

UT SCIENCE FORUM

Spring 2015 — Revised Schedule of Speakers

Location: Thompson-Boling Arena: The Café in the Arena, Private Room C-D
Time: 12 noon to 1 p.m. on Fridays
Format: Eat and hear Guest Speaker. Bring your own lunch or purchase it at the Café.
40-minute presentation followed by Q&A discussion period

January 23

Paul Lewis
Director, Planetarium & Space Science Outreach
Department of Physics and Astronomy
“The UT Planetarium Goes Public”

January 30

Dr. Daniel Simberloff
Professor, Nancy Gore Hunger Chair
of Excellence in Environmental Science
“The Small Indian Mongoose:
Ongoing Spread of a Global Scourge”

February 6

Belinda Woodiel-Brill
Director of Marketing & Development
Knoxville Area Transit
“Critical Mass Transit: How Sprawling Development
Affects Our Lives and Transportation”

February 13

Bruce Cantrell and Jessica Fain
Associate & Adjunct Professors of Biology
Roane State Community College
“Classroom Under the Sea”

February 20

NO MEETING — ICE STORM

February 27

Dr. Takeshi Egami
Director, Joint Institute for Neutron Sciences;
UT-ORNL Distinguished Professor/Scientist,
Materials Sci. & Engr. and Physics & Astronomy
“Atoms Have Feelings Too: How They Suffer
and Get Frustrated in Liquids and Solids”

March 6

David Dixon
Graduate Teaching Associate in Nuclear Engineering
“Nuclear Power for Deep-Space Missions”

March 13

NO MEETING — SPRING BREAK

March 20

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March 27

Carol Evans
Executive Director
Legacy Parks Foundation
“Doing What Comes Naturally:
Knoxville’s Urban Wilderness”

April 3

NO MEETING — SPRING RECESS

April 10

Dr. Amy Fletcher
Associate Professor of Political Science
University of Canterbury (New Zealand)
“Bringing Back the Woolly Mammoth:
De-Extinction and the Paleo-Future”

April 17

Dr. David Mandrus
Professor of Materials Science & Engineering
“Discovering New Quantum Materials:
The Key Roles of Frustration and
Broken Symmetry”

April 24

Dr. Larry Taylor
Professor of Earth & Planetary Sciences
“30,000 Diamonds in a Rock:
Messengers from 100 Miles Deep”