



Sir John C. McLennan, Ph.D., June 13, 1900.

Celebrating 100 Years of Graduate Physics

The Department of Physics at the University of Toronto was founded in 1887. The graduate program followed soon afterwards with the establishment of the requirements for the degree of Ph.D. in 1897. John C. McLennan completed these requirements in 1900, receiving the first Ph.D. conferred on a student in the physical sciences in Canada on June 13, 1900. McLennan went on to become a professor of Physics and director of the Physical Laboratory at the University of Toronto until the early 1930's. His research interests included liquid helium, superconductivity, atomic spectroscopy, the exploration of natural radioactivity, and the study of atmospheric conductivity. This year we are celebrating the centennial of McLennan's degree.

You are invited to help us celebrate at the following events:

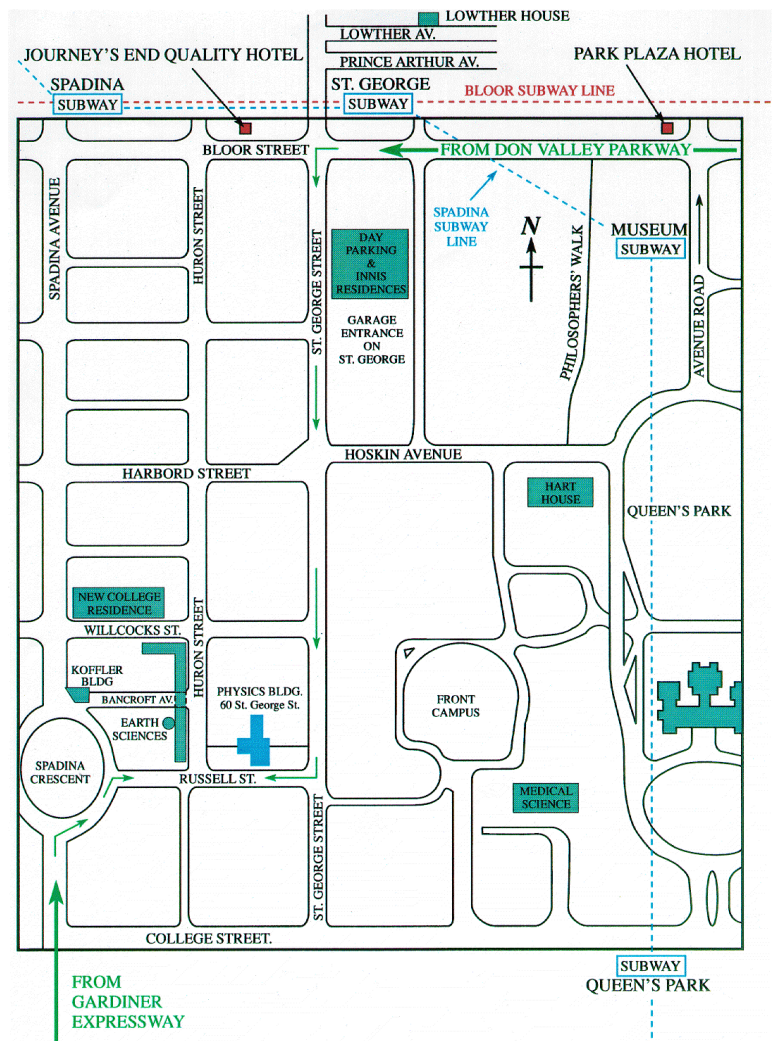
McLennan Centennial Lecture
“An Overview of Physics in the 20th Century” by Nobel laureate Charles H. Townes of the University of California, Berkeley

**7:30 PM, Friday, May 12, 2000,
Earth Sciences Auditorium,
Russell Street**

Physics Open House

Talks and tours of research labs in atmospheric physics, condensed matter physics, geophysics, high energy physics, laser physics, and nonlinear physics.

**10 AM to 4 PM, Sunday, May 14,
2000, McLennan Physical Labs,
60 St. George Street**



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