



The Starry Messenger

THE BIGGEST & BEST IN THE METROPLEX!

Dynamic Earth



Come see *Dynamic Earth* for free in May! Every Sunday in May visitors may come to the Planetarium at 3:30 p.m. to see this amazing new show at no cost.

Dynamic Earth explores the inner workings of Earth's climate engine with visualizations based on satellite monitoring data and advanced supercomputer simulations. This cutting-edge production follows a trail of energy that flows from the Sun into the interlocking systems that shape our climate: the atmosphere, oceans, and the biosphere.

Audiences will ride along on swirling ocean and wind currents, dive into the heart of a monster hurricane, come face-to-face with sharks and gigantic whales, and fly into roiling volcanoes.

Transit of Venus



An extremely rare celestial event occurs the evening of June 5 -- a transit of Venus!

Starting just after 5:00 p.m. on June 5th, Venus will start its path in front of the Sun, blocking out a little of the Sun's light.

When Venus passes directly between

Partial Solar Eclipse



Hope for clear skies on May 20th because the Sun and Moon will be putting on a show!

Starting just a few minutes after 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 20th, the Moon will pass in front of the Sun causing a partial solar eclipse that will last until sunset in the Metroplex. If you live near the Texas panhandle or as far west as California, you will be able to see a larger portion of this eclipse.

The path of the total eclipse forms a narrow line across the westernmost parts of the United States and across the Pacific Ocean. An interactive map showing the location and times of the eclipse is visible [here](#).

May \$2 Movie



April showers bring May flowers, and May brings great movies to the Planetarium! Join us

for our \$2 movies every Wednesday and Friday at 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. The movies change each

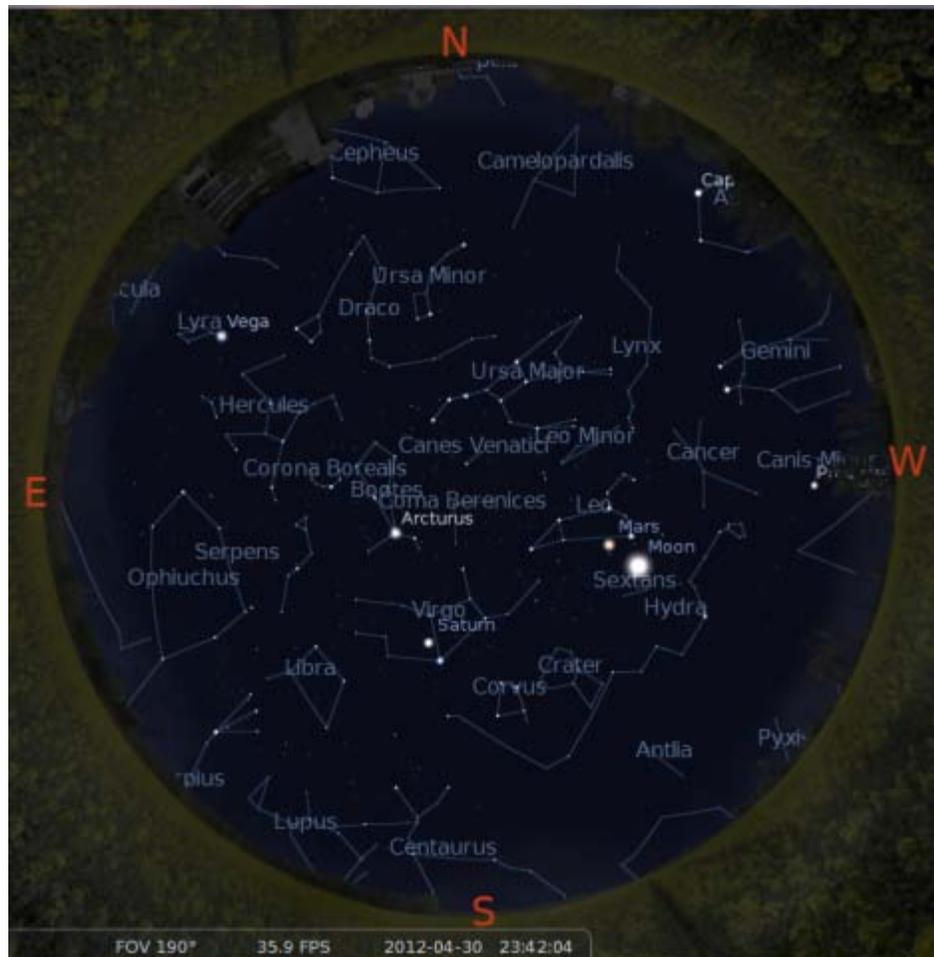
Earth and the Sun, we see the distant planet as a small dot gliding slowly across the face of the Sun. Historically, this rare alignment is how we measured the size of our solar system.

The most recent transit of Venus was a thrilling sight in 2004. After the June 2012 transit of Venus (the last one in our lifetime), the next such alignment occurs in 2117.

Catch the short Planetarium show about the transit at any public show! Or to learn more about the transit of Venus and to download the free app, visit the [Transit of Venus](#) website!

week, so come back often so you don't miss out on the fun!

- **Mission Impossible: Ghost Protocol** - May 2nd, 4th and 5th
- **War Horse** - May 9th, 11th and 12th
- **Hugo** - May 16th, 18th, 19th
- **Puss In Boots** - May 23rd, 25th, 26th
- **Happy Feet 2** - May 30th, June 1st, 2nd



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