

The Armagh Observatory Grounds and Astropark

The Armagh Observatory is a modern astronomical research institute, founded by Archbishop Richard Robinson in 1790 as part of his dream to see the creation of a university in the City of Armagh. The Observatory stands close to the centre of the City of Armagh together with the Armagh Planetarium in approximately 14 acres of attractive, landscaped grounds known as the Armagh Astropark

The Observatory Grounds and Astropark include scale models of the Solar System and the Universe, two sundials and two historic telescopes, as well as telescope domes and other outdoor exhibits.

A new public outreach facility, the Armagh Human Orrery, is located south of the main building.

The Observatory's Library and Archives, and its specialist collection of scientific instruments illustrating the development of astronomy over more than two hundred years, rank amongst the leading collections of their kind in the British Isles.

The Grounds and Astropark are open all year round; group tours of the Observatory, Grounds and Astropark can be arranged by appointment. For more information telephone 028 3752 2928 or visit the Armagh Observatory websites <http://star.arm.ac.uk/> and <http://climate.arm.ac.uk/>.

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4. Hill of Infinity

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2. Solar System

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9. Phenology Garden

1. Armagh Planetarium