

Toronto April 2018

The Toronto Section met at Ryerson University on 17 April with 55 attendees. The meeting, organized by Section Manager Andrew Thomas, kicked off with a quick introduction about the NAB show, providing information on the number of attendees and vendors. Thomas then moderated a panel of four industry experts who discussed what they saw at the show. The panelists covered trends such as internet protocol (IP) and the new SMPTE ST 2110 suite of standards, virtual reality, augmented reality, ultrahigh-definition (UHD)/8K,



Panelists at the Toronto Section's 2018 NAB Show recap. (L-R) Paul Briscoe, Rob Poretti, Paul Stechly, and Brian Young.




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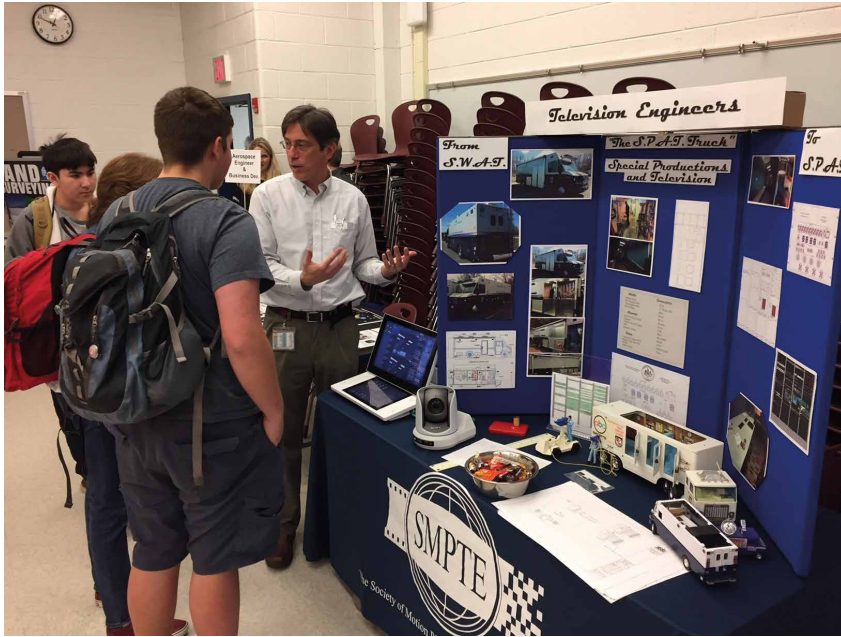
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and high dynamic range. Brian Young of Vistek discussed cameras and camera-related technology. Paul Stechly covered a broad range of topics including ST 2110 and ATSC 3.0. Rob Poretti of Solotech talked about audio products, solid state drive storage, and light-emitting diode screens. Paul Briscoe discussed the IP showcase and also commented on ATSC 3.0 and its place in Canada.

*—Andrew Thomas, Section
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Washington, D.C. April 2018

After the success of its Media Forward event in March, at the McDonogh School in Owings Mills, MD, the Washington, D.C., Section continued its outreach to students at Woodson High School in Fairfax, VA, on 18 April. Greg Smalfelt, Educational Outreach Committee for the Section, attended the W. T. Woodson Career Day to talk to high school students about careers in television, specifically television engineering. The Section was one of the 43 tables with representatives of all



Greg Smalfelt talks to Woodson High School students about careers in television engineering as part of the Washington, D.C., Section's educational outreach.

professions, from animators to surveyors. Smalfelt spoke to students about system design, troubleshooting, signal flow, and the variety of opportunities in television engineering. Students got the opportunity to technical-direct on a small switcher, and engaged in conversation about the size and scale of various mobile productions and their requirements. Students also inquired about the degrees and certifications needed to pursue television engineering as a career and compensation for those in the industry. Smalfelt discussed these topics, informing students on the various paths one can take to become an engineer of video systems. More than 620 Woodson High School students, from freshmen to seniors, attended the event. SMPTE

—Greg Smalfelt, Section Educational Outreach Committee

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