International Observe the Moon Night is a time to come together with fellow Moon enthusiasts and curious people worldwide. Each year, we invite everyone on Earth to observe and learn about the Moon together, and to honor the cultural and personal connections we all have with our nearest celestial neighbor.

Find resources, register your participation, and learn more at moon.nasa.gov/observe.

PARTICIPATE
Host an event or observe on your own! Events range from small family gatherings to community celebrations and can be held virtually or in person.

OBSERVE
We encourage you to interpret ‘observe’ broadly. You can go out and look at the Moon—or, tell your favorite Moon stories, watch a Moon-themed movie, touch a 3D print of a lunar landscape, or eat through the Moon phases with sandwich crème cookies. The possibilities are endless.

EXPLORE
We are sending humans to the Moon! 50 years after the Apollo program first landed on the lunar surface, NASA’s Artemis program is working to bring crewed missions to the Moon once again. A fleet of robotic spacecraft is helping us prepare to land safely and in areas of rich scientific interest. International Observe the Moon Night is an opportunity to discuss the past, present, and future of planetary science and exploration.

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Save the date
October 16, 2021
Join the worldwide celebration of the Moon!

75% of survey respondents reported that their interest in lunar science & exploration increased after observing and learning about the Moon during International Observe the Moon Night.

It's a great opportunity to share observation with millions around the world that provides a sense of unity through astronomy.

– Participant from Iraq

It was really amazing. We already sometimes look at the Moon, but that night was special because everyone in the world was looking at it, and I felt like apart but still together.

– Participant from Pakistan

The event was really fun. And of course it increased my knowledge about the Moon and makes me want to learn more about the Moon and other planetary research.

– Participant from Indonesia