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Dean Parks Colloquium: Astronomy's Romantic Landscapes, Elizabeth Kessler, March 14, 6 pm, Gaines **Theatre**

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Please join us for the next installment of the 2011-12 Dean William Parks Colloquium exploration of the intersection of Art and Science.

Astronomy's Romantic Landscapes:

The Hubble Space Telescope Images and the Sublime

Speaker: Elizabeth Kessler Date: Wednesday, March 14

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Freeman Center, Gaines Theatre

The Hubble Space Telescope images define how we visualize the cosmos. Yet their appearance depends on the careful choices of astronomers who assign colors, adjust contrast, and compose the images. Dr. Kessler's talk will explore the visual culture of science and its relationship to art, in particular the striking resemblance between today's views of the cosmos and Romantic landscape paintings and photographs of the American West.

Elizabeth A. Kessler is a professor at Ursinus College. She earned a Ph.D from the Committee on the History of Culture at the University of Chicago, and has held fellowships at the Smithsonian Institute's National Air and Space Museum and Stanford University. Her book, "Picturing the Cosmos: The Hubble Space Telescope Images and the Astronomical Sublime", will be published in November 2012.

For more information, please, see:

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