



MEDIA ALERT

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We're Back! The Adler Planetarium Partially Reopens this Weekend with our Award-Winning Sky Shows

WHAT: The Adler Planetarium is reopening its doors July 3, offering a selection of <u>our</u> <u>popular (and award-winning) skyshows</u> under our iconic dome on Saturdays and Sundays in July and August. *Imagine the Moon* and *Skywatch Live* will each play twice daily in our state-of-the-art *Grainger Sky Theater*.

WHAT ELSE: As a special thank you to our community who has continued to support us, **our first three weekends will be free to Illinois residents (with proof of residency).** Welcome back; we've missed you!

WHEN: Saturdays and Sundays in July and August as follows:

- July: 3*,4*,10*,11*,17*,18*,24,25,31
- August: 1,7,8,14,15, 21,22,28, and 29

**Illinois Resident Discount Day. On these particular days, Illinois residents are free; registration required.*

SCHEDULE: Saturdays and Sundays throughout the summer.

- 10:30 am Imagine the Moon
- 11:30 am Skywatch Live
- 12:15 pm Imagine the Moon
- 1:15 pm *Skywatch Live*

TICKET INFO: Tickets are on sale now, and are available for advanced online purchase only.

Visit <u>https://www.adlerplanetarium.org/event/summer-sky-shows/</u> to get your tickets today before they sell out!

• PRICE: \$15 (no refunds)

• Free for Illinois residents for the first three weekends (5 ticket limit per transaction on Illinois Resident Discount Day tickets).

SHOW INFO: <u>Imagine the Moon</u>: The Adler's newest sky show explores how the Moon has inspired human creativity, learning, and exploration ever since we have looked to the sky. Each discovery has brought new opportunities to contemplate and imagine, until, driven by dreams, 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.

<u>Skywatch Live</u>: 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.

COMING SOON: Stay tuned for information about our new 'Scopes at the Adler public observing program launching mid-July. In this unique, small-group experience in the Adler's iconic Doane Observatory, guests will turn their eyes to the skies in exciting ways!

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. The museum typically hosts more than half a million visitors each year and reaches millions more through youth STEAM programs, neighborhood skywatching events, people-powered research, and other outreach efforts. Today, the Adler is bringing our unique approach—scientific exploration rooted in community and connection—to guests from around the world who can enjoy the digital Adler from their own homes, libraries, schools or offices. 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.



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