



RCA Youth Astronomy Academy

The Rose City Astronomers is one of the largest amateur astronomy clubs in the country, and is committed to helping educate and enable anyone interested in astronomy to **reach for the stars** – as well as planets, galaxies, and nebulas. The **Youth Astronomy Academy** is a unique educational program developed by RCA volunteers for young students with an interest in learning more about astronomy, our universe and how to use a telescope to observe its many wonders.

Course Title

- **Introduction to Observing** – students will learn about objects astronomers look at in our universe and how to navigate the night sky to find planets, stars and other interesting objects with binoculars or a telescope.

Who can attend?

- Any student who is in the **fifth through eighth grade** during the Academy attended.

When will the next Academy be held? [Subject to minimum enrollment]

- **Spring 2016 Class Schedule:** February 20, March 19, April 16, May 14
- **Time:** 9:30 – 11:15 a.m.
- **Location:** Kennedy School Community Room, 5736 N.E. 33rd Ave., Portland, OR

Enrollment Fee (per class)

- RCA family or student member: **\$50**
- Non-RCA member: **\$62** for first class (which includes \$12 RCA Student Membership); **\$50** for subsequent class while a member.

What else will students receive?

- Enthusiastic and inspiring interaction with skilled amateur astronomers and other students.
- Opportunity to build their own telescope with help from RCA members (at additional cost).
- A Certificate of Achievement.

How do I apply to attend the Academy?

- Send an email to youth@rosecityastronomers.org to receive an application, or find one online at: <http://rosecityastronomers.org/signs/youthAA.htm>.

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