

FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

401 W. Mountain St.
Fayetteville, AR 72701
479.856.7000
www.faylib.org

MEDIA ADVISORY

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Willow Fitzgibbon, Director, Library Services, 479-856-7210

Fayetteville Public Library Now Offering Telescope for Checkout

Fayetteville Public Library now has a telescope in its collection available for checkout by patrons. The telescope was donated to the library by Supporting STEM and Space, Inc. and is sponsored by Sugar Creek Astronomical Society.

The make and model of the telescope was specifically selected for ease of use and durability. In addition, the library has created a fast facts sheet and staff members have received training to assist patrons in using the telescope.

The telescope is available for checkout by any authorized patron over the age of 18. Patrons can check out the telescope for two week intervals.

“Our library is all about discovery,” said Fayetteville Public Library Executive Director David Johnson. “We are excited to share this telescope with our patrons in order to increase access to the night sky and foster scientific literacy.”

Supporting STEM and Space, Inc. is a local non-profit promoting STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) education in Northwest Arkansas. Their long-term goal is to establish a state-of-the-art science education facility in NWA.

Sugar Creek Astronomical Society is a service-focused amateur astronomy club. They promote public awareness of astronomy by hosting public star parties and lectures throughout the year. The club is providing the library with ongoing support and education along with maintenance of the telescope.

For more information, contact Willow Fitzgibbon, director of library services, at 479-856-7210, or send her an email at wfitzgibbon@faylib.org.

###