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Have you had a chance this summer to attend a performance of the acclaimed Princeton Summer Theater? Have you checked out the latest exhibits at the Princeton University Art Museum? Have you enjoyed a weekend performance of the Princeton Carillon at the Graduate College? If you answer "no" to any of these questions, there is no time to waste. These summertime gems have just a few more opportunities for you to take advantage of in the month of August.

And talk about not wanting to miss out on an opportunity that won't come around again for a long time... don't miss the **Solar Eclipse Viewing Party** hosted by the Princeton Public Library and the Princeton University Department of Astrophysics on August 21st from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Palmer Square will clearly be "the place to be" during the eclipse. Check out the details below about this and other unique eclipse related events.

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Special Events

Astrophysical Sciences professor, Amitava Bhattacharjee, presents **The Eclipse is Coming**. Professor Bhattacharjee discusses the science behind the August 21st eclipse and help people understand what they will see. *Thursday, August 10; 7 pm; Princeton Public Library, 65 Witherspoon Street.*

Rachel DeLue, Associate professor of American art, discusses the **1918 paintings of the total solar eclipse** by portrait and landscape artist Howard Russell Butler, a graduate of the University's first school of science. *Wednesday, August 16; 7 pm; Princeton Public Library, 65 Witherspoon Street.*

The Department of Astrophysical Sciences and Princeton Public Library co-sponsor a **Solar Eclipse Viewing Party**. Bring your lawn chair or a blanket and party hosts will provide protective glasses and snacks. *Monday, August 21; 1-4 pm; Palmer Square.*

Theater

Princeton Summer Theater presents ***The Crucible***. Regarded as a one of the foremost classics of American theater, Arthur Miller's *The Crucible* uses the proceedings of the Salem witch trials to examine the manic effects of mass hysteria in society. As an increasing number of upstanding townspeople are accused of witchcraft, Miller emphasizes the contagious nature of fear and the elusiveness of truth. The 1953 Tony Award-winning play invites us to question the importance of upholding morality in times of hardship. *August 3-6; times vary; Hamilton-Murray Theater.*



PST closes its 48th season with ***Appropriate***. Members of the fragmented Lafayette family reconnect to settle their fathers affairs, but soon discover that they must first tackle their unresolved issues with each other. The Obie Award-winning play incorporates shocking reveals coupled with absurdist undertones that expose what it means to be part of a family, culture, and nation built upon a troubled history. A vivid and original take on the household drama, *Appropriate* takes its place in the American canon as an incomparable masterpiece. *August 10-13 and 17-20; times vary; Hamilton Murray Theater.*

Film

The Art Museum presents its outdoor summer film series. Inspired by the British artists featured in the exhibition *Great British Drawings from the Ashmolean Museum*, this summer's outdoor film series features British directors, actors, or themes.

The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe
Thursday, August 3

All films begin at sundown. In the event of rain, films will be shown at 8 p.m. in 101 McCormick Hall.

Music

Princeton University holds its annual **Summer Carillon Concert Series**. The Carillon is a musical instrument of 23 or more bells that when sounded produce music. Carillon bells are hung stationary with only the clapper moving against the lip of the bell. It is manually played from a console with both fists and feet activating batons and pedals attached to the clappers through mechanical linkage. There is no electronic assistance to ring the bells. Concerts are held rain or shine. *Sundays; through September 3; 1 pm: Graduate School, 88 College Road West.*



Annual Carillon Concert Series takes place on Sundays at 1 pm.

Art

Princeton University Art Museum

Great British Drawings from the Ashmolean Museum.

Selected entirely from the holdings of the world's oldest university museum and heralded as "A treasure chest of gorgeous surprises" by The Times of London, this exhibition provides

a rich and deeply varied survey of the drawing tradition in Britain. Great British Drawings showcases over 100 works by some of Britain's greatest artists from Thomas Gainsborough and J. M. W. Turner to Dante Gabriel Rossetti and David Hockney. *Through September 17.*



Transient Effects: The Solar Eclipses and Celestial Landscapes of

Howard Russell Butler. On Aug 21, 2017 the first solar eclipse of this century will be visible in the U.S. In 1918, Howard Russell Butler (1856-1934)- a portrait and landscape artist and graduate of Princeton University's first school of science-painted a new kind of portrait, of a very unusual sitter: the total solar eclipse. With remarkable accuracy, he captured those rare seconds when the moon disappears into darkness-crowned by the flames of the sun, whose brilliant colors had eluded photography. This exhibition brings together experts from the sciences and art history to present the history of Butler's unique paintings and the story of the artist who created them. It also opens up a broader historical exploration of experiments at the intersection of art and science. *Through October 15.*

Special Events

Celebrate summer and the new special exhibition Great British Drawings at the annual picnic on the lawn. Enjoy barbecue fare, live music, exhibition tours, and family-friendly activities including the Great Princeton Bake Off. Visit our website for details on how to enter your dessert! Musician John Burkhalter will offer English Country Dancing demonstrations. Stay until sunset for a screening of *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. Cosponsored by the Princeton YMCA. Thursday, August 3; 6-7:30 pm, Art Museum.

Discover the Art Museum's premier collections spanning antiquity to contemporary in a **Highlights Tour**, offered free of charge. Tours meet at the entrance to the Museum. *Saturdays and Sundays; 2 pm; Art Museum.*

Art for Families

Take an Artful Adventure around the world and through the ages. This series of self-guided tours and activities is available for families at all times. Pick up your Passport to Adventure at the Museum information desk and choose from our many Artful Adventures activity guides. Once you complete your adventure, visit the information desk to collect a sticker for your passport.

Other Exhibitions

The **2017 Art of Science exhibition** explores the interplay between science and art and consists of images produced during the course of scientific inquiry that have aesthetic merit. The entire Princeton University community - undergrads, faculty, post-docs, staff, graduate students, alumni - were invited to submit images or video. The exhibition will be on display through the end of the year in the Friend Center Atrium on the University campus. *Through April 2018; Friend Center Atrium; Monday-Friday; 9 am-5 pm.*



*"Bumper Moons
(Experiment 7)" by visual
arts major Louisa Willis '17,
2nd place co-winner.*

Science

Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory offers **free public tours** led by an engineer or physicist on the first and third Friday of most months at 10 a.m., at 100 Stellarator Road, Princeton, New Jersey. This month's tours is Friday, August 18. You must pre-register at to attend; **[click here to register.](#)**



*Visitors with a plasma ball and
other plasma demonstrations in
PPPL's Science Education
Laboratory.*

Images

Art

William Turner of Oxford, Stonehenge: Stormy Day, 1846. Watercolor over graphite on paper. Image ©Ashmolean Museum, University of Oxford

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