

Three weeks of live events -  
Explore our dark skies with talks from  
astronomers, astrophotographers,  
authors, filmmakers, lighting and  
design professionals, performers,  
poets and outdoor adventurers

# CUMBRIA DARK SKIES festival 2021

**Fri 5th - Sun 21st February**

**Fri 5th February 7pm**

**Tristan Gooley: Wild Signs and Star Paths**

Navigating using the stars is not complicated

**Sat 6th 7:30pm**

**Terry Abraham: Life of the Mountains after Dark**

Film and conversation with Terry Abraham

**Sun 7th 7:30pm**

**Gary Lintern: Astrophotography**

Night photos: getting the best from your camera

**Mon 8th 7:30pm**

**Richard Darn: How photography changed our**

**view of the heavens for ever**

**Tue 9th 7:30pm**

**What Future for the UK's Dark Skies?**

Bob Mizon, The Commission for Dark Skies

**Wed 10th 5pm (Children's show)**

**LUniverse Planetarium Show**

An immersive journey through astrophysics and space

**Wed 10th 7:30pm**

**Dark Sky Imaging - Astrophotography basics**

Jeremy Hunt, Cockermouth Astronomical Society

**Thu 11th 7pm**

**Matt Gaw: Under the Stars**

In conversation, the power of light

**Fri 12th 7:30pm**

**Moving Nightscapes: Choreographing Nightfall**

Ellen Jeffrey explores the night dancing in the dark

**Sat 13th 7pm**

**Dr Martin Kitching: Creatures of the Night**

Nocturnal wildlife; the challenges of light pollution

**Sun 14th 7pm**

**Harriet and Rob Fraser: Under a single sky, our  
spirits are starlight** Poetry, stories and night images

**Mon 15th 7pm**

**Good Lighting – Ask the Panel Q & A**

Put your questions to the expert panel

**Tue 16th 7:30pm**

**International dark skies for astronomical research**

Prof. John Stott, Lancaster University

**Wed 17th 7:30pm**

**Rethinking Places After Dark**

Nick Dunn, Prof. Urban Design, Lancaster University

**Thu 18th 7:30pm**

**Dark Skies: A Journey into the Wild Night**

Tiffany Francis-Baker, author of 'Dark Skies'

**Fri 19th 5pm (Children's Show)**

**LUniverse Planetarium Show**

An immersive journey through astrophysics and space

**Fri 19th 7:30pm**

**Heavens Above: Encounters with the Dark**

**through Film and Performance**

Jonny Randall, Freelance Film/Theatre Maker

**Sat 20th 7:30pm (Adult show)**

**LUniverse Planetarium Show**

Exploring what you can see from the UK skies

**Sun 21st 7pm**

**Phoebe Smith: Explorations Under the Stars**

Photographs and inspiring stories

**To book visit:  
darkskiescumbria.org.uk**

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