



**Annenberg Space for Photography
Announces Special Events and Programs in Conjunction with New Exhibition
LIFE: A Journey Through Time by Frans Lanting**

**Photography workshops, film screenings, lectures
and a family fun festival with live animals,
among event highlights**

LOS ANGELES, CA (October 20, 2015)—The Annenberg Space for Photography today announced a series of special events and programs inspired by the exhibition [*LIFE: A Journey Through Time*](#), on view at the Photography Space through March 20, 2016. The exhibition presents a photographic interpretation of life on Earth from the Big Bang to the present by acclaimed *National Geographic* photographer Frans Lanting. Based on Lanting's epic, multi-year project, *LIFE* explores the story of our planet from its earliest beginnings to its present diversity, captured in over 70 images that evoke the complex wonder of nature through time. For more information on the exhibition and unique elements of its presentation at the Photo Space click [here](#).

LIFE-related programming at Skylight Studios kicks off with a special event, a free **Family Fun Weekend on October 24 and 25**, and will continue with photography workshops, film screenings and the Annenberg Space for Photography's signature programming, the **Iris Nights lecture series** that delve into the natural world, from plants and animals to the solar system.

For more information and to make reservations, visit <http://www.annenbergphotospace.org/events>.

PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS

**Saturday-Sunday
October 24-25, 2015
12 pm – 4 pm
FREE**

**Family Fun Weekend
Skylight Studios**

Come celebrate the opening of *LIFE: A Journey Through Time* with two days of fun for the whole family. [STAR Eco Station](#) will bring their exotic rescue animals for two meet-and-greet sessions on Saturday, October 24, and [Wildlife Waystation](#) will be bringing their animals by on Sunday, October 25. Afterwards, round out the day with a drop-in storytime with [Books and Cookies](#) and face painting. [Mom & Pop Shop's](#) popsicle cart will be on site with delicious homemade treats available for purchase.

**Sunday
November 8, 2015
11 am – 2 pm
Price: \$89**

**Introduction to Macro Photography Workshop
Skylight Studios**

Learn how to take a closer look at the world around you with an introductory course in macro photography taught by [Thomas Shahan](#), a macro photographer and artist who leads workshops around the world. This

workshop is perfect for both the experienced photographer looking to increase his or her skill in macro photography and the casual iPhoneographer. Practice your new skills by taking larger-than-life photos of [STAR Eco Station's](#) photogenic creepy-crawlies.

Sunday
November 15, 2015
11 am–1:30 pm &
2:30 pm–5 pm
Price: \$89

La Fleur Kitchen Kokedama Garden and Photography Workshop
Annenberg Space for Photography

Roll up your sleeves and join [Cherie Marquez](#) of [LaFleur Kitchen](#) with this hands-on kokedama/ iPhoneography workshop. Kokedama, which means “moss ball,” is the Japanese art form of enclosing a plant’s root mass in moss. First, students will learn the basics of creating these beautiful moss balls and build a three-piece garden set for their homes. Then, Cherie will share how she photographs her work, with tips and tricks for composition and editing using an iPhone, with an eye towards posting images on social media.

Saturday
December 5, 2015
5 pm–6:30 pm
Price: \$10

SKYGLOW: Timelapse Photography and Film Screening
Skylight Studios

Photographers and filmmakers Gavin Heffernan and Harun Mehmedinovic present an evening of stargazing as seen through their timelapse photography films and stills from their expeditions in search of the most breathtaking night skies in the United States.

Saturday
December 12, 2015
5pm–7pm
Price: \$18

Photographing the Cosmos: A Discussion on Astrophotography
Skylight Studios

Join us as we turn our attention to the sky and beyond with a moderated panel discussion on astrophotography past, present and future. Featured panelists include Director of Crew Operators at Space X and former NASA astronaut Garrett Reisman, NASA’s Imagery Acquisition Supervisor Mark Sowa and Caltech’s Infrared Processing and Analysis Center astronomer and visualization scientist Robert Hurt. Panel discussion moderated by Los Angeles Times science writer Amina Khan.

LIFE: A JOURNEY THROUGH TIME
IRIS NIGHTS LECTURE SERIES

With the Iris Nights lecture series inspired by *LIFE: A Journey Through Time*, guests and live stream viewers can hear from world-renowned photographers about photographing a range of wildlife on land and under the sea; as well as shooting on location in remote Canadian landscapes, the wetlands of the Florida Everglades and here in the Santa Monica Mountains. Lecturers will discuss ways to merge photography and conservation in the U.S. and abroad. 2016 Iris Nights highlights include a January 7 event with National Geographic Fellow **Joel Sartore**; exhibition photographer **Frans Lanting's** talk “Eye to Eye with LIFE” on February 11 and Vice President and Director of the Annenberg Foundation **Charles Annenberg Weingarten's** presentation “explore.org, Never Stop Learning” on February 25.

Tickets to all Iris Nights lectures are free of charge and available by online reservation on a first-come, first-served basis. The series is also available to view live online. To view complete series information and make reservations visit <http://www.annenbergphotospace.org/events>.

SERIES CALENDAR:

Thursday
October 29, 2015
6:30 pm

Piotr Naskrecki
The Smaller Majority

Thursday
November 5, 2015
6:30 pm

Steve Winter
The Quest for the Hollywood Cougar

Thursday
November 12, 2015
6:30 pm

Jess Findlay
A Wild Life

Thursday
November 19, 2015
6:30pm

Susan Middleton
Spineless: Portraits of Marine Invertebrates, The Backbone of Life

Thursday
December 3, 2015
6:30pm

Brian Skerry
Ocean Soul

Thursday
December 10, 2015
6:30pm

Mac Stone
Everglades

Thursday
December 17, 2015
6:30 pm

Joshua White
The Ecology of Memory

Thursday
January 7, 2016
6:30 pm

Joel Sartore
Photo Ark

Thursday
January 14, 2016
6:30pm

Rachel Sussman
The Oldest Living Things in the World

Thursday
January 21, 2016
6:30pm

Beth Wald
Immersion – Journeys in Light and Time

Thursday
January 28, 2016
6:30 pm

Paul Colangelo
Voices from the Wild

Thursday
February 4, 2016
6:30 pm

Morgan Heim
Fearless Acts

Thursday
February 11, 2016
6:30 pm

Frans Lanting | Exhibition Photographer
Eye to Eye with LIFE

Thursday
February 18, 2016
6:30 pm

Emma Kisiel
Seeing Animals

Thursday
February 25, 2016
6:30 pm

Charles Annenberg
explore.org, Never Stop Learning

Thursday
March 3, 2016
6:30 pm

Slideshow Night at the Annenberg Space for Photography
A new presentation of compelling images of nature from artists whose work complements the themes explored in *LIFE*.

Thursday
March 10, 2016
6:30 pm

Lauren Shohacker & Kendra Sollars
Animal Land: Visualizing Cohabitation & Conflict

Thursday
March 17, 2016
6:30 pm

Susan + Dan Gottlieb
A California Love Story – Gardening for Wildlife

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About the Annenberg Space for Photography

The Annenberg Space for Photography is a cultural destination dedicated to exhibiting photography. The intimate environment features state-of-the-art, high-definition digital technology as well as traditional prints by some of the world's most renowned and emerging photographers. It is the first solely photographic cultural destination in the Los Angeles area. The Photography Space conveys a range of human experiences and serves as an expression of the philanthropic work of the Annenberg Foundation and its Directors. Visit annenbergphotospace.org.

About the Annenberg Space for Photography Skylight Studios

The Annenberg Space for Photography Skylight Studios is a 5,000-square-foot multimedia studio and retail gallery located directly across Century Park from the Annenberg Space for Photography. Skylight Studios is the home of the Annenberg Space for Photography's Iris Nights lecture series, a free public program of presentations by photographers and other notable experts and guest artists. Skylight Studios provides an enhanced lecture viewing atmosphere and experience through state-of-the-art A/V equipment, a concert-quality audio system and HD broadcast capabilities.

Skylight Studios

10050 Constellation Blvd.

Los Angeles, CA 90067

Wednesday through Sunday: 11am – 6pm

Closed Mondays and Tuesdays.

Admission is free.

Parking with Validation is \$3.50 Wednesdays – Fridays and \$1.00 on weekends.

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