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05.20.16 volunteer update

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KUDOS

Thanks a ton to everyone who came in on Sunday, May 15, and endured the crazy traffic due to the Colfax Marathon! And kudos to everyone this week who has been working with thousands of school kids everyday. Last but not least, thanks to Sam and Naomi for running a spectacular Mars Biotech Training on Monday!

SPACE ODYSSEY VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION DINNER
Monday, June 13, 2016

6 PM to 9 PM

Southeast Atrium

RSVP to Dave Blumenstock by May 30th.

Space Odyssey volunteers can bring one guest. Please join us for our annual celebration where we celebrate you: Space Odyssey volunteers and your incredible contributions to the Denver Museum of Nature & Science! We'll have a Mexican-themed buffet dinner, some brief presentations and then off to the Gates Planetarium to travel around the cosmos.

HELP NEEDED: JUNE 16 SCIENCE LOUNGE

This Science Lounge is "[Colorful Chemistry](#)" and is about using light to analyze our world. We need help with facilitating SOS, and Infrared Experiments/Exploring Light area. Note that the Spectroscopy cart will be used by Dimitri Klebe for this event. The schedule for this evening starts at 5:30 with dinner/briefing in the Upper Trex. These events typically draw around 500 guests. The event opens to guests at 6:30 and ends at 9:30. Please let me know if you'd like to help out.

HELP NEEDED: JUNE 21 MEMBER NIGHT

If you're available, we need help in Space Odyssey for this Member Night event. We could use 6-10 people in the exhibit. Most of the Museum will be open this night and we typically get around 1000 member guests in attendance. The schedule is as follows: 5 PM: Meet for dinner and briefing in the Upper Trex Cafe; 6 PM event begins; 9 PM event ends. Please let me know if you'd like to help. These events are a lot of fun if you haven't done one before, so I highly recommend it. Thanks!

HELP NEEDED: JULY 21 SCIENCE LOUNGE

For this Science Lounge, "Unveiling Jupiter," the subject is...Jupiter--given that the [Juno mission](#) will be very relevant at this time. In Space Odyssey, we still need help with SOS, Experiment Bar, and Meteorite Cart. This event starts at 5:30 with dinner/ briefing in the Upper Trex; the event opens to guests at 6:30 and ends at 9:30. Please let me know if you'd like to help out. Thanks!

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR LARRY DOUGLAS ON MAY 21

Below is information from Anne regarding the memorial service for Larry. For those interested in making a donation in Larry's memory to the Volunteer Fund, here is the link to the online site: <https://secure1.dmns.org/products/355-donate-to-the-volunteer-fund.aspx>

Larry's memorial service is going to be on May 21 at 2:00 p.m. in Warren United Methodist Church, 14th and Gilpin, with a reception to follow. Out of towners - please think of Anne and Larry this day.

No flowers. Memorial gifts may be made to the Denver Museum of Nature and Science Volunteer Endowment Fund, 2001 Colorado Blvd, Denver, CO 80205 or using the website above. Thank you all.

HELP WANTED: SPECIALIZED GEOLOGY VOLUNTEER POSITION AT DMNS
[Click here](#) to learn more about this position and to apply. If you have questions, email Dr. Dimitri Klebe at Dimitri.Klebe@dmns.org.

ON THE WEB

[Go See Our Own Naomi Pequette Do Science Stand-up!](#)
[Dancing Couscous](#)
[Martian Seasons](#)
[Virtual ISS](#)

SCFD COMMUNITY FREE DAY CALENDAR

The Museum is offering 12 Community Free Days in 2016, made possible by the Scientific & Cultural Facilities District. As part of the Museum's agreement to receive funds from SCFD, which account for a significant portion of the Museum's operating budget, the Museum offers these Free Days throughout the year to allow those who can't afford admission the privilege to visit DMNS. To see the dates for all the Free Days and to learn more about SCFD, [click here](#).

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IPAD USAGE AND GAMES

Just a friendly reminder that loading or playing games on any of the iPads or computers, except for the Xbox Mars Lander game, is not permitted. The iPads are for facilitation purposes related directly to the content we teach in the exhibit. However, if you have an idea for an app that would be helpful to use with guests, please email me first before loading it onto an iPad or computer. If you have any questions about this, please let me know. Thanks!

SCIENCE ON A SPHERE UPDATE

We are trying to track down and fix all the "missing dataset" error codes with NOAA's help. So, if you are using the SOS, and you get that "missing dataset" error message, please stop what you're doing, note the dataset that caused the error message, the time it occurred, and write that information on the whiteboard in the 2003 storage room. Thank you! And this goes for any dataset that doesn't seem to be working properly, please leave us a note on the board so we can track these issues. And last but not least, [click here to learn about the latest SOS datasets](#).

SO GENERAL KEY RETURNED

Thank you thank you to whomever returned the SO General Key!

MARS DIORAMA SCREEN

This screen is still offline due to a software issue, Tech is working on it.

SEEING THE SUN

This is currently out of commission due to a software issue, Tech is working on it.

STREAM TABLE UPDATE

Tech has repaired the Stream Table. Over the weekend, Sunday in particular, it was not in good shape, thanks to the volunteers who were in that day who had to deal with that--as well as our guests. But it's back in action as of this past Tuesday.

TILT TABLE UPDATE

Tech is still working to resolve (no pun intended) the issues with the old data on this table. Currently, we pull this data from USGS servers and their data is about five years out of date.

S.O. MARS DIORAMA ROVER UPDATE

Tech is still working away on the rover trying to get it ready for primetime, still no date announced about its debut with visitors.

space science lectures & events

60 MINUTES IN SPACE

Go "behind the stories" in space science using the best images and animation available to help understand new developments. Seating is limited to first come, first served. Please use the evening entrance on the west side of the Museum.

Location:

Gates Planetarium

Date/Time:

Wednesday, May 25 , 7 p.m.

Tickets:

FREE

DIGITAL EARTH: PETRA

Back by popular demand! The Nabateans carved their rose-pink rock city of Petra, a stronghold in the desert, using metal tools made from smelted local ores, and controlled age-old trade routes that passed nearby. Surprisingly these controls were not the keys to their success; rather, it was water. These early engineers developed regional water systems,

intricate canals and pipelines, and marvelous storage cisterns hewn deep into the mother rock. Using 360-degree photography on the dome, guest speaker and archaeologist Will Raynolds and space scientist Ka Chun Yu will tour through deep time and deep rocks, returning to questions about how the current residents of this historic landscape are striving to lead the good life.

Location:

Gates Planetarium

Date/Time:

Wednesday, June 1, 5:15 p.m.

Tickets:

\$8 member, \$10 nonmember

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RESERVATION INFO

Volunteers have the opportunity to attend most After Hours programs priced at the \$8 member/ \$10 nonmember rate for free on a space-available basis. Volunteers always receive the member rate for all other Adult Programs. Please call Guest Services at 303.370.6000 to make a reservation. Guest Services is open daily, 9:00 - 5:00 p.m.

To save time the night of the program, we recommend picking up your tickets anytime during regular Museum hours at the north ticket desk. You can also pick up your ticket from the will-call cashier on your way into the program on the night of the program. You will always need a ticket to attend programs.

On the evening of the program, please enter through the same entrance as our guests and pick up your ticket from the will-call cashier. Thank you for your ongoing support and enthusiasm for Adult Programs!

did you know...

...That we have a simple document online that informs us what to do in emergencies at the Museum? Check it out here: [Standard Responses to Emergencies at DMNS](#)

museum news and events

ASIA PACIFIC HERITAGE MONTH EVENTS

Sharing this great opportunity over the weekend to celebrate and honor Asian Pacific

American Heritage Month. Don't miss the Colorado Dragon Film Festival. Here's a great article in the Denver Post: [Denver Post: Colorado Dragon Film Festival](#).

Or go to the official website: [Colorado Dragon Film Festival](#)

MUSEUM LECTURE AND PROGRAMMING INFORMATION

[Click here for Evening Lectures](#)

[Click here for Gates Planetarium Daily Show Schedule](#)

[Click here for Museum IMAX information](#)

volunteer enrichment committee

The Volunteer Enrichment Committee plans a variety of events, many of which are free, for DMNS volunteers to participate, some are onsite at DMNS, others travel to spots nearby. Check the bulletin board in the Staff and Volunteer Lounge for more info.

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