

Astronomy Section Rochester Academy of Science

April Virtual Monthly Meeting

April 3, 2020

7:30 pm EDT





Thank You!

David Pesce & his company, Exputo.com, for donating this service (the Big Blue Button) to the Astronomy Section this evening!





How this works

- Everyone is muted
- Everyone has CHAT available to text the group or specific people.
- CHAT me directly with Questions for the Speaker
- I will unmute everyone at the end of the Feature Presentation (best to talk with a headset if you have one)



Agenda

Welcome

Announcements

Break

Feature Talk — Michael Richmond- Prof. Physics & Astronomy RIT
"Cutting the Hubble Constant down to size"



Welcome

Observing Recently?

- Time to renew your membership for 2020
 - Contact Bill Rodgers
 - Key holders also time to renew your key
 - Contact Bob McGovern





Renewing via PayPal

From Membership Chair Bill Rodgers Membership Renewal for 2020

Take the following steps to make a paperless renewal:

- Use a completed copy of our Membership form in Word or a copy printed to paper Save the completed copy in Word or a scanned copy (or photocopy from your mobile phone)
- 2) Go to www.paypal.com and send your payment including PayPal fee* to asraspaypal@gmail.com
- 3) Email your copy from step 2 to asraspaypal@gmail.com with attention to Membership Chair Thank you for your cooperation and support.

^{*}Please go to website thefeecalculator.com to calculate total amount you should pay to cover PayPal fee



BLACKFRIARS

From Blackfriars' Website:

"...determined that the right thing to do is to cancel all artistic and community programming through June 30th with the aim of reopening when it's safe. Our goal is to reschedule Silent Sky and Calendar Girls for later this summer/early fall. All other programming will be cancelled or rescheduled where and when appropriate."



Northeast Astronomy Forum*

THE VIRTUAL EXPERIENCE

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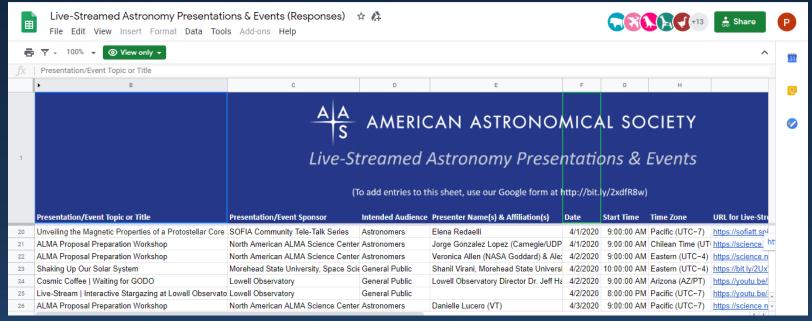
Live stream begins April 4th, 10am - 8pm EST (7am - 5pm PST).



www.neafexpo.com

Other Live/Streaming Events*

https://aas.org/posts/news/2020/03/livestreamed-astronomy-presentationsevents?fbclid=IwAR1KAbuD1Fr75p0WCtykEddU 5tGj6Yc_Hu7a3o27RJWdImicLQkmfh5WaiQ





Upcoming Events

ASRAS May Meeting (Farash Center Ionia)*

Speaker: Richard O'Shaughnessy - Gravitational Waves

Friday, May 1st from 7:30 PM-9:30 PM

Max & Marian Farash Center for Observational Astronomy 8355 County Rte. 14 Ionia, NY

*Pending an improvement in current large gathering guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



Upcoming Events

Any other near term events (Open House/ Work Party etc.) will be communicated via May newsletter or email group.





Quick Break





Feature Talk - Michael Richmond

Prof. Physics & Astronomy RIT

"Cutting the Hubble Constant down to size".

Presentation link:

http://spiff.rit.edu/richmond/asras/hubble_const/hubble_co

<u>nst.html</u>