

PERKINS OBSERVATORY FEE SCHEDULE

As of January 2021 (non-negotiable)

Regular Public Programs at Perkins Observatory

Rates

Friday Guest Nights

Celebration of the Sun (Second Saturday in July)

New Vistas in Astronomy Monthly Adult Lecture Series

Tickets

\$10 ea.

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Passes

N/A

N/A

\$80 ea./yr

Availability and Ticket Information

All public programs have a maximum of 60 tickets available, though seating may be limited at some programs. Friday Guest Nights and Celebration of the Sun tickets purchased the day of the event are subject to a **\$2 upcharge** per ticket. No refunds for last minute cancellations or no shows. Tickets are non-transferable to other dates or programs.

Specially Scheduled Programs at Perkins Observatory

Rates by Group Size

Daytime program (Monday – Thursday)

Nighttime program (Monday – Thursday)

Saturdays (day or night)

Sundays (not available)

10-19

\$200

N/A

N/A

20-39

\$350

\$450

\$600

40-60

\$500

\$600

\$700

Note: There is never a guarantee of observing with the telescope, particularly with the 32" telescope. Clear skies do not guarantee use of telescopes.

Event Duration and Availability

Programs typically run two- to three-hours long. Group rates not applicable to Celebration of the Sun, New Vistas, or Friday night programs. Rescheduling special programs require two weeks advance notice.

Group Size and Guest Information

Programs must be arranged for a minimum of 10 guests, except Nighttime and Saturday programs which require a minimum of 20 guests. Maximum group size is 60 guests, no exceptions. Minors must be accompanied by responsible adults.

Payment Details and Additional Fees

\$100 non-refundable deposit due at the time of reservation. This will be applied to the final program cost. Program fee (minus the deposit) must be paid one week prior to event date. \$100 minimum clean-up fee (if necessary). Additional charges may apply.

Perkins Observatory Virtual Programs

May include Virtual Telescope observing (sky conditions/temperature dependent), virtual planetarium show, Q&A, or special subject lecture.

Daytime Zoom Session (Monday – Wednesday): **First hour is \$100, plus \$25 for each additional 15-minute increment**

Nighttime Zoom Session (Monday – Wednesday): **First hour is \$200, plus \$25 for each additional 15-minute increment**

Off-Site Perkins Observatory Program

Schedule Don Stevens, Director of Perkins Observatory, as a guest speaker/presenter at your special event. Observing with telescopes is available for an additional cost.

Daytime Booking (Monday – Thursday): **\$350**

Nighttime Booking (Monday – Thursday): **\$450**

Additional Fees

\$100 for use of telescopes or solar telescopes.

\$100 fee for groups over 100 guests.

If the event is more than 20 miles from Perkins Observatory, an additional **\$2 per mile fee** will be applied.