



Welcome to the 53rd Annual Users (Virtual) Meeting

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Defining the Decade

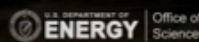
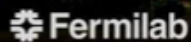
An inclusive gathering to highlight leading-edge science, celebrate Fermilab achievements and look to our future as a community

ALL community members (including non-Users) are welcome!

Please register as soon as possible at: <http://indico.fnal.gov/e/UAM20>



Cornet NEOWISE photo by Marty Murphy



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- When our committee started planning this last October, this was not at all what we imagined the Users Meeting would be like!
- In this difficult year of social isolation, economic uncertainty, professional limitations, and community unrest, we are pleased to provide a space for us all to gather, listen, learn, speak, grow, challenge, and be inspired.
- We have tried to plan a meeting that, as much as possible, **everyone** at Fermilab can be fully included in and actively enjoy!
- An opportunity to re-think the Users Meeting

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- This year's meeting theme is “**Defining the Decade**,” and that means we are looking to the future as a laboratory not just in scientific progress, but in progress within our own community as well.
- We think this is exemplified very well by Michael Childress, President of the Dupage County NAACP and our speaker on the topic of **Black Lives Matter**. We feel we cannot fully gather as a community without recognizing the divisions and struggles many of our community members must daily face and without doing the work together toward a more inclusive and equitable experience for us all.

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- Our community has always been both local and international, and there are many topics of burning interest. We have a session on **visas** with an immigration lawyer and our Global Services office.
- Additionally, we have sessions on **science communication** training, a scientific **job panel**, discussion on **sustainability** at Fermilab, and a “satellite session” from the **DOE**, in addition to two “excursions” in the form of expert **tours** of accelerator areas and the Fermilab prairie. There will also be a panel on the **Snowmass** community planning process for the future of high energy physics.

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- Our **scientific program** includes many excellent and innovative talks from the intensity, energy, and cosmic frontiers, as well as divisions and projects across the laboratory.
- New for this year, we have added several highly accessible “Introduction to...” talks intended to help **everyone at the lab**, from field expert to brand new, feel like they understand, appreciate, and are a part of the scientific mission of the laboratory.
- We think you’ll also enjoy the fun **virtual reality environment** of our Mozilla Hubs **poster session**, where your avatar can view innovative early career contributions which will go on to define the decade while mixing and mingling through live conversation with your coworkers and friends.

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- Also included is a very special session memorializing the life and contributions of **Alvin Tollestrup**. Please learn more and submit your own recollections here: <https://events.fnal.gov/honoring-alvin-tollestrup/>
- Finally, we also want to have some fun. We welcome special milestone **celebrations** of the 50th Anniversary of the Booster and the 25th Anniversary of the discovery of the Top Quark!



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Our confirmed keynote speaker for the Users Meeting is **NASA Astronaut Josh Cassada!**

Commander Cassada was also a high energy particle physicist who was a graduate student at Fermilab for 5 years, worked on CDF, and even spent time living in the Village! We could not be more excited to get him on board.



Festa Italiana Cooking Class

- Benvenuti!
this year's Festa Italiana goes virtual as well!
Connect via zoom and join the fun.
We will be hosting a live cooking class with "Al Dente pasta Workshop"
Join ahead of time to introduce yourself and greet new and old Fermilab's friends
Stay after the class to show off your dish and to start dinner together.
- Schedule:
 - 3:30pm Festa Italiana starts
 - 4pm - 6pm Cooking experience with Al Dente
 - 7pm Zoom meeting ends
- Please help us plan by submitting an RSVP here:
<https://forms.gle/vfSZUuRyhdyS129z6>

Send your pictures

Screencaps of interesting points, selfies enjoying the UM or of your viewing setup at home

Also looking for **pictures (headshots) of participants for a collage**. Please send a small image file to us of yourself!

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