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Explore Eclipses at Defiance Public Library

[DEFIANCE] – In celebration of the upcoming eclipses, Defiance Public Library is hosting related events for all ages during the month of October.

For little learners (grades 1-6), “Kids Explore: Solar Eclipses” will take place Oct. 3 at 4:30 p.m. and Oct. 5 at 10:30 a.m. in the Children’s Room at Defiance Public Library, 320 Fort St. Attendees will learn what a solar eclipse is and how shadows work through a hands-on activity, plus participate in a space-themed sorting game, use a sun-spotter, and make an eclipse viewer (also known as a pinhole projector). No registration is needed.

For the adults, guests from the University of Toledo Ritter Planetarium and Brooks Observatory will present “Solar Phenomena” on Oct. 5 beginning at 6 p.m. in Defiance Public Library’s Nellie Gary Reading Room. Registration is required, and those interested can register at defiancelibrary.org/solar, or by calling the library at 419-782-1456.

Also Oct. 5, before Solar Phenomena gets underway, all ages are invited to do some sun-spotting outside Defiance Public Library beginning at 5 p.m. Multiple tools will be available to help attendees get a glimpse of the sun, including a solar telescope, sunoculars, and a sun-spotter (this will take place weather permitting).

Upcoming eclipse dates include an annular solar eclipse (partial) on Oct. 14, and a total solar eclipse on April 8, 2024.

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