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## **WESTERN PLANETARIUM HOLDS FALL SERIES**

**St. Joseph, Mo.** —Oct. 10, 2006— The Missouri Western State University Planetarium will hold its fall series with shows entitled “More Than Meets the Eye,” “Hubble Vision,” “Lewis and Clark” and new this year, “Light Years from Andromeda.”

“Light Years from Andromeda” teaches the concepts of light speed and the light year. It also shows how astronomers use these speeds to measure distances to some familiar celestial objects like the moon, the sun, and the planets. The properties of light that help determine a star’s age and temperature are discussed, along with how light and distance allow us to “look back” further in time by gazing farther into space.

- Nov. 8: “More Than Meets the Eye”
- Nov. 13: “Hubble Vision”
- Nov. 14: “More Than Meets the Eye”
- Nov. 15: “Lewis and Clark”
- Nov. 20: “Light Years from Andromeda”
- Nov. 21: “Light Years from Andromeda”

All shows begin at 7 p.m. and last approximately 50 minutes. The seating capacity is 40 people. Tickets are \$3 each. Advance reservations are required and can be made by calling 816-271-4370. The planetarium is located in Evan R. Agenstein Hall, room 105.

Showings for school groups or organizations can be arranged by calling 816-271-4370.

The Bushman Planetarium held its first show in 1969. It underwent a complete renovation in 1998, including an upgrading of the computer-controlled programs and capabilities.

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