



NEIL DEGRASSE TYSON

BIOGRAPHY



Neil DeGrasse Tyson (English Neil deGrasse Tyson, October 5, 1958, New York) is an American astrophysicist, PhD in physics, writer, popularizer of science, scientist. From 1996 to present, he is director of the Hayden Planetarium at the American Museum of Natural History in Manhattan. From 2006 to 2011, he directed the educational television show NOVA scienceNOW (English) on the PBS channel, and was also a frequent guest on the television shows The Daily Show, The Colbert Report and Jeopardy

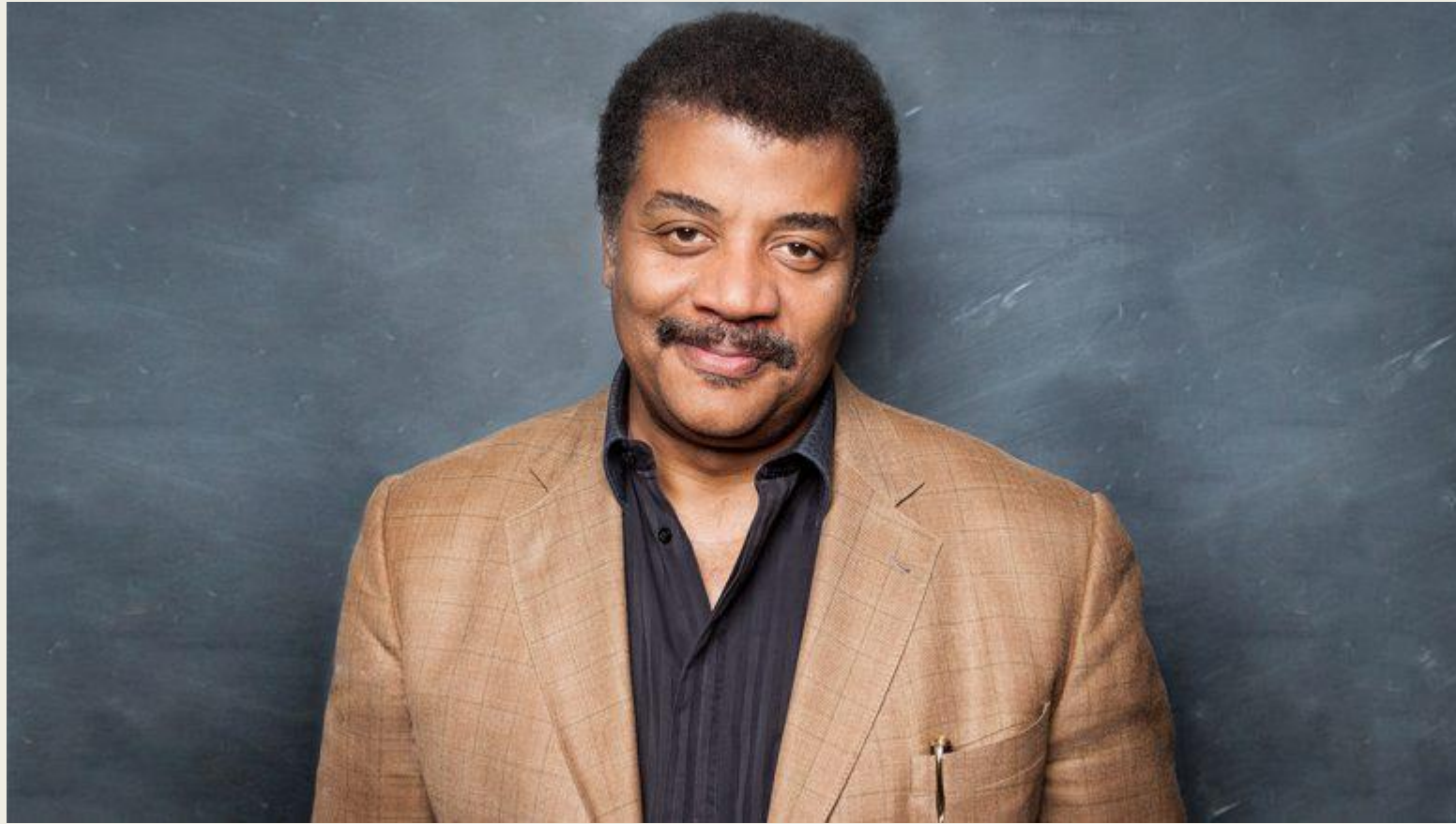
EARLY LIFE AND STUDIES

- Neil Degross Tyson was born in New York, he is the second child in the family with three children. His father, Cyril DeGrasse Tyson, a sociologist, worked as the head of the personnel department for the Mayor of New York, John Lindsay. His mother, Sanchita Feliciano Tyson, is a gerontologist.



- Tyson graduated from the middle, with a scientific bias. Thaison was interested in astronomy from an early age - and with obsession studied by her teenager - after all, even got some fame in the community of astronomers and lectured on this topic at the age of 15 years. Tyson said that his interest in astronomy began from the moment he climbed to the top floor of his house in New York City (called "Skyview Apartments") and looked at the moon through binoculars.

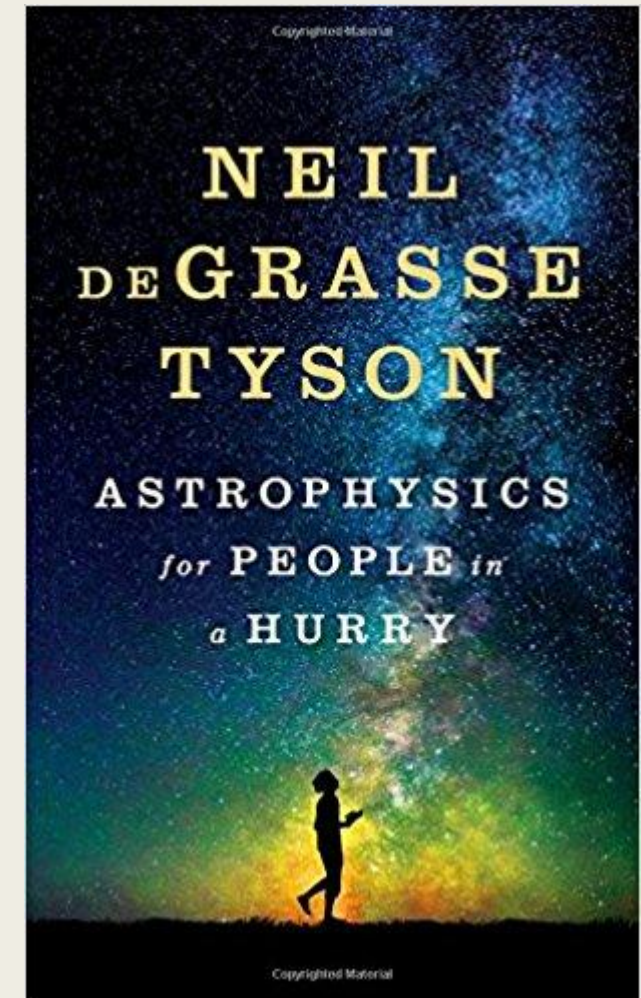




- He started his doctoral program at the University of Texas, but moved to Columbia University in 1988, where he received his doctorate in astrophysics in 1991. Tyson also participates in the NASA Knowledge Sharing Academy.

CAREER

- Tyson wrote a number of popular books on astronomy. In 1995, he began to lead the column "The Universe" in the Journal of Natural History (English Natural History). In the magazine column where he was the author in 2002, Tyson introduced the term "Manhattanhenge" to describe two days of the year, when in the evening the sun sets in the same direction as the streets in Manhattan, which makes it possible to see the sunset if you look along the street. In 2001, President George W. Bush appointed Tyson to the Commission on the Development of the US Aerospace Industry and in 2004 to the Presidential Commission for the Exploration of the Cosmos Policy, better known as the "Moon, Mars and More" Commission. Soon Tyson was awarded the NASA Honorary Medal of Honor "For Outstanding Public Service", the highest civilian award of NASA.





- Tyson is a critic of string theory, his opposition opinion is based on the excessive support of string theory on mathematical predictions to the detriment of the quantities being checked. In 2007, Tyson, known for his colorful character, fun and trembling before the immensity of the universe, was elected permanent presenter in the popular TV series "The Universe" on the channel History Channel. DC Comics asked Tyson to find a planet that meets the characteristics of Krypton. Around the red dwarf LHS 2520 a planet, similar to Superman's homeland, rotates. Neil Tyson appeared in the comic in the role of himself, trying to help Clark find Krypton (Action Comics # 14 went on sale on November 7, 2012). Tyson often appears on the screen and in entertainment programs. He played himself in the series "Stargate: Atlantis" and "The Big Bang Theory". Archival footage with him used in the film "Europa Report". Also, Neil Degrass Tyson starred in the movie "Batman vs. Superman" in 2016, playing the role of himself in it. He appears in the scene of discussing the question of Superman, when Clark Kent watched the news on TV. In this scene, he expresses the opinion of the stranger.