

Volunteer run, community organization promoting drone-focused STEM programs, sparking interest in the drone education & employment pipeline.

FOREST FURY – JOIN US APRIL 7TH!

Spectators are welcome at our 2019 FOREST FURY Team Drone Challenge on Sunday, April 7th! It will be an early morning for teams as they complete inspection, attend a team meeting & practice flying on this year's fields. Opening Ceremony is at 10:00am. Our hosts, SUNY AMA UMASC #15104 run the event with assistance from the SUNY Fabrication Club, SUNY 3D Printing & Design Club & CNY Drones. SUNY AMA is in the process of contacting area drone tech groups to offer exhibit space during our event. Join us for a day of flights & fury as teams attempt to conquer our 2 forest fire themed fields! See what students from high schools can accomplish using drone technology & how SUNY student clubs work together to make this STEM event special!



SPECTATOR INFORMATION – FREE ADMISSION!

Location: SUNY Polytechnic Institute Wildcat Field House

Directions & Map: available on our website

Spectator Parking: Lot C

Doors Open: 7:30am

Opening Ceremony: ~10:00am

Awards Ceremony: ~5:00pm

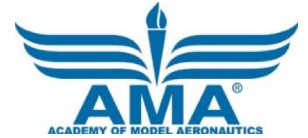
Special Considerations:

- Closed toe shoes & safety glasses required for entry into designated team pit areas
- Small children MUST be supervised at all times!

EXPERIENCE FPV - Whoops & Whoovers

FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 7-9PM

[Register now](#) for our 2-hour indoor introductory flying program that now includes both Tiny Whoop class drones and the opportunity to use our new Tiny Hovercraft! at Utica JCC. Experienced drone enthusiasts will share their knowledge & encourage newcomers to get involved in their sport. FPV flying gives attendees the feeling of being in the drone cockpit during flight. Limited to 10 participants. [Questions?](#)



**STEM CHAMPIONS
WELCOMED &
APPRECIATED!!!**

Ideas, volunteers & sponsors all help us provide our annual drone challenge & supporting programs! Get involved – be a champion!



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CNY Drones @RoboSpartans Robotics operates as a STEM group, graciously hosted under the 501(c)3 of the Griffiss Institute in cooperation with great community resources. We gladly accept monetary & non-monetary donations as well as new volunteers.

2019 SAFETY VIDEO AWARD

FREE! ENTER BY MARCH 23!

We're looking for individual students (age 11+), teams, classrooms, after-school programs and community groups to submit a 30, 60 or 90 second video for our Safety Video Award competition! **Submission deadline is Noon on March 23rd.** Winner will receive a trophy at the 2019 FOREST FURY Team Drone Challenge at SUNY Polytechnic Institute on April 7, 2019. Check out the new page with full instructions on our website: <https://www.cnydrones.org/>.



Kick-Off Workshops Take Over 4th Annual Drone Info Day!

FARM-i-GEDDON, our 2020 Team Drone Challenge, kicks off September 29th! In celebration of our 4th Annual Drone Info Day – we're turning the event on it's ear with something completely new! Instead of the usual drone exhibits, we're turning our day of discovery into a day of learning with mini-workshops to assist existing drone teams, prospective teams & potential team members! The

change is in response to competition growth & the need for a follow-up to the many public awareness programs that are becoming redundant. SUNY UMASC is inviting organizations previously involved in our Drone Info Day to exhibit during our Annual Team Drone Challenge in April. Learning stations under consideration include: Getting Started, Basic Flying Skills Overview, Becoming an AMA Member, Starting a Model Aviation Student Club, & Opportunities in Your Drone Tech Future! A LIVE build & initial flight of a competition drone will be a centerpiece of the event! Visit in person or view us online! Details will be posted starting in August.



ADD AN HOUR OF DRONE TECH TO YOUR SUMMER PROGRAM!

Contact us now - dates are filling in fast!

Our interactive presentation helps spark interest in drone technology while reviewing safety, educational options & future careers. Mentors share a variety of drones for use indoors and out, from photography to industrial applications, racing to freestyle. Participants can “fly-along” using our “First Person View” FPV goggles or view flights on a large screen display as our mentors fly indoor drones through obstacles. Get to know those who fly regularly and hear about their building & flying experiences. For ages 9+. Contact us for a quote! Check out our other programs on our [website!](#)

DRONE RACER? WANNABE RACER? WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

Contact CNY Drones MultiGP Drone Racing Coordinator, Paul Brown Paul@cnydrones.org or CNYDrones@gmail.com. Utica/Rome based volunteers are sought to form a drone racing committee. Meetings can be online or in person. Help us develop meet-ups and racing events. Our goal is to support MultiGP growth while funneling student interest into STEM programs. Anyone interested in participating in future races in the Utica/Rome area is encouraged to get involved. Our next collaboration with SUNY AMA is April 27th for the NEON Night Race – a great night time outdoor race at SUNY Polytechnic Institute Wildcat Field. Details to be listed on our website.

Help us with monetary & equipment donations, sponsor & grant leads, planning assistance & event volunteers! We are run by the community, for the community. We invite your ideas! CNYDrones@gmail.com