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## How to run a science cafe

Friday 7 August 2015 17:00 (20 minutes)

Science cafes are informal public events in which scientists and other professional researchers gather to present and/or discuss current research with members of the lay public. Science cafes are most frequently geared towards adults, but can be designed for other age ranges. During this session, RELATE Co-Founders Elyse Aurbach and Katherine Prater will describe how to start a science cafe series, including a discussion about the most valuable components for a successful event.

RELATE is a science communication training and public engagement initiative that facilitates conversations between researchers and local communities. During our practice-based workshop, graduate students and early career researchers develop lay-audience communication skills and create an original portfolio of digital media and oral presentations. Workshop participants put their communication skills into action and engage with Southeastern Michigan communities both online and through our public engagement events.

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## **Oral or Poster Presentation**

Oral

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