

Department of Astronomy, University of Maryland

Observatory Open House Schedule

Spring 2012

Our *Open House* program will continue this spring just as it has for the last 45+ 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**.

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. Melissa Hayes-Gehrke	How do astronomers know how big asteroids are?
20 January 8:00 pm	Anne Lohfink	The Black Hole in the Center of Our Galaxy
5 February 8:00 pm	Jade Williams	Sunny with a Chance of Cloudiness... at a Comet
20 February 8:00 pm	Dr. Matthew Knight	Death Defying Comet Lovejoy
5 March 8:00 pm	Dr. Javier Garcia	An X-ray view of Black Holes=
20 March 8:00 pm	Megan DeCesar	Pulsars
5 April 8:00 pm	Alex McCormick	Galactic Winds
20 April 8:00 pm	Dr. Sebastien Besse	Seeing the Moon in a New Light
SNEAK PEEK at the Summer Schedule!		
5 May 9:00 pm	Dr. Drake Deming	Exoplanets
20 May 9:00 pm	Hannah Krug	Quasars, Blazars, and Seyferts; Oh My!

Other special events for the spring:

- Wed, 25 Jan [New Telescope Owner Night](#) 6 - 9pm, Observatory
- Sat, 28 Jan [New Telescope Owner Night](#) 6 - 9pm, Observatory
- Sat, 28 Apr [Maryland Day](#) 10am - 4pm, on campus
- Tue, 5 Jun Transit of Venus details TBA

Details for special events will be posted on our website!

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