Special Physics Colloquium:
Communicating Breakthrough Science

Monday, September 21st, 2020
12:30 PM EST

Please join us for a special panel discussion on communicating breakthrough science to the public. The discussion will be moderated by Andrew Millis, Professor of Physics at Columbia University and co-director of the Center for Computational Quantum Physics at the Flatiron Institute.

Brian Greene
Columbia University Physics and Math
Professor Greene has been a professor and theoretical physicist at Columbia University since 1996. He directs the Institute for Strings, Cosmology and Astroparticle Physics. In 2008, he founded the World Science Festival, an annual event in NYC each summer. Professor Greene has authored several books on theoretical physics, including The Elegant Universe, The Hidden Reality and The Fabric of the Cosmos, the latter of which became a PBS television special.

Dennis Overbye
The New York Times
Mr. Overbye's reporting can range from zero-gravity fashion shows and science in the movies to the status of Pluto, the death of the Earth and the fate of the universe. He has been covering the universe for more than 30 years, but lately he professes to be amazed that a huge chunk of his work is devoted to two topics: planets beyond the solar system and dark energy. He lives with his wife, Nancy, and daughter, Mira, in Morningside Heights. In their house, he reports, Pluto is still a planet.

Andrea Taroni
Chief Editor, Nature
Andrea joined Nature Physics in 2014, having previously worked for Nature Communications and Nature Materials. A graduate of University College London, he completed his PhD in statistical physics. Following a short stint at the École Normale Supérieure de Lyon in France, he undertook postdoctoral work at Uppsala University in Sweden, investigating the dynamics of low-dimensional magnetic systems.