Three weeks of live events Explore our dark skies with talks from astronomers, astrophotographers, authors, filmmakers, lighting and design professionals, performers, poets and outdoor adventurers

CUMBRIA DARK SKIES DARK SKIES festival 2021

Fri 5th - Sun 21st February

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Tristan Gooley: Wild Signs and Star Paths
Navigating using the stars is not complicated
Sat 6th 7:30pm

Terry Abraham: Life of the Mountains after Dark Film and conversation with Terry Abraham Sun 7th 7:30pm

Gary Lintern: Astrophotography

Night photos: getting the best from your camera

Mon 8th 7:30pm

Richard Darn: How photography changed our view of the heavens for ever

Tue 9th 7:30pm

What Future for the UK's Dark Skies?
Bob Mizon, The Commission for Dark Skies

Wed 10th 5pm (Children's show)

LUniverse Planetarium Show

An immersive journey through astrophysics and space

Wed 10th 7:30pm

Dark Sky Imaging - Astrophotography basics
Jeremy Hunt, Cockermouth Astronomical Society
Thu 11th 7pm

Matt Gaw: Under the Stars

In conversation, the power of light

Fri 12th 7:30pm

Moving Nightscapes: Choreographing Nightfall
Ellen Jeffrey explores the night dancing in the dark
Sat 13th 7pm

Dr Martin Kitching: Creatures of the Night

Nocturnal wildlife; the challenges of light pollution

Sun 14th 7pm

Harriet and Rob Fraser: Under a single sky, our spirits are starlight Poetry, stories and night images

Mon 15th 7pm

Good Lighting – Ask the Panel Q & APut your questions to the expert panel

Tue 16th 7:30pm

International dark skies for astronomical research Prof. John Stott, Lancaster University

Wed 17th 7:30pm

Rethinking Places After Dark

Nick Dunn, Prof. Urban Design, Lancaster University

Thu 18th 7:30pm

Dark Skies: A Journey into the Wild Night Tiffany Francis-Baker, author of 'Dark Skies'

Fri 19th 5pm (Children's Show)

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Heavens Above: Encounters with the Dark

through Film and Performance

Jonny Randall, Freelance Film/Theatre Maker

Sat 20th 7:30pm (Adult show)

LUniverse Planetarium Show

Exploring what you can see from the UK skies

Sun 21st 7pm

Phoebe Smith: Explorations Under the Stars

Photographs and inspiring stories

To book visit: darkskiescumbria.org.uk

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