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Steve MacLean, Canadian Space Agency Astronaut, to Open 2007 Games

The Glengarry Highland Games are pleased to announce that Steve MacLean, Canadian Space Agency astronaut, will officially open the 60th Anniversary Games on Saturday, August 4, 2007.

Steve MacLean was born in Ottawa, Ontario. He attended primary and secondary schools in Ottawa, received a Bachelor of Science in Physics and a Doctorate in Physics from York University in Toronto, Ontario.

He was selected as one of the first six Canadian astronauts in 1983.

Missions and assignments

In 1992, Steve MacLean flew onboard Space Shuttle *Columbia* as a Payload Specialist for Mission STS-52. During this mission, he performed a set of seven experiments known as CANEX-2, which included an evaluation of the Space Vision System.



MacLean was the Chief Science Advisor for the International Space Station from 1993 until 1994, when he headed the Canadian Astronaut Program for two years.

In 1996 Steve MacLean began mission specialist training at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas. After successfully completing basic training in 1998, he continued with advanced training while fulfilling technical duties in the NASA Astronaut Office Robotics Branch. Later, he served as CapCom (Capsule Communicator), responsible for communications between ground controllers and astronauts for both the International Space Station (ISS) Program and the Shuttle Program, at the Johnson Space Center.

Steve MacLean went to space for the second time in September 2006 on Mission STS-115, serving as mission specialist on Space Shuttle *Atlantis*. MacLean became the first Canadian to operate Canadarm2 in space when the crew installed trusses and deployed solar array panels on the International Space Station. On this mission, Steve MacLean also became the second Canadian to walk in space.

The Glengarry Highland Games take great pleasure in inviting you to join our Guest of Honour, Steve MacLean, as he leads our celebration of 60 years of proud Scottish tradition.