



Dream Big
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**Dream Big - Read / Own the Night / Between the Covers
2012 SRP community partner prospects - Ohio observatories and planetariums
(and a few other ideas for "Night" programs)**

This is a list of Ohio establishments that align well with the 2012 Collaborative Summer Library Program nighttime theme. If you are looking for partners to offer programs, provide incentives or prizes, or otherwise support your SRP, these may be worth a look.

Please note that I have not contacted these institutions and cannot guarantee that any of them have the capacity to offer speakers, incentives, or other collaborations. If you contact any and get feedback that may be useful to other libraries, or if you know of additional establishments of interest to other libraries, please email jdwyer@library.ohio.gov and I'll add the info to this list.

You may also reach out to recruit program speakers/performers and incentives locally, including:

- Astronomy clubs
- College and university astronomy departments
- Wellness/relaxation providers e.g. yoga, meditation, guided imagery
- Ghost tours and ghost hunting clubs
- Literary organizations (ghost story/mystery workshops)
- Police outreach programs (night safety/self-defense)

Note: These links are provided as a service to libraries planning Summer Reading Programs. Inclusion does not constitute an endorsement or promotion by the State Library of Ohio.

Appold Planetarium (Sylvania)
<http://www.lourdes.edu/appold>

Armstrong Air and Space Museum (Wapakoneta)
<http://ohsweb.ohiohistory.org/places/nw01/index.shtml>

Astronomy Club of Akron Observatory (Akron)
<http://www.acaoh.org/observatory.htm>

Ballreich Observatory (Tiffin)
<http://svaac.org/>

Boonshoft Museum of Discovery, Astronomy Department (Dayton)
<http://www.boonshoftmuseum.org/areas-of-interest/astronomy?showall=1>

Bowling Green State University Planetarium and Observatory (Bowling Green)
<http://physics.bgsu.edu/planetarium/>

Burrell Memorial Observatory (Berea)
<http://www.bw.edu/academics/phy/ast/>

Cincinnati Observatory (Cincinnati)
<http://www.cincinnatiobservatory.org/>

COSI's Space exhibits (Columbus)
<http://cosi.org/exhibits/space>

Columbus Zoo and Aquarium (Powell)
http://www.colszoo.org/the_zoo_to_you/distance_learning/default.aspx
Nocturnal Animals distance program available anywhere by videoconference

Drake Planetarium and Science Center (Cincinnati)
<http://www.drakeplanetarium.org/>

Elgar Weaver Observatory (Springfield)
http://www4.wittenberg.edu/student_organizations/astronomy_club/weaver.html

Freedlander Park Observatory (Wooster)
<http://www.wcas.us/>

Hoover Price Planetarium (Canton)
http://www.mckinleymuseum.org/hoover_price_planetarium

Indian Hill Observatory (Indian Hill)
<http://cvas.cvas-north.com/default.html>

Kent State University Planetarium (Kent)
<http://planetarium.kent.edu/>

Mansfield Reformatory Preservation Society Ghost Events (Mansfield)
<http://www.mrps.org/pages/ghost-events>

Nielsen Observatory (Lagrange)
<http://www.metroparks.cc/special-facilities.php>

Oberlin College Observatory (Oberlin)
<http://www.oberlin.edu/observatory/>

Observatory Park (Montville)
<http://www.geaugaparkdistrict.org/observatorypark.shtml>
Observatory Park is one of only 5 parks in the U.S. to receive a Dark Sky designation.

Ohio Nature Education (Johnstown)
<http://www.ohionature.org/program.html>
Offers a Nocturnal Animals program

OSU Planetarium and Public Telescope (Columbus)
<https://astronomy.osu.edu/Outreach/planetarium/>

Ohio Wildlife Center (Columbus)
<http://www.ohiowildlifecenter.org/outreach.cfm>
Offers a Nocturnal Animals program

Perkins Observatory (Delaware)

<http://www.perkins-observatory.org/>

Raptor Center at Glen Helen (Yellow Springs)

http://antiochcollege.org/glen_helen/raptor_center/programs.html

They offer a program on Ohio's owls and will bring birds of prey to libraries for presentations.

Ritter Planetarium and Brooks Observatory (Toledo)

<http://www.utoledo.edu/nsm/rpbo/>

Schoonover Observatory (Lima)

<http://www.lima-allencvb.com/what-to-do/nature-a-science/item/42-the-schoonover-observatory.html>

Schuele Planetarium at the Lake Erie Nature and Science Center (Bay Village)

<http://www.lensc.org/planetarium/index.htm>

Shafran Planetarium and Mueller Observatory at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History (Cleveland)

<http://www.cmnh.org/site/AtTheMuseum/PlanetariumandObservatory.aspx>

Sidney Frohman Planetarium (Sandusky)

<http://www.sandusky-city.k12.oh.us/SanduskyPlanetarium.aspx>

Stephens Memorial Observatory (Hiram)

<http://stephensobservatory.org/>

Swasey Observatory (Granville)

http://www.denison.edu/library/collections/swasey_observatory.html

Ward Beecher Planetarium (Youngstown)

<http://www.wbplanetarium.org/>

Warren Rupp Observatory (Mansfield)

<http://wro.org/>

Weitkamp Observatory (Westerville)

<http://www.otterbein.edu/public/Academics/Departments/Physics/Facilities.aspx>

Wilderness Center Observatory and Planetarium (Wilmot)

<http://www.twcac.org/Planetarium/planetarium.htm>

Wolff Planetarium (Cincinnati)

<http://www.cincyparks.com/parks-events/central-region/burnet-woods/index.shtml>

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