



## Now Showing

Choose the EduTarium program content that is right for your group.

An EduTarium is a classroom-in-a-classroom that enables students to visualize and interact with subject matter of all types in ways that are impossible with traditional learning aids.

### FEATURED PROGRAMS

- Culture in the Sky
- Reasons for the Seasons
- Math to the Rescue
- Rivers in the Ocean
- Explore the Night Sky
- What is Climate Change?
- Multi-media Geography Bee
- Others — please contact us

### CUSTOM PROGRAMS

- Multi-disciplinary programs that bring new creativity and visualization to enhance progress toward learning objectives
- Training for STARLAB® Portable Planetarium users and owners
- Workshops for teachers and staff with content tailored to your needs

*For a price quote or other information about programs and site visits, please call or Email The Sky Connection (see back panel)*

## Who We Are

### The Sky Connection

The Sky Connection was founded in 2004 to bring hands-on science to individuals and organizations in a unique and fun way. More recently, we have expanded our offering to include a wider range of topics involving culture, mathematics, and related disciplines. Our founder and chief astro-guide, Mike Marks, has delivered on-site programs, shows, and workshops to a variety of public and private venues with audiences ranging from 3 to 80 years of age. We cover New England and occasionally beyond doing groups of 20 to 750 using our traveling EduTarium.

From 2004 to 2008, Mike was an authorized sales representative of STARLAB® Portable Planetariums in New England. He still provides training and workshops on these products leveraging his extensive experience with this equipment and related curricula.



### How to contact us

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ENRICH YOUR WORLD IN OUR TRAVELING EDUTARIUM™

Explore, discover,  
and learn in exciting  
new ways.





## Let Us Help You Enrich Your World In Our Traveling EduTarium<sup>SM</sup>

Travel to the stars. Discover the myths of ancient cultures. Explore the depths of ocean currents, the breadth of mathematics, the debate over global warming, and much more. The Sky Connection can provide indoor programs in our traveling EduTarium, at your location — throughout New England and beyond. We can accommodate groups of various sizes by running multiple sessions. We can also deliver programs and teacher workshops according to state curriculum learning standards or programs tailored to the needs and interests of our clients, all in an environment that is highly conducive to learning.



## How the EduTarium Improves Learning!

Our traveling EduTarium provides all audiences with a unique visual perspective. The EduTarium dome environment enables students to experience the Earth, the sky and other phenomena up close in a very realistic format unlike traditional paper- or screen-based learning aids which deliver flat, often distorted and unimaginative impressions. Celestial events that take days, months, years, and even eons can be time-compressed into minutes, aiding learning significantly while the intimate nature of the dome fosters interaction and collaboration. Our ability to vary lighting conditions quickly and introduce audiovisual re-enforcements adds a unique dynamic dimension to the experience.

## Just Imagine!

Here are just a few examples of questions that can be answered best in our domed EduTarium environment.



**Is there a difference between sunlight and moonlight?**

See many days of moon phases unfold before your eyes.  
Will there be an eclipse this month?



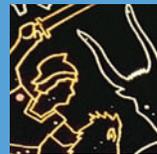
**Why are the rain forests so hot?**

See how the position of the Sun affects the weather around the world.



**How far is Saskatoon?**

Measure the actual distance between points on the globe.



**What do you see in star patterns?**

See the night skies through the eyes of different cultures.

## Pre-visit Planning Guide

- ✓ Our standard EduTarium holds about 25 children at a time, along with a few supervising adults. We offer a jumbo EduTarium, which accommodates groups of about 60 people.
- ✓ We offer programs of different durations to match the age mix and size of your group.
- ✓ The standard EduTarium requires an enclosed indoor space of 25 feet by 25 feet minimum with an unobstructed ceiling clearance of 11 feet and access to an AC electrical outlet.
- ✓ Everyone sits on the floor, so it should be flat and clean.
- ✓ The EduTarium is handicapped accessible.
- ✓ The temperature and humidity inside the dome are the same as that of the room in which it is inflated.
- ✓ The dome is not soundproof. Hence, its location should be selected carefully to eliminate distractions to the audience during programs.
- ✓ It is best to separate large school groups by age or grade levels.
- ✓ Download additional visit requirements from the "Programs" page of our website or contact us at 781-326-1823.



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