

Monday April 7th, 2014 4:30 – 5:30 pm, SUB Ballroom A

"Cosmic Wonder: The only thing bigger than the Universe is human curiosity"

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Abstract:

"Mystery creates wonder and wonder is the basis of man's desire to understand."

- Neil Armstrong

Throughout time, humans have engaged with the cosmos through an ongoing cycle of wonder, observation and discovery. In this talk we'll explore our Universe from ancient observations to modern discoveries, and we'll discuss unsolved mysteries that challenge scientists to this day. Featuring historic images from the Adler's archive, as well as modern satellite data, Cosmic Wonder tells the story of how we've built, over time, an understanding of the workings of the Cosmos. You'll also hear about, Zooniverse citizen science projects, where you can participate in frontier science and help unlock mysteries of the unknown.

Host: Angela Des Jardins