Telescopes in Chile
7-9 p.m., March 1
$10 per person, $15 per couple
free for members

Want to see the night sky from a whole new perspective? Join us on Friday, March 1 in the Hurst Planetarium from 7-9 p.m. for the beginning of the "First Friday" Series. Dr. Shannon Schmoll, director of the Abrams Planetarium at Michigan State University, will share 360 degree images from her research in Chile, home to some of the most important telescopes in the world. The audience will enjoy a fully immersive experience as Dr. Schmoll compares the Michigan night sky to Chile and recounts her fascinating travels.

**FREE for Members**
Regular Admission $10, $15 for two

Cash Bar Available
Ticket also includes light snacks from Cherry Creek Winery

As a member, to RSVP to Friday's Event, please reply to this E-mail or call the museum at 517-787-2320

Rescue Mission in Space Murder Mystery at the Museum

6-9 p.m., March 23
$60 per person or $110 for 2 tickets
Members $55 per person or $100 for 2 tickets
Join us for another stimulating evening of fine dining and engrossing live theater as we host our second annual Mystery Dinner. In keeping with our year-long celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Hurst Planetarium, our production this year will be “Rescue Mission in Space,” an exciting story of black holes, disappearing planets and heroines. Tickets include an out-of-this world pasta bar provided by the Catering Company of Jackson and entertainment, a cash bar is available. Costumes encouraged! If a museum member, please call 517.787.2320 for special member price.

Get Tickets Here!

"First Fridays"

First Friday of the Month
7–9 p.m., March 1–December 6
$10 per person, $15 per couple
free for members

We are excited to announce a new series called "First Fridays" that showcases the wonderful and varied resources the museum has to offer, including the Hadwin Center galleries at the Ella Sharp Museum, the Hurst Planetarium, and Cell Block 7. Starting in March, join us on the First Friday of the month to enjoy a special program along with a chance to socialize over light snacks and a cash bar. Programs will include lectures on telescopes around the world in the Hurst Planetarium, artist talks and hands-on exploration of new exhibits in the galleries, and the chance to learn more about the history of our surrounding community. So mark your calendars for every First Friday in 2019!

Exhibit Changeover

Current Exhibits leave March 3

2 Ella Sharp Museum exhibits are changing over in early March, so if you haven't seen Image as Idea or Petticoat Patriots, now is your chance to see them!
Image as Idea
The exhibition features a diverse body of work representing the artist Kon Prokos’ career-long interest in color and composition. Prokos approaches these themes through experimentation with subject matter and technique.

Petticoat Patriots
Exhibition panels loaned from Michigan Women Forward #HERStory (formerly the Michigan Women’s Hall of Fame), supplemented with items from the Ella Sharp Museum’s collection. In 2010 the Center created Petticoat Patriots: How Michigan Women Won the Right to Vote to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution granting women the right to vote.

Be Like Ella!
More than 100 years ago Ella Sharp willed her home to the people of Jackson to become a museum. Sustaining her legacy requires ongoing dedication and resources. Your generosity now helps ensure that Ella’s gift will last into the future. Show your commitment to Jackson by donating to the museum today!

Donate Here

2019 Planetarium Public Shows

Sundays at 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., & Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

Perseus and Andromeda
Sundays at 1:30 p.m.
Experience the ancient legends of the night sky! Perseus & Andromeda is a fun-filled retelling of the legendary Princess Andromeda and Perseus, as they try to escape the great sea monster set upon Andromeda by her mother, Cassiopeia. Recommended for Ages 5-13.

**The Sun: Our Living Star**  
Sundays at 2:30 p.m. & Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.  
February 17–April 30

The Sun has shone on our world for four and a half billion years. The light that warms our skin today has been felt by every person who has ever lived. Discover the secrets of our star in this planetarium show and experience never-before-seen images of the Sun’s violent surface in immersive fulldome format.