



The American Association of Variable Star Observers

AAVSO Annual Meeting

Waiver, Release, and Minor Participation Parent/Guardian Consent Form

Program of Participation: AAVSO's 2024 Annual Meeting
Minor presenter name: _____
Parent/guardian of minor name: _____
Relationship to minor: _____
Parent/guardian full address: _____
Parent/guardian email: _____
Parent/guardian preferred method of contact: _____

I _____, being the parent or legal guardian of _____ (hereafter referred to as "the minor"), and I (the minor), _____ being under the age of 18, in consideration for the minor's ability to participate as a presenter at the American Association of Variable Star Observers (AAVSO) Annual Meeting, consent to such participation and make the representations and promises herein, on which AAVSO is relying.

If the Minor is to attend the Annual Meeting in person, I understand the minor must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

I understand that presenting at the Annual Meeting is voluntary, and that time spent is uncompensated.

I am aware the presentation will be viewed by online and in-person Annual Meeting attendees, and that the presentation will be made available on a website and YouTube without restriction, and I consent to the minor presenting.

I have considered the risks inherent in participation, including, but not limited to, those arising from an online public presence and from travel to and from the Annual Meeting. The minor is participating willingly with full awareness of all risks associated therewith, with my permission, and voluntarily assumes all such risks.

I hereby release, waive, discharge, and covenant not to sue AAVSO, its directors, board officers, board members, contractors, agents, employees, and/or volunteers (hereinafter referred to as "Releasees") from and for any and all liability, claims, demands, and causes of action whatsoever arising out of or relating to any loss, damage, cost, expense, or injury, that may be

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sustained from or to the minor, or to any property belonging to the minor, in connection with the minor's presenting activities, participation in the Annual Meeting, and travel to and from the Annual Meeting. I further hereby agree to indemnify and save and hold harmless the Releasees and each of them, from any claims, losses, liabilities (including reasonable attorneys' fees and amounts paid in settlement of any claim), damages, or costs they may incur arising out of or in connection with the minor's actions or conduct, or resulting in any way from any act or omission on the minor's part.

I authorize and permit AAVSO to take, reproduce, use, exhibit, display, distribute, perform, broadcast, and/or publish photographs, audio recordings, and/or video recordings of the minor including his/her name, photograph, image, likeness, performance, voice, and/or written or captured statements and presentation (together the "Representations") in its brochures, newsletters, reports, electronic media, website and other publications for all purposes (including but not limited to fundraising, promotion, and program work) without further consideration or permission and without royalties or payment. I hereby further willingly consent to allow AAVSO to alter, modify, crop, treat, or create derivative works from the Representations at its discretion.

I hereby agree to release AAVSO and its directors, officers, employees and agents from any claims that may arise regarding the use of the Representations including, but not limited to, any claims of defamation, invasion of privacy, or infringement of moral rights, rights of publicity, or copyright, and I agree to indemnify and hold harmless AAVSO from any claims related to the use of the Representations.

I agree that AAVSO will have all ownership rights in, and final editorial authority over, the Representations. Neither I nor the minor expects to receive compensation for participating in the Annual Meeting or for future use of the Representations and I agree that neither of us is entitled to any such compensation.

I understand and agree that AAVSO reserves the right to make changes and cancellations to the Annual Meeting.

I understand and agree that this Waiver and Release is binding not only on me and the minor, but also on our respective agents, representatives, heirs, estates, beneficiaries, successors, and assigns.

I have read and understand that the minor must understand and abide by AAVSO's Ethics Policy and AAVSO's Event Policy (see <https://www.aavso.org/governing-documents>).

If my child is under 13, I acknowledge that AAVSO, in compliance with the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA), will not share the minor's personal contact information, including state (if applicable) and/or county of residence, without my consent.

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian Required

I have read this Agreement in its entirety and I fully understand all of its terms and conditions and their significance. I am at least 18 years of age and I voluntarily sign this Agreement.

Name of Parent/Legal Guardian (please print or type)

Parent/Legal Guardian Telephone

Parent/Legal Guardian Home Address

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

Date

Signature of Participant Required

I have read this Agreement in its entirety and I understand all of its terms and conditions and their significance. I agree to comply with all requirements and with the Code of Conduct. I voluntarily sign this Agreement.

Name of Participant (please print or type)

Participant Telephone

Participant Home Address

Signature of Participant

Date

Receipt by AAVSO Required

By:

Date

AAVSO
185 Alewife Brook Parkway
Suite 410
Cambridge, MA 02138

Please return this completed and signed Form with a photocopy of the front (and back, where applicable) of your (the parent's/guardian's) government-issued photo ID to:

Kathy Spirer
Operations Manager, AAVSO
Phone: +1 617 354-0484
Email: kspirer@aavso.org

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Kathy using the information above.