

Tacoma Astronomical Society

Public Night Schedule

2017 - 2018

Pierce College, Ft. Steilacoom – Rainier Building

October 1st through March 31st
Presentation Starts at 7:30 PM

April 1st through September 30th
Presentation Starts at 9:00 PM



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Observing After Presentations - Weather Permitting

The Tacoma Astronomical Society hosts free public viewing sessions each month at Pierce College near Fort Steilacoom. Indoor lectures, demonstrations and workshops are available at public nights regardless of the weather. On nights with clear skies immediately after the presentations, TAS volunteers provide telescopic observations on the moon, planets, star clusters, nebulae, galaxies, double stars and more.

There is no charge for public programs; of course donations are gladly accepted. Donations are used to further public education, our student group and new program offerings. Public programs are targeted to audiences of diverse ages and abilities.

2017-2018

All meetings are in the Rainier Building (Pierce College, Ft. Steilacoom) unless otherwise noted

Date	Program	Presenter
Sept 9, 2017	The Hubble Space Telescope	John Pettit
Sept 23, 2017	Cosmic Collisions (Movie)	TAS
Oct 14, 2017	Invisible Light - Seeing the unseen Universe	Alice Few
Oct 28, 2017	Halloween Special	Alice Few
Nov 11, 2017	New Horizons	Chuck Jacobson
Nov 18, 2017	Southern Skies	Brian Jencks
Dec 2, 2017	Telescopes as Gifts	Dave Armstrong
Dec 9, 2017	The Christmas Star (Movie)	TAS
Jan 6, 2018	110 Celestial Objects	Jerry Armstrong
Jan 20, 2018	Apollo Missions to the Moon	John Pettit
Feb 10, 2018	Binocular Astronomy	John Finnan
Feb 24, 2018	The Zodiac	John Pettit
Mar 10, 2018	Astronomy with a Stick	Alice Few
Mar 24, 2018	Black Holes	Matt Flood
Apr 7, 2018	Space Exploration (2 shows, 7:30PM & 9:00PM)	John Pettit
Apr 21, 2018	Space Rocks	Alice Few
May 12, 2018	Women in Space	Regina Rector
May 19, 2018	Mars	Chuck Jacobson
Jun 2, 2018	Constellations and Star Hopping	Bob Harris
Jun 23, 2018	The Sun	Chuck Jacobson
Jul 7, 2018	Jupiter	V J Huff
Jul 21, 2018	Saturn - Lord of the Rings	John Pettit
Aug 4, 2018	Astronomy Fair XV - Noon to 5pm & weather permitting 9pm to Midnight	Pierce College Ft. Steilacoom
Aug 18, 2018	Reasons for the Seasons	Ken Slavens

Services and TAS Volunteers

The Program Presenter, Public Night Staff and Telescope Operators are all Tacoma Astronomical Society Volunteers. TAS Volunteers are available throughout the evening to answer questions and discuss all aspects of astronomy with our guests.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, contact our outreach committee at outreach@tas-online.org

Directions



From I-5 - Gravelly Lake exit

- Follow I-5 to Gravelly Lake Exit 124. (Note: There are directional signs to the college)
- From north-bound I-5: turn left and go over the freeway. From south-bound I-5: turn right.
- At the second light (island with large "Welcome to Lakewood" sign), go left onto Gravelly Lake Drive.
- At the second light, turn left on Washington Blvd. (Note: Washington Blvd. will turn into Military Road).
- At the third light, turn right on 112th St. S. W.
- Take the first left (one-half block) onto Farwest Drive.
- Continue on Farwest Drive until you see Pierce College on the right.

From I-5 - 72nd St exit

- Follow I-5 to 72nd Street Exit 129
- Turn right onto 74th; proceed on 74th, crossing South Tacoma Way and Lakewood Drive.
- 74th turns into Custer Road and crosses Bridgeport Way; stay in the right lane.
- Turn right on 88th St. S.W. which after two or three blocks becomes Steilacoom Blvd.
- Proceed on Steilacoom past the Oakbrook shopping malls, the light at 83rd Avenue and the Western State Hospital complex.
- Turn left at the light on Farwest Drive (the street is called Farwest on the left, Sentinel on the right).
- Drive up the hill and enter the campus on your left at the main entrance by the reader board sign.