

Astronomy Colloquium

Spring 2026 Schedule

Mondays at 3:45pm MST

Room 103 in the Physical Sciences Building 19

- ❖ **January 12, 2026: David Trilling, NAU**
Topic: State of Department of Astronomy and Planetary Sciences
- ❖ **January 26, 2026: Mike Bland, USGS**
Research area: Planetary Geology
Expertise: Thermal and tectonic evolution of ice-rich bodies
- ❖ **February 2, 2026: Keith Nowicki, NAU**
Research area: Laboratory Experiments
Expertise: Computational imaging and optical physics
- ❖ **February 9, 2026: Ben Lucas, NAU**
Research area: Other Astronomy & Astrophysics
Expertise: Machine learning and environmental data science
- ❖ **February 16, 2026: Shannon Curry, CU Boulder**
Research area: Solar System Science
Expertise: Planetary atmospheres
- ❖ **February 23, 2026: Tiger Lu, Flatiron**
Research area: Exoplanets and Star/Planet Formation
Expertise: Planet dynamics
- ❖ **March 2, 2026: Nicholas Stone, UW Madison**
Research area: Other Astronomy & Astrophysics
Expertise: Theoretical and high-energy astrophysics
- ❖ **March 23, 2026: Stefano Nerozzi, LPL-Uof A**
Research area: Planetary Geology
Expertise: Radar sounding and surfaces
- ❖ **March 30, 2026: David Nesvorny, SwRI**
Research area: Solar System Science
Expertise: Solar System formation and dynamics
- ❖ **April 6, 2026: Alex Polanski, Lowell Observatory**
Research area: Exoplanets and Star/Planet Formation
Expertise: Exoplanet observations
- ❖ **April 13, 2026: Ali Bramson, Purdue**
Research area: Planetary Geology
Expertise: Lunar volatiles and analog research
- ❖ **April 20, 2026: Christopher Edwards, NAU**
Research area: Planetary Geology
Expertise: Sabbatical Talk
- ❖ **April 27, 2026: Lauren McKeown, University of Central Florida**
Research area: Planetary Geology
Expertise: Ice surface processes