The Adler Planetarium is no ordinary venue. Take full advantage of your Adler experience by adding a sky show to your itinerary.

Please note:
Most event extras must be scheduled four to six weeks before your event. Please contact your Food For Thought special events manager if you have any questions.

Grainger Sky and Space Theater Shows
Schedule four weeks before your event.

Pink Floyd Dark Side Of The Moon  43-minute show: $1,000 Grainger / Space*
Celebrate the 50th anniversary of one of the best selling albums of all time with an immersive space and musical experience like you’ve never seen before. The show is divided between the 10 tracks off the album, each having a different theme; some futuristically looking forward and some a retro acknowledgment to Pink Floyd's visual history, all relating to a time and space experience.  *available in the Space Theater starting 5/31/23

Imagine The Moon  30-minute show: $700 Grainger / $600 Space
The Moon has inspired human creativity, learning, and exploration ever since we have looked to the sky and then when we left Earth and went there in the amazing journeys that culminated in astronauts walking on the Moon. People have imagined the Moon as a glowing disk in the sky, a destination in space, and a world that shares its origin with the Earth. The power of human imagination continues to inspire our relationship with the Moon as our partner in space and companion in our sky.

Planet Nine  30-minute show: $700 Grainger / $600 Space
In July 2015, the New Horizons spacecraft gave us our first close look at Pluto, the most famous dwarf planet in the outskirts of our solar system. The pictures it continues to send back to Earth reveal a world far more complex than anyone realized. Follow “Pluto Killer” Mike Brown and his team at CalTech as they uncover other dwarf worlds like Eris; Haumea, and Sedna, whose orbit takes it deep into the far reaches of the solar system. Is there a new planet beyond these distant objects? You’ll tag along on Mike’s first night searching for the ninth planet at the Subaru Telescope in Hawaii.
Destination Solar System  30-minute show: $750

The year is 2096. Space tourism is booming, and you've signed up for a quick trip around the solar system with Space Express Tours! In this live show, your guides are Jesse, a lovable rookie tour guide who can't wait to show you the wonders of your celestial neighborhood, and Max, the much more experienced highly advanced shipboard computer. With Max steering the ship and Jesse chattering excitedly about each place you visit, you'll soar through the Asteroid Belt, explore the moons of Jupiter and Saturn, and hover over the roiling surface of the Sun. Hold on tight!

Available in the Grainger Sky Theater only.

Welcome to the Universe  15-minute show: $500 | 25-minute show: $700

The universe is vast and largely mysterious, but it's also our home. Earth—and everyone who lives on it—is part of a huge network of exploding stars, swirling galaxies, orbiting planets, and strange features scientists are still trying to decipher. In Welcome to the Universe, you'll get a clear picture of your place in this jaw-dropping cosmic landscape. With the guidance of a live presenter, you'll explore the Pleiades star cluster, sail past the Andromeda galaxy, navigate the galaxies of the Coma Cluster, and discover hidden wonders of the universe.

Available in the Grainger Sky Theater or Samuel C. Johnson Family Star Theater only.

Skywatch Live!  15-minute show: $500 Grainger / $400 Space
25-minute show: $700 Grainger / $600 Space

The Adler's view of downtown Chicago is magnificent, but the lights of the city make it a little tough to see the ones in the sky. What's a stargazer to do? Join us for Skywatch Live! In this show, your live presenter will turn down the city lights and crank up the stars to show you the night sky over Chicago like you've never seen it before. You'll learn how to navigate by starlight, get to know the stars behind your favorite constellations, and witness the incomprehensible vastness of the universe without ever leaving your seat.