. In February of 2010, he covered health science stories at the Vancouver Winter Games for CTVolympics.ca

In 2013, Peter worked for the Canadian Space Agency as "Chris Hadfield's science experiment biographer" (as *he* puts it), writing text for the CSA web site. He also wrote scripts for several the "Life in space" videos that Chris filmed in orbit, which have since garnered millions of views on YouTube (that likely had a little more to do with Chris than Peter.)



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