

# Department of Astronomy, University of Maryland

## Observatory Open House Schedule

### Summer 2012

Our *Open House* program will continue this summer just as it has for the last 48 years. Come see local astronomers give a short 30-minute presentation about their research or other new developments in astronomy! The talk is then followed by observing through the telescopes, weather permitting.

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. *Group tours are by appointment!*

#### Questions?

For more information, check out the Observatory webpages at [www.astro.umd.edu/openhouse](http://www.astro.umd.edu/openhouse) or call 301-405-6555.

Date & Time	Speaker	Talk Title
5 May 9:00 pm	Dr. Drake Deming	Exoplanets
20 May 9:00 pm	Hannah Krug	Quasars, Blazars, and Seyferts: Oh My!
5 June 5-9:00 pm	Transit of Venus	(Special program on campus, see website for details!)
20 June 9:00 pm	Jessica Donaldson	Techniques for Detecting Exoplanets
5 July 9:00 pm	Dr. Tim Livengood	Beneath a Watery Moon
20 July 9:00 pm	Dr. Sonali J. Shukla	Dust to Dust: The life cycles of stars
5 August 9:00 pm	Jade Williams	What's Happening in the Coma of Comet 103P/Hartley 2?
20 August 9:00 pm	Dr. Kevin Rauch	Do we live in a parallel universe?
<b>SNEAK PEEK at the Fall Schedule!</b>		
5 September 9:00 pm	Dr. Cole Miller	Faster, Hotter, Denser: the Lives of Neutron Stars
20 September 9:00 pm	Carole Downey & Erin Kisliuk	The H-R Diagram

Other special events for the summer and next fall:

Learn the Sky Nights

6 nights starting 21 May

Transit of Venus

5 Jun, details *tba*

***Details for special events will be posted on our website!***

Information: Call 301-405-6555 for more information,  
or check out the Observatory web site at

[www.astro.umd.edu/openhouse](http://www.astro.umd.edu/openhouse)  
and on Facebook as 'UM Observatory'