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GLOBAL ASTRONOMY MONTH 2018



Global Astronomy Month 2018 fills the entire month of April again with exciting programs for astronomy enthusiasts worldwide. Whether it's stargazing, sharing with the public or the cosmos in art, there is something for everyone in Global Astronomy Month 2018 (GAM 2018).

Global Astronomy Month, organized each April by Astronomers Without Borders, is the world's largest annual global celebration of astronomy. Each GAM brings new ideas and new opportunities, and GAM 2018 is no exception, once again bringing enthusiasts together worldwide to celebrate Astronomers Without Borders' motto: One People, One Sky.

Dozens of programs fill the month of April, with highlighted events worldwide including:

- **OPTICKS:** a Cosmic Mail Art transmits images to the Moon and back as radio signals in real time.
- Thousands will view the heavens through telescopes provided by amateur astronomers and science centers during the Global Star Party, SunDay and other observing events.
- Online observing with popular astronomer Gianluca Masi will feature live interaction with a worldwide audience in the hugely popular Online Messier Marathon. The Virtual Telescope Project will offer a tour of the brightest star clusters, nebulae and galaxies in the sky in one night.
- AWB's wide-ranging Astro-Arts connects art and culture with astronomy in exciting ways with blog posts and special live webcasts, including the annual Cosmic Concert with original music composed and performed by Giovanni Renzo.



- Partner programs bring new audiences and participants: Measuring light pollution worldwide in Globe at Night, classrooms discovering asteroids in the International Asteroid Search Campaign, and more.

The KITION PLANETARIUM & OBSERVATORY as the Cyprus National Coordinator for Astronomers Without Borders since 2010, organizes this April, public events for the 9th consecutive year, local and online, for people to get involved, observe or share knowledge and observations, science or art.

We are very proud to announce that students' teams from Cyprus were chosen to participate in the International Asteroid Search Campaign.

There is always something for everyone.

GAM 2018 EVENT SCHEDULE FOR CYPRUS:

<http://www.astronomycyprus.eu/pages/gamen.htm>

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Cyprus National Coordinator for Astronomers Without Borders
Cyprus National Coordinator for UN World Space Week
Cyprus National Coordinator for Sidewalk Astronomers
Cyprus Regional Coordinator for ASTEROID DAY
NASA Radio Jove Project

Projects Coordinated and involved:

Starry Bridges 2017, Program Developer / Organizer
Cosmic Light Reaches Cyprus 2016, Program Developer / Organizer
UCLAN, International Astrophysics Conference,
Disc Dynamics and Planet Formation, Organizational Partner 2015
KITION 2014 – CHARITY ASTRONOMY FESTIVAL
Host/Organizer, Cyprus DomeFest 2011
Cyprus Science Festival Organizational Partner 2011
BEYOND IYA2009
EARTH HOUR BLUE 60+
GLOBE AT NIGHT
SEASONS WITHOUT BORDERS
BEAUTY WITHOUT BORDERS
InOMN (INTERNATIONAL OBSERVE THE MOON NIGHT)
METEORS WITHOUT BORDERS
ECLIPSE WITHOUT BORDERS
GALILEAN NIGHTS
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