

The Lunar and Planetary Institute Presents

COSMIC EXPLORATIONS: A SPEAKER SERIES

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WHEN WILL WE FIND E.T. AND WHAT HAPPENS IF WE DO?

New approaches in the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence (SETI) suggest that, despite the continued dearth of signals, there is good reason to expect that success might be just around the corner — that we might find evidence of sophisticated civilizations within a few decades. But could there be danger in finding the aliens? Could their message be disruptive? What if we reply to their message? Some well-known scientists have warned us against getting in touch with extraterrestrials. Are they paranoid or prescient? Dr. Seth Shostak with the SETI Institute closes out the Lunar and Planetary Institute's 2013–2014 Cosmic Explorations Speaker Series with a discussion of the possible ramifications of making contact.

This FREE presentation at 7:30 p.m. is intended for inquisitive adults and will be followed by a light reception and an opportunity to meet Dr. Shostak.

Speaker presentation held at
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