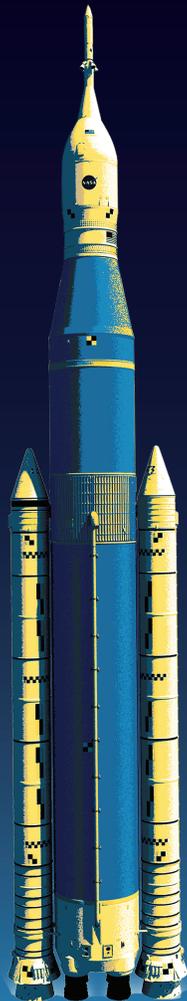


AMERICA'S **NEXT** GIANT LEAP

YOUR MISSION STARTS HERE



BACK TO THE **MOON**

March 23 - April 5
SPRING BREAK

Presented by **TW**

Tours & Talks

Weekdays

10:45 AM

12:45 PM

Wednesday

4:45 PM

Mission Moon Tours

Mission Moon | Upper Level

Adler experts offer insights into one of the museum's most popular exhibitions. Highlights include a real space capsule, a Moon rock, and other authentic artifacts. The tour meets outside the exhibit entrance.

Weekdays

10:00 AM, 11:00 AM

& 12:00 PM

Wednesday

April 1

6:00 PM, 7:00 PM

& 8:00 PM

Pop-up Talks with an Astrophysicist

Other Worlds (by the rover model) | Upper Level

Hear from Adler astrophysicists in quick 10-minute talks throughout the day on the Moon and lunar exploration, followed by a Q&A.

Wednesday

6:00 PM–8:00 PM

Saturday–Sunday

11:00 AM–1:00 PM

Astronomy Conversations

Space Visualization Lab (SVL) | Lower Level

Hear from Chicagoland researchers about cutting-edge astrophysics accompanied by engaging images, visualizations, and simulations of space science topics.

Tuesday

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Object Encounters

Stargazers Hub | Lower Level

Meet the curator and members of Adler's Collections team as they bring out some of our coolest, rarest, and most fascinating artifacts about the Moon from Renaissance maps to Apollo mission materials.



Hands-on Activities

Drop-in experiences facilitated by Adler educators rotate throughout the day.

Mondays

9:30 AM–11:30 AM

Tuesday-Sunday

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Wednesday

4:00 PM–8:00 PM

The Vacuum of Space

Other Worlds or Mission Moon | Upper Level

What would happen to a marshmallow on the Moon? Find out in a vacuum chamber demonstration that shows how everyday objects change when air pressure drops.

Tuesday-Sunday

9:30 AM–12:30 PM

Wednesday

4:00 PM–8:00 PM

Spacecraft Design Challenge

Mission Moon or Other Worlds | Upper Level

Design, build, and test your own spacecraft using simple materials. Inspired by NASA's Artemis missions to the Moon, explore how engineering design choices affect your mission's success in a wind tunnel.

Tuesday-Sunday

9:30 AM -12:30 PM

Wednesday

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Moon Modeling

PlayLab | Upper Level

Build lunar landscapes, explore craters, and try fun astronaut challenges together. Designed for families with children 6 and under.

Monday

12:00 PM–3:00 AM

Tuesday-Sunday

9:30 AM -3:30 PM

Wednesday

4:00 PM–8:00 PM

Lunar Surface Collages

Star Studio | Lower Level

Explore the surface of the Moon through observation and making. Create a collage using rubbings, historic lunar images, and modern Moon maps.

Tuesday-Sunday

10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Wednesday

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Stargazers Hub Activations

Stargazers Hub | Lower Level

Cabinet of Curiosity

Handle objects from Adler's teaching collection, including a Moon globe, a lunar meteorite, and more items that reveal features of the Moon's surface.

Seeing the Moon

Experiment with lenses, filters, and spyglasses to see how observing tools shape depictions of the Moon, past and present.



Wednesday

March 25

7:00 PM–10:00 PM

Wednesday

April 1

7:45 PM–10:00 PM

Wednesday Evening

Telescope Observing–Doane Observatory*

Look through the largest public telescope in Chicagoland, located east of the main building along the shores of Lake Michigan.

March 25: Telescope target the **Moon**

April 1: Telescope targets **Jupiter** and the **Moon**

**Weather permitting. Lines may close early due to capacity.*



Don't Miss!

Mission Moon Exhibition

Experience the story of Capt. Jim Lovell and America's first steps into space. Explore the newest gallery additions to discover how NASA's Artemis program is expanding our understanding of the moon and shaping the future of space exploration.

Wednesday

March 25

7:00 PM

NASA Artemis Panel

From Illinois to the Moon: Building NASA's Orion Spacecraft

Johnson Theater

Stephanie Schulte, Assistant Director of Exploration Programs for NASA's Flight Operations Directorate, and **Jennifer Madsen**, Deputy Manager of the Avionics, Power, and Software Office for NASA's Orion Program, share the journey from their hometowns in Illinois to NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston.

Wednesday

April 1

5:00 PM–6:00 PM

Lights Out: Book Talk

Space Visualization Lab (SVL) | Lower Level

Meet author Megan Eaves and members of Adler's Youth Organization for Lights Out, who are featured in her book *Nightfaring: In Search of Disappearing Darkness*.