## **COLUMBIA ASTRONOMY OUTREACH PRESENTS:**



## STARGAZING & LECTURE SERIES

## Top II Astronomy Stories of 2011

A lecture by Jana Grcevich Friday, February 3rd, 7:00PM Pupin Hall, Columbia University

Earth's last loop around the Sun has been a busy one for astrophysics! The Kepler mission discovered over 3,000 new planets, one of which orbits two stars. NASA launched a space shuttle for the very last time. The Nobel Prize in physics was awarded to a group of astronomers for proving that the expansion of the universe is accelerating. In this talk I will rank, present, and explain 11 of the most compelling astronomical discoveries and events of the past year. Come to get caught up on the past year's astronomy stories, to reminisce, or to ask about something from the news.

These are free lectures at a public level followed by guided stargazing with telescopes (weather permitting). All events are held at Pupin Hall at Columbia University. No reservations are needed. Lectures are 30 minutes, stargazing lasts 90 minutes. Stay only as long as you want. For directions, weather updates and more information, please visit:

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