



# Important & New Information about Astronomy Day 2013

*Be sure to check this page frequently.  
It may change often as new information becomes available*

In 2007 we started offering both a spring and a fall date for Astronomy Day. Select one (or both) that fits your schedule

In 2009 we changed the Astronomy Day Award. Make sure you have to 2013 entry form.

1. Be sure to register your Astronomy Day events each year on this web site so others (including the media) can find out where Astronomy Day events are taking place. Go to the [Add update](#) page
2. Enter the Astronomy Day Award and win up to \$150 cash prize in 5 different prize categories. Click [here](#) for new rules, guidelines and the new entry form.
3. Sky Publishing not only has the [Astronomy Day Handbook](#) available for free downloading, they also have the popular [Good Neighbor Outdoor Lighting](#) flyer, a clear, simple info sheet on light pollution and how anyone can minimize it at [http://SkyTonight.com/astronomy\\_day](http://SkyTonight.com/astronomy_day)

4. The Abrams Sky Calendar available for Astronomy Day activities. Anyone celebrating the event is welcome to distribute any number of copies of the Sky Calendar with no restrictions, other than we ask that material not be deleted. . You can download both pdf's from our Sky Calendar web page at <http://www.pa.msu.edu/abrams/SkyCalendar/Index.html> Scroll down to the bottom of the page.
5. To increase PR for you Astronomy Day site, invite a local TV or Radio meteorologist to broadcast from your site giving either the local forecast or the weather forecast from various planets in our Solar System.
6. The Joint Astronomy Center in Hawaii has constructed a great interactive web site that allows input of one's birthday and then finds a star that many light years away: <http://outreach.jach.hawaii.edu/birthstars/>. Stars located by this wonderful program may not be bright however but are very customized to individual birthdays. See the FREE Astronomy Day Handbook for more details.
7. The Astronomical League has made arrangements for member society to purchase liability insurance at somewhat reasonable prices. If your society is a member of the League, contact the [Executive Secretary](#) to obtain details. Many shopping malls require liability insurance before they will let you do any type of display or program in their mall.