

Café Scientifique Headingley

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Visiting the Universe from your back garden

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Outline: Have you ever been amazed by pictures of distant galaxies and nebulae from the Hubble telescope? Believe me this is nothing compared to the amazement you will feel when, with a little effort and relatively little expense, you take pictures yourself!

In these days of ubiquitous artificial lighting the night sky can be all but invisible to city dwellers. If we look up at the sky at all we will see only a handful of the very brightest stars. The thought of being able to photograph the wonders of the universe seems fanciful at best. What I will show in this talk is how astrophotography is not only possible but well within the compass of anyone who is prepared to put in a little bit of work.

Stephen Strickland is the secretary of Leeds Astronomical society, the oldest local astronomical society in the universe! A keen astronomer since (distant) childhood, he has a background in IT which is proving increasingly useful for the modern astronomer.

Venue: The New Headingley Club, 56 St Michael's Rd., Leeds LS6 3BG

Time: Club opens at 7:00pm for drinks & the room at 7:30; talk begins promptly at 7:45pm

Entry: Donation please for room hire and expenses: **£3 at the door**



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