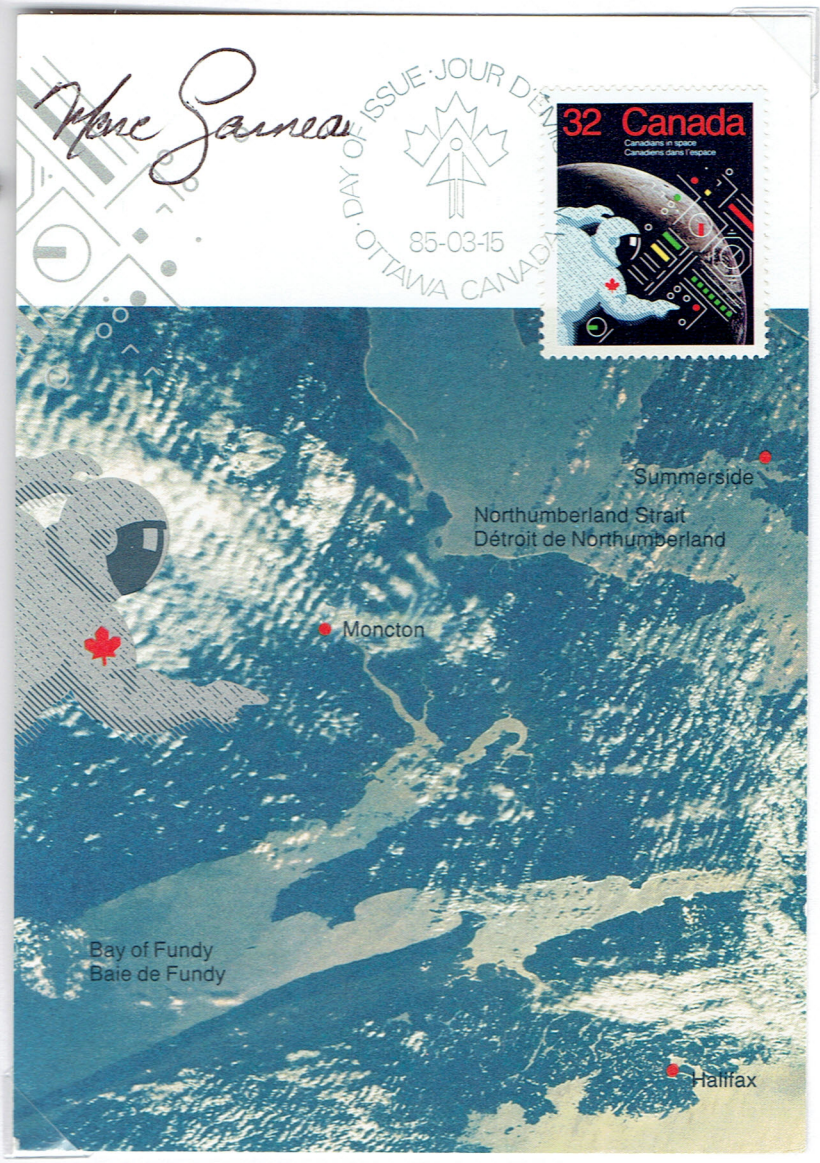
Marc Garneau's first space mission was on NASA's **Space Transport System** (**STS**) **41-G**. Upon its launch, he became the first Canadian in outer space on October 5th, 1984. He was a Payload Specialist on this mission. This "**mission patch**" was designed by all members of the mission, a NASA tradition that was started in 1965 (Gemini 5). On this patch are the names of all crew members (Robert **Crippen**, Jon **McBride**, Kathryn **Sullivan**, Sally **Ride**, David **Leestma**, Paul **Sully-Power** and **Garneau**). This was the first Shuttle mission with seven crew members.



This (**autographed**) postcard was issued on March 15th, 1985, to mark the historic achievement of '**Canadians in Space**'. In typical Canadian fashion, this stamp showing an astronaut and control panel floating above the Earth, was to celebrate all our achievements in space. Unfortunately, Marc Garneau is only implied graphically because Canada Post had yet to relax its policy of not depicting living person's, except the reigning Monarch, on any postage stamps. This policy was relaxed since 2002.

This patch is also from Garneau's first space mission (**STS 41-G**), it is called a "**personal mission patch**". These are designed by each astronaut to reflect their personal view or relevance of their mission before heading into space.

Garneau returned from this mission after eight days in space, on October 13th, 1984. The Space Shuttle used on this mission was the "**Challenger**".