

Media, Public Invited to Visit NASA's James Webb Space Telescope Exhibit at South by Southwest

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AUSTIN, Texas, March 5, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE: NOC) is partnering with NASA and the Space Telescope Science Institute (STScI) to bring the James Webb Space Telescope back to the South by Southwest (SXSW) Gaming Expo at the Palmer Events Center March 7-9, 2014. Free to the public, the Webb Telescope exhibit will demonstrate the sheer size of the observatory that will be 100 times more powerful than Hubble. Visitors can talk with scientists and engineers who will share how Webb will inspire the next generation of scientists and engineers to push the boundaries of science and technology. The exhibit will also feature an 82-inch touch screen display provided by Microsoft that will show science visualizations and other videos, and tablets with Webb apps and handouts.



The Webb Telescope is NASA's top science program in development that will allow scientists to peer ever farther into the cosmos, seeing things no previous telescope can see and explore the formation of the first stars and galaxies.

What: The James Webb Space Telescope exhibit at SXSW will be open to the general public from Friday, March 7 through Sunday, March 9. Media are invited to interview scientists and engineers from NASA, STScI and Northrop Grumman about the tennis-court sized space telescope that will change our understanding of the universe.

For more information, including a full list of events, visit Northrop Grumman's event page at www.northropgrumman.com/WEBBatSXSW.

When: Visit the JWST exhibit inside the Palmer Events Center during the following dates/times:

- Friday, March 7 from 1 to 9 p.m.
- Saturday, March 8 from Noon to 8 p.m.
- Sunday, March 9 from Noon to 8 p.m.

Also, on Sunday, March 9 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., check out the SXSW Interactive panel, "First Signs: Finding Life on Other Planets." A panel of experts from NASA and Northrop Grumman will examine the important contributions telescopes like Kepler and Webb will make in the search for life in the universe, and set the stage for how Webb could find the first signs of life on another planet. For more information, go to: http://schedule.sxsw.com/2014/eyents/eyent_IAP17180.

Where: Palmer Events Center 900 Barton Springs Road Austin, TX 78704

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