

# Tulare County Office of Education

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## **For Immediate Release**

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**Tulare County Office of Education Announces:**

## **Peña Planetarium will offer public shows for January & February**

**Evening Shows: 7:00 p.m., Fridays, January 24 & 31, and February 21**

**2500 Burrel Ave., Visalia**

*Visalia* – The Sam B. Peña Planetarium, operated by the Tulare County Office of Education, will offer the following shows in January and February.

### **Evening Show: January 24, 7:00 p.m. – *Saturn: Jewel of the Heavens***

From its bizarre moons with mysterious features to the millions of icy particles that compose the enigmatic rings, this program features a three-dimensional tour of the Saturnian system that includes information about our solar system.

### **Evening Show: January 31, 7:00 p.m. – *Black Holes: The Other Side of Infinity***

Experience the creation of the Milky Way Galaxy, and witness the violent death of a star and subsequent birth of a black hole. Mathematical equations, cutting-edge science, and Einstein's theories fill in holes along the way.

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## **Evening Show: February 21, 7:00 p.m. - *Perfect Little Planet***

Discover our solar system through a new set of eyes - a family from another star system seeking the perfect vacation spot. Fly over the surface of Pluto, dive over the ice cliffs of Miranda, sail through the rings of Saturn, feel the lightning storms at Jupiter, and walk on the surface of Mars. This is the solar system journey for space travelers of all ages.

The Planetarium is located at 2500 W. Burrel Ave. (in the Educational Enrichment Center) on the southwest corner of West Main Street and Woodland Drive in Visalia. Tickets are available at the Planetarium office only between noon and 7:00 p.m. on the day of the show. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. **No late seating is offered once the planetarium doors close.** For information, call (559) 737-6334.

For more information about the Peña Planetarium, visit [www.tcoe.org/planetarium](http://www.tcoe.org/planetarium).

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