Jean’s Corner
A Note From The Director

Dear UWM Planetarium friends:

If you were at A Celestial Celebration to honor the 50th anniversary of the UWM Planetarium, thank you!

What an elegant occasion: beautiful flowers in tall vases to accent the gorgeous atrium in the new KIRC building; lovely music of UWM Collegium Musicum; awesome items in our silent auction (restaurant gift certificates to original art pieces); a splendid meal that culminated in a stellar dessert complete with nebula and solar flares; a movie that highlighted the impact the UWM Planetarium has in our community; a cartoon that showed how we envision the future of the UWM Planetarium; premiering the new software UNIVIEW that simulates space flight and helps visualize the scale of the universe; stargazing at the equator. The whole evening was a triumph. The silent auction alone raised $1,300!

I look forward to other occasions to celebrate our golden anniversary. Stay tuned!

I hope to see you soon under the stars,

Jean
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Online Donations GLITCH!

We are so happy to see the number of donations coming in from our friends in the community! We were made aware that if you have donated through the website, your donation may not have been received. After pressing “submit”, there is a second step to confirm your donation. If you have donated to the Planetarium in the past few months online, we kindly ask that you check your bank statements to make sure your gift to us has gone through.

Thank you to all of those who have supported the Planetarium with their donation! If you haven’t made a donation yet, we cheerfully accept donations in person or online: http://uwm.edu/planetarium/give/

Thank you to the business for supporting the Planetarium’s Celestial Celebration with their generous donations!


Journey to Jupiter

*Wed, Thur, Fri, July 13 - 15 & 20 - 22*

7-7:55pm | $5

Take a trip to Jupiter and discover the theories behind the creation of the giant. Learn about NASA’s Juno mission to Jupiter and how it hopes to give us clues on not just how Jupiter formed, but the rest of the solar system as well. Audiences will also learn about prior missions to Jupiter including Galileo, and Voyager 1 & 2.

At 6 pm, prior to each show, enjoy cosmic sundaes at an ice cream social with the purchase of a ticket.

AstroBreak

Select Wednesdays | FREE

12:15-12:45 p.m.

May 4

*Monsters Among Giants: The Story of Active Galaxies*

Speaker: Associate Professor, Philip Chang

>What are active galaxies and how are they different from their more prosaic non-active siblings?

May 11

*Neutron Stars*

Speaker: Postdoctoral Researcher, Ryan Lang

>When big stars die, they dramatically explode and leave behind very strange remnants called neutron stars. These stars have about as much mass as the sun but are only the size of a small city. Come find out what we have already learned about these exotic objects and what we hope to discover in the future.

May 25

*A Year in Space*

Speaker: Planetarium staff

>Learn about Scott Kelly’s year on the International Space Station. See some of his pictures and find out about the effects a year in orbit has had on his body relative to his Earthbound twin brother.

June 1

*A Night of Stars*

Speaker: Planetarium staff, Charo Martin-Kingsby

>Get ready for beautiful summer nights: a whole show on stars and constellations!

STARGAZING

Join us on the observing deck as we peer through telescopes at the stars, planets, and moons. Visit our website for directions to the observing deck. Hot chocolate available for purchase.

9-10pm • BLITZ Mon - Thurs: May 2 - 5