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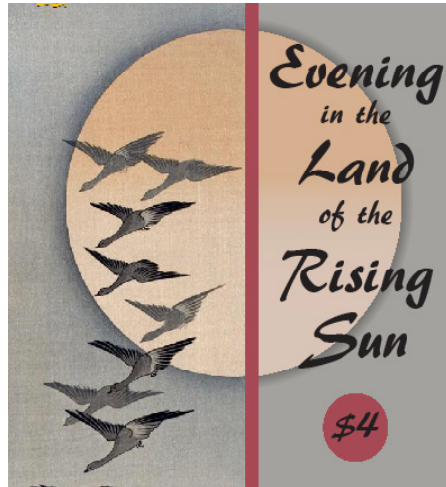
Current Show

Evening in the Land of the Rising Sun

Fridays, March 24-May 5, 2017

6:00 - 8:00 pm | \$4

The Japanese Program in the UW-Milwaukee Department of Foreign Languages and Literature share their tradition of the Spring Festival with the UWM Planetarium. Starting at 6 p.m., enjoy food, activities and presentations. Then join us at 7 p.m. for a planetarium show about Japanese culture and the stars.



Exploring Islam: Under the Stars

Thursday, March 9, 2017

6:00 - 8:00 pm | FREE!

A celebration of Muslim identity and Muslim culture around the world as well as the significant astronomical topics pertaining to Islam illustrated through music, stargazing, and multimedia. FREE snacks will be provided!



Jean's Corner

A Note From The Director



Dear UWM Planetarium friend:

February was a huge leap towards bringing larger and more diverse crowds to the Planetarium. In celebration of Black History Month, we held a special event, A Celebration of African Culture, along with 4 unique Astrobreaks on different countries in Africa. These Astrobreaks saw some of the highest attendance in months.

My staff is especially excited for a new spring break show we are planning for this month. Instead of taking a trip to somewhere warmer, we are planning our own vacation to Hawaii inside the planetarium (with many cheesy props of course)!

Continued effort is being put towards streamlining all the fun behind-the-scenes work. I hope that by making our processes more straightforward we can both get new staff working on fun projects sooner and offer more events to the public. We are also looking to invest in a new lamp for our star projector, so any donations to the planetarium will allow us to brighten up the stars!

I hope to see you soon under the stars,

Jean

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Lei Under the Stars

March 15, 16, 17, 2017

7:00 - 8:00 pm | \$5

Is the Wisconsin winter lasting a little too long? Well fear no more, the planetarium is going to take you all the way down to Hawaii in our exclusive Spring Break show! Explore the beautiful beaches and mountains of Hawaii, and then see what the night sky looks like from a more tropical location!



An African Escape

In honor of Black History Month, we hosted A Celebration of African Culture for the very first time! The event included African inspired dancing, food, and festivities. Looking to the future, we hope these special events will hold a regular place at the Planetarium to share the stars with everyone.



AstroBreak

Select Wednesdays | FREE
12:15-12:45 p.m.

March 1

Stellar Women (I)

Speaker: Danielle, Kristina, Sarah
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March 8

Stellar Women (II)

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March 29

Interstellar Medium (I)

>There isn't just empty space between the stars. The material between stars, called the interstellar medium or ISM, is mostly gas and dust and can have an enormous range of temperatures and densities.

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.

8-9pm • March 1, 15, & 29

FREE