



Other Worlds: The Discovery of Strange Planets Orbiting Other Stars

Friday, May 15, 7:00 p.m.
Tickets : \$15.00

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Award winning astronomer and educator Andrew Fraknoi spoke as the Emeritus Distinguished Lecturer in 2004 on "A Tourist's Tour of the Solar System." At that time, we learned that eight planets had been discovered around suns other than our own. Since then, about 300 more have been found. In "Other Worlds," Fraknoi will enlighten us about "the really weird planets out there." With illustrations, non-technical language and his irrepressible humor, he will also provide an update on our own solar system – the discovery of its other new planets and the fate of Pluto.

Fraknoi chairs the department of Astronomy at Foothill College in Los Altos Hills. He serves on the Board of Trustees of the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence (SETI) Institute and is a Fellow of the Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal (CSICOP), specializing in debunking astrology.

Educated at Harvard and UC Berkeley, Fraknoi received the Annenberg Foundation Prize of the American Astronomical Society in 1994 and the Klumpke-Roberts Prize of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific. Asteroid 4859 was renamed Asteroid Fraknoi in recognition of his excellence in sharing the excitement of astronomy with the public. Fraknoi was named California Professor of the Year in 2007 by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the Council of Advancement and Support of Education.

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