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Planetarium Offers Summer Programming at Audubon Louisiana Nature Center

(New Orleans, La.) – An out-of-this-world experience is awaiting visitors to the new Planetarium at the Audubon Louisiana Nature Center in eastern New Orleans.

The Nature Center invites you to discover “The Universe in Our Backyard”, an entertaining audience-directed celestial exploration followed by a short feature. The Planetarium features a state-of-the-art full dome projection system and surround sound audio. Summer show times are Wednesdays through Fridays at 2:30 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays at 10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Tickets are available on site and at Audubon Zoo, Audubon Aquarium of the Americas and Audubon Butterfly Garden and Insectarium. Credit cards accepted at the Nature Center, but not cash. The Zoo, Aquarium and Insectarium can accommodate cash sales.

Planetarium shows for large groups are by reservation only and seating is limited.

Tickets are \$6.50 for adult and senior Audubon members and \$7.50 for non-members; \$5 for child Audubon members and \$6 for non-members.

Students on field trips to the planetarium can take in “Solar System Safari,” an engaging, interactive tour of the solar system and its outer limits. This show allows audience participation, as viewers decide where they travel in the cosmos. This program is appropriate for all grade levels.

Click [here](#) to learn about field trip and birthday party opportunities and how to book a planetarium show featuring “One World, One Sky, Big Bird’s Adventure” at the Audubon Louisiana Nature Center.

While nearby roadwork continues, signs will direct visitors to alternate parking and entry to Audubon Louisiana Nature Center, 11000 Lake Forest Boulevard

In addition to the planetarium, nature center guests can explore nearly three miles of walking trails and boardwalk, chat with a naturalist in the Interpretive Center, take in educational programs and enjoy the sights and sounds of nature.

Planetarium Trip Tips

- Seating is limited and on a first-come, first served basis.
- Programs begin promptly at the scheduled showtime and guests should arrive in time to park and visit restrooms.
- Planetariums are not like movie theaters; the interior is too dark to allow guests to come and go. Latecomers will not be admitted, but tickets will be honored at a later showing (if seating is available).
- Once the lights go down, visitors can leave but are not permitted to re-enter.
- Doors open 10 minutes before showtime and close precisely at showtime.
- Due to the extreme darkness, planetariums are not recommended for children under the age of 4.
- Photography of any kind is not allowed once the show begins.
- Strollers, food and beverage are not allowed in the theater.
- Turn off cell phones and other electronic devices while inside the theater.
- The theater is fully accessible, but guests requiring special accommodations should call 504.587.2105 before arriving.
- Tickets are not refundable, but can be redeemed for another show at a later date if space is available.

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