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The State Museum of Pennsylvania Presents Free Planetarium Shows for Harrisburg's "3rd in the Burg"

Harrisburg - The State Museum will present free planetarium shows the evening of Friday, Aug. 16, in conjunction with Harrisburg's monthly arts and entertainment celebration, "3rd in the Burg."

The show "We Are Aliens," will play at 6:30, 7 and 7:30 p.m.

"We Are Aliens" is a new 360-degree digital planetarium show that explores the extreme environments that support life on Earth. It also probes the age-old question, "Are we alone in the universe?"

The show is narrated by actor Rupert Grint, well known for his role as Ron Weasley in the Harry Potter movies. It is designed for general audiences.

The State Museum recently upgraded its planetarium, a long-time popular attraction, with a state-of-the art, new high-resolution digital projection system.

"If you haven't visited our planetarium since the new projection system was installed, this is a great opportunity to check it out," said State Museum Director David W. Dunn. "The new 'SciDome XD' provides five times the brightness and display capabilities of the museum's old projector."

The State Museum of Pennsylvania, adjacent to the State Capitol in Harrisburg, is one of 25 historic sites and museums administered by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission as part of the Pennsylvania Trails of History®. The State Museum offers expansive collections interpreting Pennsylvania's fascinating heritage.

With exhibits examining the dawn of geologic time, the Native American experience, the colonial and revolutionary era, a pivotal Civil War battleground, and the commonwealth's vast industrial age, The State Museum demonstrates that Pennsylvania's story is America's story.

For more information about the museum, visit www.statemuseumpa.org.

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