DARK SKY MIMBRES

Looking for a magical night under the stars? Join the Mimbres Culture Heritage Site and the Hearst Observatory for a **FREE Stargazing** Adventure on **November 11, 2026.** Whether you're a returning stargazer or discovering the night sky for the first time, come enjoy an unforgettable evening beneath the stars! Bring your curiosity, gather your family and friends, and experience the cosmos with us!

Dark nights sustain critical wildlife ecosystems, strengthen the well-being of our communities, enable scientific discovery, and preserve shared cultural knowledge and traditions.

Location: **Mimbres Culture Heritage Site, 12 Sage Dr, Mimbres, NM** 88049. (Look for the brown Heritage Site signs on HWY 35 to find Sage Drive, which is a looped road.)

Arrive between 5:15-5:30PM to become familiar with the program layout and get set up. Astronomers will be setting up and answering questions.

Program: About 45 minutes after sunset, we'll begin with a brief introduction, then a laser-guided tour of the night's highlights, followed by deep-space and planet viewing through **high-quality telescopes with advanced amateur astronomers.**

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR DEVICES!

Protect Your Night Vision: Arrive on time to let your eyes adjust to the dark—this usually takes about 20–30 minutes.

Use Red Lights: To keep everyone's night vision sharp, please use red flashlights and/or headlamps pointed at the ground. White lights ruin night vision. (DIY: You can make your own by putting several layers of red automotive taillight tape over a regular flashlight).

The Heritage Site Gift Store and restrooms will be open throughout the event.

Email darkskymimbres@gmail.com or comment on this event posting with questions or to check-in on weather conditions!