Upper Peninsula Dark Sky Festival

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The Upper Peninsula Dark Sky Festival at the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge is an event celebrating the dark skies in the upper peninsula of Michigan. With the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge being the headquarters of the Keweenaw Dark Sky Park, the resort is an ideal place to host the festival. This event takes place during or around the International Dark Sky Week and/or Earth Day. The

inaugural event was in 2023.

2024 UPPER PENINSULA DARK SKY FESTIVAL



KEWEENAW MOUNTAIN LODGE

THURSDAY - APRIL 11, 2024

8:00PM - OPENING GREETINGS

8:30 PM - STARGAZING IN THE KEWEENAW BY JEREMY ROWE AND CHRIS GUIBERT

9:30 PM - STARGAZING

FRIDAY - APRIL 12, 2024

1:00 PM - THE SKY IS THE LIMIT BY JAIME WESTFALL

3:30 PM - POSTCARDS FROM THE UNIVERSE
BY DR ROBERT NEMTROFF

8:00 PM - NIGHT SKY PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP RY NATE RETT

9:30 PM - STARGAZING ADVENTURE WITH ANDREW JOHNSON & THE OAC TEAM SATURDAY - APRIL 13, 2024

1:00 PM - EMBRACE THE DARKNESS T BY MELISSA KAELIŃ

3:30 PM – SOLAR SECRETS BY MARYBETH KICZENSKI

8:00 PM - THE EFFECTS OF LIGHT POLLUTION ON OUR WORLD BY DAVID FALKNER

9:30 PM - STARGAZING



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KEWEENAW MOUNTAIN LODGE

FRIDAY - APRIL 21, 2023

ALL TIMES ARE FASTERN STANDARD TIME

5:00 PM - SOCIAL HOUR - MEET AND GREET IN THE HISTORIC LODGE

6:00 PM - EVOLUTION OF THE KEWEENAW DARK SKY PARK BY TOHN MUFILER

8:45PM - STARGAZING ON SNOWSHOES BY THE OAC TEAM

SATURDAY - APRIL 22, 2023

12:30 PM - RUSTIC - WORLDLY LUNCH

2:00 PM - CHASING THE NORTHERN LIGHTS IN MICHIGAN BY MFITSSA KAFITN

3:30 PM -THE STORY BEHIND THE IMAGES
BY MARY BETH KICZENSKI

8:00 PM - NORTHERN LIGHTS PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP BY NATE BETT



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Instances of the Event

- 2025 Upper Peninsula Dark Sky Festival (April 24-26, 2025)
- 2024 Upper Peninsula Dark Sky Festival (April 11-13, 2024)
- 2023 Upper Peninsula Dark Sky Festival (April 21-22, 2023)

Recaps of Past Instances of the Festival

2023 Upper Peninsula Dark Sky Festival Recap