

# Jasper DARK SKY Festival

October 21-24, 2011

Catch star appearances throughout the weekend by Jasper's resident 'Sky Guy' Peter McMahon and famed Dark Sky photographer Yuichi Takasaka!

## OCT. 21 Friday

**6:00 PM DINING IN THE DARK**  
Dark Sky themed dining at participating Jasper restaurants.

**10:00 PM-12:00 AM STARRY STARRY NIGHT**  
Mountain Galleries at The Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge Complimentary coffee and treats at a celestial exhibition celebrating dark skies.

## OCT. 22 Saturday

**11:00 AM-3:00 PM BE A SPACE CADET**  
Jasper Information Centre lawn (500 Connaught) Astronomy talks with resident "Sky Guy", Rocket Building\*, Solar Viewing, Kids 'Space Craft' stations and more! \*Rocket launch on Elementary School lawn at noon!

**11:00 AM-5:30 PM ASTRONOMY PRESENTATIONS**  
Historic Chaba Theatre (604 Connaught) Fun and interactive presentations about stars and skies by special guest astronomers.

**1:00 PM-3:00 PM TOUCHED BY A STAR FILM FEST**  
Habitat for the Arts (631 Patricia) Reminisce with local 'movie stars' featured in Jasper's finest movies.

**2:30 PM-5:30 PM TELUS WORLD OF SCIENCE PLANETARIUM**  
Jasper Elementary School Gymnasium (300 Elm; use main entrance)  
A digital planetarium showcases the sky's motion, stars of the changing seasons, wandering planets, and much more.

**11:00 AM GREAT BALLS OF FIRE**  
Presented by Bruce McCurdy  
(Family Program)

**12:00 PM ROCKET LAUNCH**  
Jasper Elementary School lawn

**1:30 PM OUR SUN: CHARISMATIC OR CATASTROPHIC?**  
Presented by Dr. Douglas Hube  
(Youth/Adult Presentation)

**2:30 PM FROM DARK SKY TO BLACK HOLES**  
Presented by Dr. Sharon Morsink  
(Youth/Adult Presentation)

**3:30 PM RED SKY AT NIGHT**  
Presented by Dan Kulak  
(Family Program)

**4:30 PM 2012: DOOMSDAY OR DUMB IDEA?**  
Presented by Frank Florian  
(Family Program)

### 5:45 PM-10:30 PM COMPLIMENTARY SHUTTLES

Help save on light pollution! Shuttles depart every 30 minutes from Jasper Elementary School to Jasper Park Stables and Pyramid Lake Resort

**6:00 PM-10:30 PM STAR PARTY IN THE PARK**  
Pyramid Lake and Jasper Park Stables  
Visit Jasper National Park's best sky viewing areas and join the star-crossed fun at Jasper's Star Party! A myriad of activities and performances including theatre by Alberta Parks DSI: Dark Sky Investigator, astronomy presentations, telescope viewing hosted by members of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada, Pyramid Island Starlight Adventure, interpretive starlit wagon rides, and guided night walks with Friends of Jasper National Park and Parks Canada.  
*Please bring a flashlight.*

**6:00 PM-9:00 PM STAR GRAZING DINNER**  
Jasper Park Stables  
Warm your senses with a buffet of delightful eats and hot beverages. Tickets available for \$20/Adult and \$13/Children under 12. For advance ticket locations check out [www.jasperdarkskyfest.com](http://www.jasperdarkskyfest.com) (tickets also available on site, cash only).  
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**7:00 PM-9:30 PM TELUS WORLD OF SCIENCE PLANETARIUM**  
Jasper Elementary School Gymnasium (300 Elm; use main entrance)  
See above for details.

## OCT. 23 Sunday

**3:00 PM-6:00 PM DARK SKY PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP**  
Habitat for the Arts (631 Patricia)  
Presented by famed Dark Sky photographer Yuichi Takasaka.

**7:30 PM-8:30 PM GUIDED LANTERN WALK**  
Meet on Jasper Information Centre lawn (500 Connaught)  
Hosted by Friends of Jasper National Park.

FESTIVAL ORGANIZERS:



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