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**Last Chance for Extended Summer Hours
9:30 am - 6 pm through September 5**

Celebrate the final days of summer with a trip to deep space!

Come aboard the observation deck of a futuristic starship in ***Deep Space Adventure***. Watch as galaxies collide and supernovas explode in the highest resolution and quality possible, an experience only surpassed by actual space travel.

Check out the new gallery, ***Gravity Shapes the Universe***, to discover gravity on Earth, in space and in the extreme environment of a black hole.

Blast off on a modern-day space adventure for kids and families in ***Planet Explorers***, the ultimate planetary play date. Climb aboard a two-story rocket, explore the mysterious Planet X and let your imagination fly!

[Plan your Labor Day trip now.](#)

2011 ANNUAL WEBSTER LECTURE

Thursday, September 13
6 pm in the Universe Theater

Speaker: John Steele, PhD Associate Professor with the Department of Egyptology and Ancient Western Asian Studies at Brown University

Anu-Belshunu Astronomer and Scribe of Uruk

As one of the few scribes of astronomical cuneiform tablets, Anu-Belshunu provides an interesting case study of how, why and by whom astronomy and astrology was practiced in Babylonia during the last few centuries BC.

A reception will follow the lecture. This event is sponsored by the Archaeological Institute of America: The Chicago Society.

This event is FREE. No registration is required.

[Learn more about the 2011 Webster Lecture.](#)



ADLER AFTER DARK "HARVEST MOON"

Thursday, September 15
6 - 10 pm

Investigate the **Science of Beer Brewing** at an after hours science demo with experts from Northwestern University and Chicago's Brew Camp. Sample a seasonal Oktoberfest brew as you become a beer aficionado.

Explore the Moon with an up-close tour of its surface in a new, one-night-only sky show.

Enjoy live polka music by Die Musikmeisters and sip this month's signature cocktail, the Apple Pie martini.

Purchase advance tickets online for a discounted price.

[Buy your Adler After Dark tickets today!](#)

STARRY NIGHT ADLER ASTRO-OVERNIGHTS

Registration Now Open!

Grab your sleeping bag and get ready for a night of exploration under the stars. Families can explore the mysteries of the Universe on an overnight adventure at the museum. Astro-Overnights include all-access to the museum, hands-on activities, exhibition free time and telescope viewing (weather permitting).

Be one of the first to sleep in the new Grainger Sky Theater, the world's most technologically advanced theater.



A late night snack and continental breakfast are included. Evening-only options are also available. This program is designed for ages 6 - 10. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Book your dates now. This popular program sells out quickly!

2011 / 2012 Overnight Dates:

- October 7, 2011
- November 4, 2011
- February 3, 2012 (SOLD OUT)
- March 2, 2012
- April 13, 2012
- May 4, 2012

[Register today for your Astro-Overnight!](#)

FALL ARRIVES A HARVEST MOON

On September 12, watch for the annual Harvest Moon to appear at sunset. A Harvest Moon is the Full Moon closest to the Autumnal Equinox which marks the arrival of Fall. Farmers count on the bright moonlight from the Harvest Moon to gather their crops after sunset.

Learn more about the Moon at the Adler. Explore the most up-to-date images of the lunar surface with the Adler's interactive *Moon Wall* located in the **Shoot for the Moon** exhibition.



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