

OTHER WORLDS



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Adler Planetarium Announces Opening of *Other Worlds*

-An Interactive Look at Planets from the Familiar to the Extreme-

Adler Planetarium announces the opening of [Other Worlds](#), an exhibition that explores planetary bodies throughout the universe from the familiar to the extreme including gas giants, ice giants, super Earths, rocky worlds and more. Travel beyond our solar system to learn about the more than 5,000 discovered exoplanets that orbit around other stars, and get a new perspective on the planets closest to ours. *Other Worlds*, the Adler's newest permanent exhibition, encompasses around 6,500 feet of exhibit space, and replaces our iconic *Our Solar System* gallery, which first opened to the public in 2012.

Interactive elements of *Other Worlds* allow guests to literally feel like they are standing on another world in the "Walking on Other Worlds" immersive visualization experience. Guests can create and manipulate different types of planetary systems in the Stellar Playground—a 65" touchable interactive from Clark Planetarium, climb on a gas giant planet embedded in the floor, and discover some of the technology used to learn about planets near and far with telescope activities, models of the Mars Exploration Rovers, Mars Ingenuity helicopter and Adler's own *Aquarius Project* sled, which shows how young scientists found meteorites in Lake Michigan.

Exploring the incredible range of *Other Worlds* helps us better understand our home planet Earth. An enduring question asked throughout this new exhibition is: How do we know what we know about planetary bodies and why does this understanding matter? Guests will learn how planets have evolved in the human imagination, how people have learned about planets, and have the opportunity to express their thoughts about how we should explore other planets on our "Why Wall."

Other Worlds is open during all public hours, and is included with all [Adler admission](#) packages. All tickets must be purchased online, in advance. For more information about the exhibition, visit: <https://www.adlerplanetarium.org/explore/exhibits/other-worlds/>

About the Adler Planetarium

The Adler Planetarium connects people to the universe and each other. Whether it is introducing a guest to the Ring Nebula, a neighborhood school to a community partner, a research team to a network of citizen scientists, or one staff member to another, the Adler's focus on meaningful connections dates back nearly a century. The museum typically hosts more than half a million visitors each year and reaches millions more through youth STEAM programs, neighborhood skywatching events, people-powered research, and other outreach efforts. Today, the Adler is bringing our unique approach—scientific exploration rooted in community and connection—to guests from around the world who can enjoy the digital Adler from their own homes, libraries, schools or offices. With the Adler's support, people of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities gain the confidence to explore their universe together and return to their communities ready to think critically and creatively about any challenge that comes their way.



As guests enter the main part of the exhibit, they will see the giant planets of our solar system hanging overhead and a gas giant ringed exoplanet on the floor, inviting climbing and exploration.