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The Planetarium at the State Museum of Pennsylvania  
Presents

**DarkStar Adventure**

**July 7 through September 30, 2007**

**Harrisburg, PA** - On a dusty, dying planet in a far-off galaxy, a young girl's world is about to be shattered and her greatest adventure is about to begin. The State Museum of Pennsylvania Planetarium presents "*DarkStar Adventure*". With a cast of animated characters, an engaging "lost in space" storyline, roller-coaster ride special effects and a winning combination of science and entertainment, *DarkStar Adventure* is fun for the whole family.

Join Subrah, a teenager with a penchant for mischief, and her robot helper Sweeps on an unforgettable voyage of discovery. Lost in space, their only hope for survival is to solve a cosmic riddle that points the way home to the planet Bekenal. You'll witness the awesome power of a supernova, explore the heart of a gaseous nebula, visit exotic pulsars and learn to keep a safe distance from a black hole. You'll learn real science and experience real adventure. And of course, you'll have real fun.

A visit to the Planetarium at the State Museum of Pennsylvania includes the 28 minute feature presentation as well as a 5 minute preview of the constellations and other objects visible in our current night sky. Please allow 10 minutes extra time for entering and exiting from the venue once you have arrived at the Planetarium.

Public presentations of "*DarkStar Adventure*" are offered at 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays.

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New for the summer season are weekday shows at 2:00 p.m. July 10 through August 17. Also showing on Saturdays are “*Black Holes: the Other Side of Infinity*” at 11:00 a.m. and “*Mars*” at 11:30 a.m.

Tickets must be purchased prior to the show at the Museum Information Desk on the ground floor. Tickets are \$3.50 for adults; \$3.00 for children 12 and under and Senior Citizens. Members of the Pennsylvania Heritage Society® receive a discount rate of \$2.50. Members should present their membership cards at the Museum Information Desk to receive the discount. Group rates are available, call (717)772-6997. Please note the special effects during the planetarium shows may not be appropriate for children under age 2.

The State Museum of Pennsylvania, located at 300 North Street, is one of 25 historic sites and museums on the Pennsylvania Trail of History®, administered by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. Museum hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, 12 noon to 5 p.m. Individuals who need special assistance should call (717) 787-6778 or the Pennsylvania TDD relay service at (800) 654-5984. For more information on “*DarkStar Adventure*” as well as other Planetarium shows, programs, exhibitions and events at The State Museum, click on [www.statemuseumpa.org](http://www.statemuseumpa.org)

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