



Astronomy Day 2011

Saturday, May 7th

KALAMAZOO VALLEY MUSEUM

10 AM - 4 PM | 230 N. ROSE ST.

Solar Observing

View our star close up with safe solar filters (weather permitting).

Displays

Learn about the icy worlds of the outer solar system, Mercury, and the different types of amateur telescopes. Check out the best photographs of the night sky by members of the Kalamazoo Astronomical Society.

Hands-on Activities

Decorate a star or make a fan comet, constellation can and more.

Comet Making Presentations

Help build a comet and learn about their secret lives at the edge of the solar system. This participatory program is ideal for the whole family. *Presentations are at 11am & 3pm.*

Free Planetarium Shows

Showtimes are hourly from 1 - 3 pm. See our website for details.



Meet Dr. Mike Brown

Chat with Caltech astronomer Dr. Mike Brown and get his autograph. Copies of his book, *How I Killed Pluto and Why It Had It Coming*, will be available for purchase.

KALAMAZOO NATURE CENTER

7:00 PM | 7000 N. WESTEDGE AVE.

Keynote Presentation by Dr. Mike Brown

Dr. Brown tells the fascinating true story of the demise of Pluto and a first-hand account of the modern day discoveries of our solar system. **FREE tickets will be available on May 7th at the museum starting at 11am. Tickets may be reserved with a small donation. See the Astronomy Day website for details.** Seating begins at 6:30 pm.

Observe the Moon, Saturn, galaxies and more after the talk.