

# Grant Tremblay: Candidate for Vice-President

**Affiliation:** Center for Astrophysics | Harvard & Smithsonian

**Position/Title:** Astrophysicist

**PhD institution:** Rochester Institute of Technology, 2011

**Areas of scientific interest:**

- Star formation amid kinetic and radiative feedback from supermassive black holes
- Galaxy clusters and their central galaxies, the intracluster medium
- Galaxy formation, evolution, and dynamics
- Space Policy and mission development (Lynx X-ray Observatory, Europa Lander, etc.)



**AAS and/or Division leadership positions and dates:**

- AAS Agent, 2015 – 2017, Yale University

**Other relevant positions, experience, and dates:**

- Chair, 2022 – 2023, NASA Physics of the Cosmos Program Analysis Group Executive Committee
- Vice-Chair, 2021 – 2022, NASA Physics of the Cosmos Program Analysis Group Executive Committee

**Statement:**

This is the most remarkable time in the recent history of our field. We're (slowly) coming together again following nearly two years of isolation from family, friends, and colleagues. We've witnessed how this pain has been more acutely felt by early career scientists and those marginalized from our field, which suffers from the same fractal injustices that are systemic to society as a whole. It is also a time of optimism and opportunity: JWST is our new great time machine in the sky, poised to crack open an entirely new discovery space. It has launched in the wake of a profound Astro2020 Report, whose visionary recommendations for space- and ground-based projects are eclipsed only by the State of the Profession priorities that can help guide our field toward a more inclusive future for all explorers.

I am honored by the nomination to serve as an AAS Vice President as we look toward the coming few years. They will be the first in a new epoch for our field, which we hope will be one

of discovery, opportunity, and inclusivity. If elected, I will work alongside our Board of Trustees to help shape AAS policy in a manner that maximally represents these ideals. Yes, this means curating scientific programs for our meetings that are true celebrations of the manifold brilliance of all within it. We must heighten focus on voices from all career stages, all career paths, and most especially all communities, particularly those marginalized by our field and historically underrepresented at AAS meetings. We must work to better understand and advocate for the needs of our community, particularly in a post-COVID world. These needs couple to (future) AAS policy in countless ways, from details as small as increased support for future hybrid meetings (as well as e.g., greater childcare and travel support for under-resourced colleagues and institutions). In the broader sense, though, it means helping to shape the future of the AAS as a more powerful and more inclusive avatar for our community as a whole. I'm ready to work, listen, and serve.

You can read more about my experience and biography here: [www.granttremblay.com](http://www.granttremblay.com)