

Ars Electronica Center

Focus on Astronomy at the Ars Electronica Center

(Linz, March 2, 2015) For astronomy enthusiasts, the Ars Electronica Center will be the center of the universe this week! At the next Deep Space LIVE on Thursday, March 5th at 8 PM, astrophotographer Dietmar Hager will host a presentation about the International Space Station. Then—if everything goes according to plan—there'll be a live hook-up to Houston during which audience members can direct questions to an astronaut. And from Friday to Sunday, March 6-8, astrophotographers from throughout the world will convene at the Central European Deepsky Imaging Conference. The opening event on Friday, March 3rd at 7:30 PM (free admission) will feature breathtaking photos of the night sky above the Andes. A full program of speeches and workshops about astrophotography is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday (tickets required).

Dietmar Hager

Dietmar Hager is a physician, astrophotographer and Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society. He has worked in the field of astrophotography for over 20 years, and published his photos in international journals and textbooks. He has served as the Ars Electronica Center's astronomical advisor since early 2011.

CEDIC

The first Central European Deepsky Imaging Conference was organized by Austrian astrophotographers Christoph Kaltseis, Herbert Raab and Wolfgang Leitner in 2009. CEDIC thus became the first European conference on the subject of astrophotography. Its aim is to break down regional borders and provide a setting in which astrophotographers from all over the world can get in contact with one another. CEDIC admission tickets can be purchased at the Ars Electronica Center: a one-day pass costs €35; a two-day pass is €70.

Deep Space LIVE

The Ars Electronica Center hosts a Deep Space LIVE event every Thursday (except holidays) at 8 PM. Each presentation features ultra-high-definition imagery in 16x9-meter format and is accompanied by expert commentary, entertaining stand-up repartee, and musical improvisation. Whether great works from the history of art, space travel, journeys of discovery in the nanoworld, or a live concert is what you've come to behold, Deep Space LIVE stands for enlightening entertainment amidst breathtaking worlds of imagery. Holders of a valid Museum ticket are admitted free of charge.

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Archiv der Stadt Linz (in German): <http://www.linz.at/geschichte/de/1054.asp>

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