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Community Involvement

February 1-8, 2008

Journey Week: February 1-8, 2008

Master Teacher Workshop: 8am - 12pm Friday February 1, 2008 at Imiloa Astronomy Education Center

K-12 Educator Workshop: 8am - 12pm Saturday February 2, 2008 at Imiloa Astronomy Education Center

Astronomer Workshop: 10am - 12pm Sunday February 3, 2008 at Imiloa Astronomy Education Center

Classroom Visits: Monday - Friday February 4-8, 2008

Chamber of Commerce Social: 5pm - 7pm Tuesday February 5, 2008 at Hilo Yacht Club

Family Science Night at Imiloa Astronomy Education Center 4-8pm, ticketed event: Wednesday February 6, 2008

Appreciation/Thank You Potluck: Thursday February 7, 2008 at DOE complex

AstroTalk by Kevin Grazier: Friday February 8, UHH

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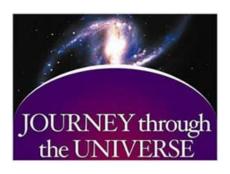
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JOURNEY THROUGH THE UNIVERSE WEEK

The Program

Hawaii is entering it's fourth year of Journey through the Universe, a national science education initiative that engages entire communities-students, teachers, families, and the public-using education programs in the Earth and space sciences and space exploration to inspire and educate. The initiative engages communities in sustained science, math, and technology education, and is a celebration of exploration and the joys of learning.

What the human race knows about our world and the greater Universe is used to inspire *the next generation* of scientists and engineers through interactions with *the current generation*; give teachers the tools and training to conduct powerful lessons in the classroom that are deeply relevant to the science curriculum; and provide venues for family learning where parents and their children learn together.

Developed by the National Center for Earth and Space Science Education (NCESSE), *Journey through the Universe* provides a window on the true nature of science and the lives of modern-day explorers, with special emphasis on not just *what* is known about our world and the universe but *how* it has come to be known. It is an approach that reveals the very personal means by which researchers ask questions of the world and empower themselves to create a pathway to an answer.

The initiative includes local programming for thousands of students and families, grade K-12 lessons and curriculum support materials, grade K-12 educator training, and ongoing support from scientists and educators nationally in both science content and pedagogy for the classroom. The communities integrate these resources into their existing science, mathematics, and technology education programming in both formal and informal science education venues. The result of

this partnership is programming that reflects the strengths and capabilities of the community, and provides access to resources that would otherwise be unavailable.

Hilo, Hawaii is currently one of 10 communities around the nation that are designated Journey through the Universe sites.

The North Hilo/Laupahoehoe/Waiakea Complex area located on the island of Hawaii joined the Journey through the Universe program in June 2004. There is a genuine desire among the scientists and professionals associated with astronomy to participate with Hilo schools. Local educators and students desire to share in the excitement of astronomy. Journey through the Universe Week can bring the two together. The joint partnership will:

- Heighten awareness of science in classrooms.
- Help students meet the Hawaii Content and Performance Standards and national standards.
- Provide rigor, relevance and relationships in curriculum, instruction and assessment.
- Tap into the rich resources that are the Hilo community.
- Improve teaching staff in content fields. Professional development, in-service training sessions, networking and articulation amongst educators, scientists, and community people will help improve teaching.
- Educate parents and the community in the space science enterprise.

Programming provided to each community includes a weeklong celebration of learning "Journey through the Universe Week" conducted by a National Team of researchers and engineers reflecting organizations from across the NASA communities. During Journey Week:

Pictures of Journey 2008

The following are links to pictures taken during Journey Week 2008.

- http://files.gemini.edu/~pio/jttu_2008/
- http://astroday.net/JTTU-08.html
- http://ftp.jach.hawaii.edu/jcmt/iheyer/JTTU_2008/
- Photos of Subaru Scientists

Family Science Night

A family science night will be held at the 'Imiloa Astronomy Center, including planetarium shows, four guest lecturers, and free access to the exhibit area.

Classroom Visits

A National Team of researchers and engineers working on the frontier conduct Classroom Visits for 8,000 K-12 students. The researchers are gifted at communicating their passion for research and science to audience of all ages, providing students a personal interaction with explorers working on the space frontier, and providing a window on the lives of researchers and the process of science.

Educator Workshops

Training is provided for K-12 educators on Education Modules that are mapped to the National Science Education Standards. Each Module includes an Educational Unit at three (K-4, 5-8, 9-12) or four (K-2, 3-4, 5-8, 9-12) grade levels, and includes content overviews; inquiry-based, hands-on activities; assessment rubrics; and resource listings.

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