



What's Up With the Astronomical League June, 2015

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4 Weeks Until ALCon 2015



Haven't registered for the National Convention of the Astronomical League, Alcon 2015, 7/6-7/11, 2015: You still have time.

Why attend ALCon?

Tours, Monday 7/6/2015:

Tour # 1 — Very Large Array (VLA) Radio Telescope in Magdalena, NM

Behind the scenes tour of VLA (bus or van transport; includes box lunch and sit-down dinner)

Tour # 2 — New Mexico Museum of Space History in Alamogordo, NM

NM Museum of Space History tours (bus or van transport; includes box lunch)

Tour, Tuesday 7/7/2015:

Tour # 4 — White Sands Missile Range, White Sands, NM

White Sands Missile Range Museum and launch facilities; (bus or van transport; lunch at Officer's Club) You must reserve this one NOW since security clearance is required and takes additional processing time.

Special Speakers:

- Keynote: Pat Hynes, Director, NM Space Grant Consortium (Everything But Astronomy; How We Keep the Public Looking Up)
- Other exciting and informative convention speakers including:
 - Dolores Hill (*The OSIRIS-Rex Asteroid Sample Return Mission: Approaching New Frontiers*)
 - Ifan Payne; Program Director, Magdalena Ridge Observatory (*Combining Star Light: The Magdalena Ridge Optical Interferometer*)
 - Astronomical League's National Young Astronomer Award presentations
 - Al Grauer, Observer, Catalina Sky Survey, University of Arizona; (*Space Rocks*)
 - Roger Venable; ALPO (*Recent Mars Images Showing Classical "Canals"*)
- StarBQue and Gala Banquet
- Many outstanding surprises to entertain our guests
- \$99 per night lodging rates at Hotel Encanto

Register here: <https://alcon2015.astroleague.org/registration/>