



Adler Planetarium Opens New Permanent Exhibition *Chicago's Night Sky* on Friday, Nov. 22

Nov. 5, 2019— As long as people have walked the Earth, they've looked to the sky as a creative muse, a constant companion, and a gateway to the mysteries of our Universe. This November, the Adler will open a brand-new exhibition to help connect you—and your city—to the wondrous human tradition of looking up. *Chicago's Night Sky* opens November 22.

This new 5,000 square foot exhibition will showcase the Adler's signature programs and initiatives like *Far Horizons*, *Zooniverse*, and *Youth Organization for Lights Out*. There will also be a new *Community Star Studio* house within the exhibition. One of four new *Community Design Lab* concepts, which will focus on connecting art to the night sky.

Chicago's Night Sky is included with museum admission. To learn more about this exciting new exhibition, visit: <https://www.adlerplanetarium.org/events/chicagos-night-sky/>

Exhibition Highlights:

- Discover how people from all over the world have imagined stories in the stars.
- See the Adler's world-renowned collection of celestial globes, star maps, and more.
- Take part in real research by identifying constellations in historic celestial maps from the Adler's collection.
- Create your own constellation. Together we can reveal a modern mythology of star stories.
- See how the Adler is working to measure light pollution and help find solutions to restore and protect dark skies.
- Discover how the Adler's *Youth Organization for Lights Out* program helps Chicago teens to experience dark skies.
- Experiment with aspects of lighting design to learn how to build better lighting.
- Learn how to find interesting things to see in the night sky.
- See how works of art can take us on journeys across the sky.
- Make your own art to visualize your connection to Chicago's night sky in the *Community Star Studio*.
- Experience the night sky over Chicago as it appeared in 1913, and take a live guided tour of the *Atwood Sphere* –Chicago's oldest planetarium

Recognition

Chicago's Night Sky is supported by generous donations from the Adler Planetarium Women's Board, Bank of America, The A. Montgomery Ward Foundation and CDW.

About the Adler Planetarium

The Adler Planetarium connects people to the Universe and each other. Whether it is introducing a guest to the Ring Nebula, a neighborhood school to a community partner, a research team to a network of citizen scientists, or one staff member to another, the Adler's focus on meaningful connections dates back nearly a century.

Today, the museum hosts more than half a million visitors each year and reaches millions more through youth STEM programs, neighborhood skywatching events, online citizen science, and other outreach projects. With the Adler's support, people of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities gain the confidence to explore their Universe together and return to their communities ready to think critically and creatively about any challenge that comes their way.