

Department of Astronomy, University of Maryland

Observatory Open House Schedule

Spring 2009

Our *Open House* program will continue this spring just as it has for the last 40 years. Come see local astronomers give a short 35-minute presentation about their research or other new developments in astronomy! The talk is then followed by observing through the telescopes, weather permitting.

Questions?

For more information, check out the Observatory webpages at www.astro.umd.edu/openhouse or call 301-405-6555.

Observatory Open Houses are free. Families/individuals do not need reservations. However we ask that if you have a group larger than 10 people, please call 301-405-6555 to make special arrangements at least two weeks in advance.

Date & Time	Speaker	Talk Title
5 January 8:00 pm	Dr. Patrick Harrington	Is There a Planetary Nebula in the Sun's Future?
20 January 8:00 pm	Elizabeth Warner	International Year of Astronomy 2009
5 February 8:00 pm	Dr. Chris Reynolds	Einstein in a twist: the life and times of a spinning black hole
20 February 8:00 pm	Lisa Wei	Morphological Evolution of Galaxies: Young to Old, and Old to Young
5 March 8:00 pm	Dr. Joe Lazio, NRL	Lunar Radio Astronomy
20 March 8:00 pm	Misty LaVigne & Dr. Peter Teuben	Astro-photography techniques, using telescopes to point-and-shoot
5 April 8:00 pm	Megan DeCesar	Pulsars: The Universal Timekeepers
20 April 8:00 pm	Mia Bovill	Inside the Soap Bubbles: Looking for Galaxies in the Voids
SNEAK PEEK at the Summer Schedule!		
5 May 9:00 pm	Dr. Gerald Share	The High-Energy Sun
20 May 9:00 pm	Dr. Rob Olling	Searching for Other Solar Systems with the Space Interferometry Mission

Other special events for the spring:

- Wed, 28 Jan [New Telescope Owner Night](#) 6 - 9pm, Observatory
- Sat, 31 Jan [New Telescope Owner Night](#) 6 - 9pm, Observatory
- 2-5 April [100 Hours of Astronomy](#) details TBD
- Sat, 25 Apr [Maryland Day](#) 10am - 4pm, on campus
- Sat, ?? May [Astronomy Day](#) TBD

Details for special events will be posted on our website!

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