**Event:** Bakersfield College Planetarium Spring Schedule  
**Day:** For Immediate Release  
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Bakersfield College Planetarium Spring Presentations Taking place in the William M. Thomas Planetarium. The events are open to the public.

On Thursdays, March 15th and 22nd, and April 19th, the William M. Thomas Planetarium will be giving popular Astrology shows. Tickets are available at the Bakersfield College Ticket Office and online only (tickets will NOT be sold at the door. Prices are $10 for adults and $8 for seniors and children 5-12 years old. The BC Ticket Office is in Business Services (661-395-4326) and the William M. Thomas Planetarium is on the second floor, on the northwest end of the Math-Science Building, Room 112. See attached map. No food, drink, or gum/candy is allowed in the planetarium.

**Planetarium Shows at Bakersfield College**

**Thursday, March 15th, 7:30PM to 8:30PM**  
- **“From Dream to Discovery: Inside NASA”** begins with an exploration of the Hubble Space Telescope, with its many intricate parts that must work together to help this observatory achieve great things. From there, we explore the James Webb Space Telescope, currently under testing at NASA. Finally, the show explores the New Horizons mission to Pluto, revealing the engineering challenges the mission has faced in its ten-year headlong rush to a distant fascinating world.

**Thursday, March 23rd, 7:30PM to 8:30PM**  
- **“Dynamic Earth”**, narrated by Liam Neeson, explores the inner workings of Earth's climate system. With visualizations based on satellite monitoring data and advanced supercomputer simulations, this cutting-edge production follows a trail of energy that flows from the Sun into the interlocking systems that shape our climate: the atmosphere, oceans, and the biosphere. Audiences will ride along on swirling ocean and wind currents, dive into the heart of a monster hurricane, come face-to-face with sharks and gigantic whales, and fly into roiling volcanoes.

**Thursday, April 19th, 7:30PM to 8:30PM**  
- Narrated by George Takei, **“Incoming!”** explores the past, present, and future of our Solar System and the landmark discoveries scientists have made sending spacecraft to visit tiny worlds. Cutting-edge visualizations bring real-time data from current NASA missions to life while taking audiences on a ride through the dynamic story of our cosmic origins. Along the way, audiences will discover what these impacts from above can teach us—and how scientific advances may allow us to find and track cosmic threats before they reach planet Earth.

Bakersfield College offers a rigorous and supportive learning environment that fosters students’ abilities to think critically, communicate effectively, and demonstrate competencies and skills in order to engage productively in their communities and the world, while simultaneously contributing to the intellectual, cultural, and economic vitality of the communities it serves.
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