

STAR GAZETTE BUSINESS BITS — AUGUST 2017

Eclipse in Chicago

If you're not traveling to totality there are local festivities aplenty.

Solar Eclipse Dance Party at 360 Chicago (the Hancock Tower)

<https://www.timeout.com/chicago/blog/360-chicago-is-hosting-a-solar-eclipse-dance-party-in-august-072717>

Eclipse Block Party at the Adler and Daley Plaza

<https://www.timeout.com/chicago/blog/adler-planetarium-is-hosting-a-huge-block-party-for-the-solar-eclipse-071117>

See also:

- Evanston Public Library
- Chicago Botanic Garden
- Chicago Park District
- Chicago Public Library
- Morton Arboretum
- Naper Settlement
- Sea Dog Cruises
- Wonder Works Children's Museum
- Oak Park Public Library
- Joliet Junior College

Eclipse Booklets

Only two left – \$6 apiece. Glasses included with them are NOT properly certified; I will replace them with Rainbow Symphony glasses. If you purchased eclipse booklets previously, please bring the “made in China” eclipse glasses for replacement.

Perseid Meteors, too

The Eclipse isn't the only game in town! The Perseid meteor shower, already under way, peaks Aug 11-13.

Coming Events

12 Aug: **Picnic and Perseids**, Cantigny Park, Wheaton <http://www.cantigny.org/calendar/signature-events/stargazing>

16-19 Aug: **ASTROCON** – Casper, Wyoming <https://astrocon2017.astroleague.org/>

21 Aug: **Total Solar Eclipse** – Coast to coast! <http://www.greatamericaneclipse.com/>

25–27 Aug: **Northwoods Starfest**, Hobbs Observatory, Beaver Creek Reserve, Wisconsin www.cvastro.org

21–24 Sep: **Bootleg Astronomy Star Party**, Green River Conservation Area, Harmon
www.bootlegastronomy.com

21-23 Sep: **“Illinois Dark Skies Star Party”** Jim Edgar Panther Creek State Fish & Wildlife Area
<http://www.sas-sky.org/>

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