Small Bodies Colloquium Series

- Like the Venus or Outer Planet CS
- Sponsored by NASA
- Supports the exchange of researchers between institutions
- White paper to Lindley Johnson, developed by Mark, Keith, and Julie (reviewers appreciated)
Purpose

The Venus Colloquium Series is a program of visits by planetary scientists to university campuses and research institutions, and is designed to raise awareness of current research in outer solar system science at the college level.

Participation is open to two- and four-year undergraduate colleges, and to research institutions throughout the United States. The Series is specially designed for host institutions that have planetary science research programs and the commitment to make the necessary local arrangements.

Benefits

Venus Colloquium Series events will contribute to the host institution’s academic program and intellectual environment in different ways. Presenters are scheduled to give a research colloquium or seminar presentation primarily for the professional / academic science community. They are encouraged to address the needs of the next generation of scientists (graduate students, interns, and undergraduates). They are also encouraged to give an additional, more general presentation that is free and open to the general public.

These presentations are expected to be on a range of topics, including, geology, geophysics, composition, atmospheres, spectroscopy, surface chemistry, volcanism, science instrumentation, and technological advances.

Other interactions that raise awareness about outer solar system science can be conducted as part of the visit. These may include guest teaching a class, interacting informally with students and faculty, visiting local precollege campuses, or other outreach opportunities.

Travel Expenses

This Colloquium Series will cover the presenter’s travel expenses. The host institution will not provide an honorarium for the speaker.

Application

To apply for a Venus Colloquium Series visit, please fill out the online request form. Please be sure to note your preferred presenter and range of dates. Please plan at least three months ahead. You will be notified once the application is received and processed. The schedule of activities is arranged directly by the host institution with the visiting presenter, in collaboration with the Venus Colloquium Series coordinator.
Are you interested??

**Primitive Bodies Colloquium Series – Notice of Interest**

Poll initiated by Julie Castillo, Keith Grogan, and Mark Sykes | 3 | 0 | 7 days ago

We would like to create a Primitive Bodies Colloquium Series following the format used by the Venus and Outer Planets communities:
http://vcs.jpl.nasa.gov/
http://outerplanets.jpl.nasa.gov/

This program would support the travel of speakers to universities, museums, institutes, etc. We want to probe the interest community for such a program in order to support the funding request proposal that will be sent to NASA. Your name will not be shared (we just need a count of prospective participants). Thanks!

3 participants

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