

THE SCOBEE EDUCATION CENTER & PLANETARIUM Spring 2024 Friday Night Public Show Schedule



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Public shows at the Scobee Planetarium are presented only on Friday evenings.

NOTE: Although, San Antonio College's address is listed as 1819 N. Main Ave, our building is located toward the center of campus across from the Candler Gym complex. The phone number is 210-486-0100. Parking is **free** in unreserved spaces in the parking garage #3 located at the traffic light at 1198 San Pedro Avenue at W. Myrtle Street.

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Each Friday of public programming:

** 8:00 p.m. – "THE SKY TONIGHT" – Children must be 6 and above to attend. This program takes the audience on a "live" tour of the wonders of the San Antonio sky. The show highlights the Moon, the evening and morning planets, plus we'll identify several of the brightest stars and constellations visible in the current sky. The Sky Tonight is a "live" lecture. Show duration: 45-50 minutes. All three shows' tickets are on sale on line one week in advance, while ticket booth sales begin at 6:00pm on Friday evening. **This show is always provided as scheduled. All other shows will change monthly.

FEBRUARY

6:30 p.m. – **"SECRET OF THE CARDBOARD ROCKET"** – *This is our family show. All ages may attend.* Embark on a celestial adventure as two children tour the solar system inside their "cardboard spaceship" with the help of their navigator - a talking astronomy book. Produced with state-of-the-art animation, astronauts of all ages will enjoy this imaginary journey to the sun and each of the planets. Plus, recently re-classified Pluto is included in our journey. Show duration: 40 minutes. All tickets go on sale 6:00PM.

9:30 p.m. – "MARS: ONE THOUSAND AND ONE" – *Children must be 6 and above to attend*. An international crew of astronauts is about to embark on the first interplanetary journey in history, the first manned mission to the surface of Mars. Witness firsthand their brave attempts to put human footprints on Mars and return safely to Earth. Show duration: 1 hour.

MARCH/APRIL (Closed for Spring Break March 15th, Good Friday March 29th, and Fiesta Battle of the Roses Parade April 26th)

6:30 p.m. – "PERFECT LITTLE PLANET" – *This is our family show. All ages may attend.* A family from another star system is embarking on the ultimate space vacation looking for the perfect spot to rest and relax. Join them and see the solar system from a distinctly different point of view. *Show duration: 40 minutes. All tickets go on sale in the ticket booth at 6:00pm.*

9:30 p.m. - DOUBLE FEATURE, "DYNAMIC EARTH" AND "SECRETS OF THE SUN"

"DYNAMIC EARTH" – *Children must be 6 and above to attend.* Explore the inner workings of Earth's climate system. With visualizations based on satellite monitoring data and advanced supercomputer simulations, this cutting-edge production follows a trail of energy that flows from the Sun into the interlocking systems that shape our climate: the atmosphere, oceans, and the biosphere. Audiences will ride along on swirling ocean and wind currents, dive into the heart of a monster hurricane, come face-to-face with sharks and gigantic whales, and fly into roiling volcanoes.

"SECRETS OF THE SUN" – Children must be 6 and above to attend. An intimate look at the roles the Sun plays in the life of our Solar System. From the nuclear forces churning at the heart of the Sun to the mass ejections of solar material into surrounding space, we experience the power of the Sun and its impact of the planets and ultimately life on Earth. We trace the Sun's life cycle, going back to its beginnings and moving forward in time to its eventual death. Show duration for double feature: 1 hour.

<u>MAY</u>

6:30 p.m. – "ATTACK OF THE SPACE PIRATES" – *This is our family show. All ages may attend.* Prepare for some galactic fun as the crew of the spaceship 'Intrepid' race to recover a lost technology, a device that will revolutionize our travels through the Milky Way. Battle cosmic "bad guys" and visit alien worlds, exploding stars, and a black hole as we attempt to evade the space pirate. *Show duration: 40 minutes.* <u>WARNING: This show contains some action scenes and loud explosions that may be unsuitable</u> for some audience members. Viewer discretion is advised. All tickets go on sale in the ticket booth at 6:00pm.

9:30 p.m. - DOUBLE FEATURE, "SECRET LIVES OF STARS" AND "VIOLENT UNIVERSE"

"SECRET LIVES OF STARS" – Children must be 6 and above to attend. Not all stars are created equal. Some are massive. Others are tiny; almost insignificant. The specific characteristics of a star will determine what type of life it will lead, how long it might live and even the type of death it will die. We will witness the amazing variety of stars and peer into their secret lives. Narrated by Sir Patrick Stewart of TV's Star Trek: The Next Generation.

"VIOLENT UNIVERSE" – Children must be 6 and above to attend. The beauty of a starlit sky conceals the violent forces at work within our universe. From the upheaval of a giant star that explodes to release its material into space, to a future encounter between the Earth and a large asteroid that passes too close for comfort, we will witness that hold the universe together and occasionally try to rip it apart. Narrated by Sir Patrick Stewart of TV's Star Trek: The Next Generation. Show duration for double feature: 1 hour.

<u>Tickets</u> - The Lackey Camp Casper Ticket booth sales at the center will be available starting at 6:00pm each Friday evening for the shows available on that evening. Capacity is exactly 101 seats. Come early. Shows start promptly and late admission is not permitted. Tickets are sold online through the planetarium web site beginning the Saturday prior to the Friday night show date. Tickets sold through the ticket booth begin at 6:00pm each Friday evening. It is recommended that guests check the web site ticket sales to

confirm availability. Parents, please do not ask us to waive the age restrictions for the 8:00pm and 9:30pm shows.

Adults 18 and above - \$6.00 per show

Students, faculty, & staff of Alamo Colleges - \$3.00 per show with current ID

Children under 17/ Seniors 65 and above/ Military with ID - \$5.00 per show

Discounted sales on site at the ticket booth only

SPRING TERM EVENTS

March 11th – March 15th – Alamo Colleges Spring Break – No public shows March 29th – Easter Holiday – No public shows April 5th – Private Smithsonian Tours Event Public shows at 6:00, 8:30 & 9:30 No observatory viewing April 8th – Total Solar Eclipse Watch Party at Northwest Vista College April 19th – Santikos Micronaut Center "Fiesta de la Tierra" Public Family Micronaut Mission April 26th – Fiesta Battle of the Roses Parade – No public shows

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