
LAUNCH

Observer's Handbook edition coming out

There will be an informal book launch for The Observer's Handbook, an annual publication of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada, during a meeting Friday at 8 p.m. at Saint Mary's University, Sobeys Building, Room SB255.

For the last five years, the handbook, now in its 108th year (circulation 9,000), has been edited in Halifax. Nova Scotia editors Dave Chapman (2012-16), Pat Kelly (2007-11) and Roy Bishop (1982-2000) will be at the launch, as will several contributors.

For this edition, the front cover photo of the night sky from Kejimikujik National Park was taken by Liverpool photographer

Chris Green, there is back cover original art by Nova Scotian Mi'kmaq artist Gerald Gloade and a guest editorial by Mi'kmaq cultural interpreter Cathy LeBlanc.

The handbook has 65 contributors and staff, and 10 are members of the society's Halifax Centre.