

We're providing the following announcement because we believe it will be of particular interest to our members, and the organizers are offering a discount code for GBC/ACM members. The conference is not sponsored or affiliated with either ACM or Greater Boston Chapter ACM. Please note, the sponsoring organization is in the process of filing for non-profit status and currently supports NumFOCUS, a 501(c)3 non-profit.

The Open Data Science Conference (<http://opendatascicon.com>) will be in Boston on May 30-31.

In broad strokes, the Open Data Science Conference is a 1000-plus-person event, focused around the languages, tools, and topics of data science. We will cover everything from R and Python, to SQL and Hadoop, to machine learning, predictive analytics, and other topics.

We have a fantastic line-up of over 70 speakers including:

- Owen Zhang (#1 Kagglor, DataRobot)
- Wes McKinney (pandas, Cloudera)
- Jared Lander (R for Everyone)
- Lynn Root (PyLadies SF, Spotify)
- Josh Wills (Hadoop, Cloudera)
- Anna Herlihy (PyMongo)
- Allen Downey (Think Python, Think Stats, Think Bayes)
- Max Kuhn (caret and 5 other R pkgs, Pfizer)
- James Hanusa (Burning Man Project)
- Catherine Havasi (Luminoso)
- and many more ...

For professionals in related fields who are interested in all the buzz about Data Science but have little to no experience, there is a great opportunity to get a taste of what Data Science is from our pre-conference introductory boot camps. These will give novices exposure to data science staples like R, Python, and Machine Learning, and let others brush up on rusty skills. Overall, there will be six preliminary boot camps for beginners in data science - three in Boston and three in New York. We will also have workshops during the conference.

All of these sessions are included in the cost of the conference.

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Bird pricing. Whatever price they select, using the promotional code **MEETODSC2015** will discount their price (Full, Early Bird, Student, etc!) by an additional 5%. That could add up to over 50% off of the full price!

We have made sure that our ticket prices are very reasonable relative to other big conferences so that people can afford to come. These discounts make it even more affordable.

Users can register here: <http://opendatascicon.eventbrite.com>

Looking forward to seeing you at ODSC!

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