

PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES

# Nancy Grace Roman and the Roman Space Telescope

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Speakers: Joan Gordon and Rachael Beaton

1  
00:00:08,509 --> 00:00:06,650  
all right welcome everybody Welcome

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00:00:10,910 --> 00:00:08,519  
everybody in the room everybody online

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00:00:12,530 --> 00:00:10,920  
listening to uh this month's Space

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00:00:13,610 --> 00:00:12,540  
Telescope Science Institute public

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00:00:15,950 --> 00:00:13,620  
lecture

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00:00:18,470 --> 00:00:15,960  
we really have a treat uh this month

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00:00:20,870 --> 00:00:18,480  
these public lectures are are usually on

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00:00:22,849 --> 00:00:20,880  
a Cadence that follow um around the

9  
00:00:24,290 --> 00:00:22,859  
early week of the month

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00:00:25,970 --> 00:00:24,300  
um but we have aligned this public

11  
00:00:27,589 --> 00:00:25,980  
lecture with a science meeting we are

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00:00:30,109 --> 00:00:27,599  
hosting here at the Space Telescope

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00:00:32,330 --> 00:00:30,119

Science Institute and so because of that

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00:00:33,770 --> 00:00:32,340

we have a lot of experts that happen to

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00:00:35,690 --> 00:00:33,780

be in the room here that are going to

16

00:00:38,810 --> 00:00:35,700

ask wonderful questions from our for our

17

00:00:40,430 --> 00:00:38,820

presenters and we also have a wonderful

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00:00:42,770 --> 00:00:40,440

guest who I'll introduce in a few

19

00:00:44,150 --> 00:00:42,780

minutes who will talk a bit about Nancy

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00:00:45,830 --> 00:00:44,160

Grace Roman

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00:00:50,209 --> 00:00:45,840

um the person not just the Space

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00:00:52,490 --> 00:00:50,219

Telescope so uh again at csci public

23

00:00:54,889 --> 00:00:52,500

lecture I let me do a few

24

00:00:56,810 --> 00:00:54,899

um housekeeping so I am Brandon lot and

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00:00:58,490 --> 00:00:56,820

I'm uh I'm a scientist in the office

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00:01:00,470 --> 00:00:58,500

public Outreach here and I lead our

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00:01:03,290 --> 00:01:00,480

efforts for Roman science Communications

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00:01:04,969 --> 00:01:03,300

at Space Telescope and I want a special

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00:01:06,950 --> 00:01:04,979

thanks to our amazing Tech Team Thomas

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00:01:08,570 --> 00:01:06,960

marufu and Grant Justice who are in the

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00:01:11,810 --> 00:01:08,580

back and making sure that this all runs

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00:01:14,570 --> 00:01:11,820

smoothly so that people online can can

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00:01:17,990 --> 00:01:15,950

okay

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00:01:19,010 --> 00:01:18,000

um just a plug of upcoming public

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00:01:22,190 --> 00:01:19,020

lectures

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00:01:24,170 --> 00:01:22,200

our next one uh will be on July 11th the

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00:01:26,810 --> 00:01:24,180

topic will be Stefan's quintet a

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00:01:29,030 --> 00:01:26,820

multi-wavelength exploration our very

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00:01:32,210 --> 00:01:29,040

own uh Frank Summers will give that

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00:01:34,609 --> 00:01:32,220

presentation in August we have the topic

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00:01:36,530 --> 00:01:34,619

for web Space Telescope the first year

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00:01:37,670 --> 00:01:36,540

of science it's already been a year of

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00:01:39,649 --> 00:01:37,680

science

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00:01:41,569 --> 00:01:39,659

um so we're reaching the the first

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00:01:42,830 --> 00:01:41,579

anniversary of the first images from

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00:01:45,469 --> 00:01:42,840

Webb and so we'll have a wonderful

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00:01:47,990 --> 00:01:45,479

presentation in August on on the first

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00:01:50,030 --> 00:01:48,000

year of science from web and then on

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00:01:51,590 --> 00:01:50,040

September 5th uh we have a topic

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00:01:54,350 --> 00:01:51,600

interstellar medium with the speaker

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00:01:55,730 --> 00:01:54,360  
Alexandra hermanowitz from Space

52  
00:01:58,910 --> 00:01:55,740  
Telescope

53  
00:02:00,649 --> 00:01:58,920  
so please join us for those also you can

54  
00:02:03,050 --> 00:02:00,659  
connect with us you can sign up at the

55  
00:02:04,550 --> 00:02:03,060  
web on our website at Hubble site you

56  
00:02:06,170 --> 00:02:04,560  
can subscribe to the YouTube channel we

57  
00:02:08,990 --> 00:02:06,180  
have all of our previous public lectures

58  
00:02:11,510 --> 00:02:09,000  
there and you can also submit uh

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00:02:14,270 --> 00:02:11,520  
comments and questions

60  
00:02:16,670 --> 00:02:14,280  
and we have several social media

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00:02:18,589 --> 00:02:16,680  
channels to get involved depending on um

62  
00:02:20,449 --> 00:02:18,599  
your interests so of course we have

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00:02:22,369 --> 00:02:20,459

social media channels aligned with

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00:02:24,410 --> 00:02:22,379

Hubble's telescope web telescope NASA

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00:02:28,010 --> 00:02:24,420

Roman and The Space Telescope Science

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00:02:30,890 --> 00:02:28,020

Institute so you can find us in multiple

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00:02:33,530 --> 00:02:30,900

places okay

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00:02:35,630 --> 00:02:33,540

okay so I wanted to just do a couple

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00:02:36,949 --> 00:02:35,640

slides just to set the stage and then

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00:02:40,309 --> 00:02:36,959

our speakers are going to take it away

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00:02:42,170 --> 00:02:40,319

okay so first we are here to talk about

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00:02:45,229 --> 00:02:42,180

the Nancy Grace Roman Space Telescope

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00:02:47,390 --> 00:02:45,239

and Nancy Grace Roman so who was Nancy

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00:02:49,550 --> 00:02:47,400

Grace Roman uh she was NASA's first

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00:02:55,070 --> 00:02:49,560

chief of astronomy

76  
00:02:57,830 --> 00:02:55,080  
um she uh joined NASA in the 1950s when

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00:02:59,509 --> 00:02:57,840  
NASA as an agency was only a few months

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00:03:02,150 --> 00:02:59,519  
old so she was in at the very early

79  
00:03:05,089 --> 00:03:02,160  
stages and she is credited with

80  
00:03:07,009 --> 00:03:05,099  
shepherding essentially the astrophysics

81  
00:03:09,170 --> 00:03:07,019  
program and what became of the flagship

82  
00:03:12,649 --> 00:03:09,180  
astrophysics missions and other

83  
00:03:14,690 --> 00:03:12,659  
astrophysics Missions at Nasa and so uh

84  
00:03:16,190 --> 00:03:14,700  
you'll hear more about Nancy Grace Roman

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00:03:18,890 --> 00:03:16,200  
in a few minutes

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00:03:22,970 --> 00:03:18,900  
um but that just sets the stage for for

87  
00:03:25,250 --> 00:03:22,980  
uh who she was and now the telescope

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00:03:26,570 --> 00:03:25,260

um for those for those listening to the

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00:03:29,270 --> 00:03:26,580

public lecture online

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00:03:31,790 --> 00:03:29,280

um I want to set the stage for comparing

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00:03:33,050 --> 00:03:31,800

this with uh Hubble and web in some ways

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00:03:34,490 --> 00:03:33,060

so

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one of the important things to think

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00:03:39,170 --> 00:03:36,060

about for the science of the Nancy Grace

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00:03:41,750 --> 00:03:39,180

uh Nancy Grace Roman Space Telescope is

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00:03:43,490 --> 00:03:41,760

is that it is going to be very

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00:03:45,050 --> 00:03:43,500

complementary and special in its own way

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00:03:47,390 --> 00:03:45,060

and complementary with web and Hubble

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and this is just one way in which we can

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00:03:52,250 --> 00:03:50,459

show that we have Hubble and Roman you

101  
00:03:53,990 --> 00:03:52,260  
can see the mirrors the light buckets

102  
00:03:55,369 --> 00:03:54,000  
that collect the photons from the

103  
00:03:57,589 --> 00:03:55,379  
Universe

104  
00:04:00,170 --> 00:03:57,599  
um Hubble and Roman have same size

105  
00:04:01,750 --> 00:04:00,180  
mirrors Webb has a larger size mirror so

106  
00:04:05,210 --> 00:04:01,760  
it's very sensitive

107  
00:04:06,830 --> 00:04:05,220  
to collecting photons from faint objects

108  
00:04:09,289 --> 00:04:06,840  
in the universe in a particular infrared

109  
00:04:12,649 --> 00:04:09,299  
sources because it has a very thin layer

110  
00:04:15,649 --> 00:04:12,659  
of gold and so web is very great at

111  
00:04:17,210 --> 00:04:15,659  
collecting photons from faint objects in

112  
00:04:18,770 --> 00:04:17,220  
the in the distant universe or faint

113  
00:04:21,469 --> 00:04:18,780

objects in the universe

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00:04:24,409 --> 00:04:21,479

but then you can see on down here under

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00:04:26,210 --> 00:04:24,419

wavelength uh they are very these

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00:04:28,909 --> 00:04:26,220

missions are very complementary Hubble

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00:04:30,650 --> 00:04:28,919

is not going away anytime soon

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00:04:33,350 --> 00:04:30,660

um and we certainly hope it keeps going

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00:04:36,469 --> 00:04:33,360

for many many many many more years and

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00:04:38,810 --> 00:04:36,479

in a particular Hubble Is Our eye to the

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00:04:40,610 --> 00:04:38,820

ultraviolet Universe we do not have

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00:04:42,469 --> 00:04:40,620

another Space Telescope planned in the

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00:04:44,530 --> 00:04:42,479

in the near term that we'll be able to

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00:04:46,969 --> 00:04:44,540

do what Hubble can do

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00:04:48,590 --> 00:04:46,979

Hubble of course also observes through

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00:04:51,290 --> 00:04:48,600

the visible spectrum and into the

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00:04:53,390 --> 00:04:51,300

near-infrared Roman is sort of in this

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00:04:56,090 --> 00:04:53,400

little sweet spot here and between

129

00:04:57,710 --> 00:04:56,100

visible and near ir and then web goes

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00:05:00,050 --> 00:04:57,720

way out into the infrared into the mid

131

00:05:01,749 --> 00:05:00,060

infrared okay and so Webb has

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00:05:04,370 --> 00:05:01,759

capabilities again

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00:05:06,710 --> 00:05:04,380

that is provided by going into those

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00:05:09,350 --> 00:05:06,720

larger wavelength regime

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00:05:10,370 --> 00:05:09,360

all right so what Roman really brings to

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00:05:13,550 --> 00:05:10,380

the table

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00:05:14,990 --> 00:05:13,560

is that it's a survey telespace

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00:05:17,330 --> 00:05:15,000

telescope

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00:05:19,430 --> 00:05:17,340

Roman will have hubble-like resolution

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00:05:21,890 --> 00:05:19,440

hubble-like equality data in the near

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00:05:24,350 --> 00:05:21,900

infrared but it will have about 200

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00:05:26,510 --> 00:05:24,360

times Hubble's infrared view of the

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00:05:28,129 --> 00:05:26,520

universe and so that's what we call its

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00:05:30,529 --> 00:05:28,139

field of view and so that's what you see

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00:05:33,050 --> 00:05:30,539

in the upper right is you see that funny

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00:05:35,210 --> 00:05:33,060

shape there that's the collect that's

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00:05:37,850 --> 00:05:35,220

the that's the collected field of view

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00:05:40,070 --> 00:05:37,860

of the 18 detectors on Romans wide field

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00:05:42,469 --> 00:05:40,080

instrument camera and that's what it can

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00:05:44,029 --> 00:05:42,479

see in one pointing and here for a

151  
00:05:46,189 --> 00:05:44,039  
comparison you can see what Hubble and

152  
00:05:48,830 --> 00:05:46,199  
Webb can see in one pointing so really

153  
00:05:52,670 --> 00:05:48,840  
Roman is going to be instrumental pun

154  
00:05:55,790 --> 00:05:52,680  
intended for building up maps of the

155  
00:05:58,969 --> 00:05:55,800  
universe at high resolution it's going

156  
00:06:01,189 --> 00:05:58,979  
to be a much faster Space Telescope than

157  
00:06:03,290 --> 00:06:01,199  
Hubble and Webb it will be able to take

158  
00:06:05,810 --> 00:06:03,300  
an image move very quickly take an image

159  
00:06:08,990 --> 00:06:05,820  
very quickly and build up these really

160  
00:06:11,510 --> 00:06:09,000  
high resolution Maps and so these three

161  
00:06:13,189 --> 00:06:11,520  
observatories working together are

162  
00:06:15,710 --> 00:06:13,199  
really going to feed a lot of our

163  
00:06:18,590 --> 00:06:15,720

understanding of astrophysics throughout

164

00:06:20,870 --> 00:06:18,600

the 2020s and into the 2030s

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00:06:21,469 --> 00:06:20,880

and so with that context

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00:06:24,650 --> 00:06:21,479

um

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00:06:26,990 --> 00:06:24,660

I just want to introduce our first

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00:06:29,749 --> 00:06:27,000

speaker

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00:06:34,129 --> 00:06:29,759

so I would I want to introduce Dr Joan

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00:06:36,590 --> 00:06:34,139

Gordon so Joan got her PhD in 1982 from

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00:06:39,350 --> 00:06:36,600

the Ohio State University in Psychology

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00:06:41,870 --> 00:06:39,360

and she met Nancy Grace Roman through

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00:06:43,790 --> 00:06:41,880

her aunt who was a member in the

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00:06:45,770 --> 00:06:43,800

American Association of University women

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00:06:47,570 --> 00:06:45,780

with Nancy

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00:06:49,490 --> 00:06:47,580

and Joan became a close friend of

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00:06:50,270 --> 00:06:49,500

Nancy's uh later in life in her later

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00:06:52,969 --> 00:06:50,280

years

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00:06:54,590 --> 00:06:52,979

and after Nancy's death Joan authored

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00:06:56,809 --> 00:06:54,600

the press release for the Associated

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00:06:59,469 --> 00:06:56,819

Press and co-produced the segment aired

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00:07:02,870 --> 00:06:59,479

on Sunday today with Willie Geist

183

00:07:04,430 --> 00:07:02,880

Joan will be sharing a personal side of

184

00:07:11,809 --> 00:07:04,440

Nancy with you all

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00:07:16,850 --> 00:07:14,689

thank you thank you I just want to make

186

00:07:21,830 --> 00:07:16,860

sure everybody can hear

187

00:07:26,210 --> 00:07:23,390

so we're just getting so I just only

188

00:07:29,689 --> 00:07:26,220

have a few slides to share the kind of

189

00:07:34,249 --> 00:07:29,699

like keep me on point so I don't drift

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00:07:38,029 --> 00:07:34,259

into outer space no pun intended

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00:07:40,370 --> 00:07:38,039

all right thank you and here um I know

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00:07:43,370 --> 00:07:40,380

her and please forgive me if I call her

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00:07:46,790 --> 00:07:43,380

Nancy Grace I'll try to say Dr Roman as

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00:07:49,670 --> 00:07:46,800

as much as possible but I know her as a

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00:07:53,450 --> 00:07:49,680

family and as as friend we're not blood

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00:07:56,510 --> 00:07:53,460

related but we were so close she was

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00:08:02,809 --> 00:07:56,520

like a second mom for me

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00:08:02,819 --> 00:08:06,110

let's see

199

00:08:13,309 --> 00:08:10,430

or if it's this way there we go try it

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00:08:14,689 --> 00:08:13,319

one more time okay to the left or to the

201  
00:08:20,390 --> 00:08:14,699  
right

202  
00:08:22,670 --> 00:08:20,400  
so I'm going to play a video

203  
00:08:24,650 --> 00:08:22,680  
um that Nassau produced it's less than

204  
00:08:27,830 --> 00:08:24,660  
seven minutes but it talks about her

205  
00:08:29,930 --> 00:08:27,840  
entire life and some of her aspirations

206  
00:08:33,829 --> 00:08:29,940  
and all and then from that I'm going to

207  
00:08:41,889 --> 00:08:33,839  
share stories about Nancy Grace Dr Roman

208  
00:08:41,899 --> 00:08:54,050  
let's go

209  
00:08:54,060 --> 00:09:09,670  
sorry it's okay

210  
00:09:16,490 --> 00:09:13,550  
we may need an it911 so while they're

211  
00:09:19,730 --> 00:09:16,500  
doing that let me just give you my

212  
00:09:21,829 --> 00:09:19,740  
background so I did my work at the Ohio

213  
00:09:23,750 --> 00:09:21,839

State University I got my doctorate and

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00:09:26,630 --> 00:09:23,760

my Master's there in instructional

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00:09:29,930 --> 00:09:26,640

television and in Psychology and

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cultural anthropology for fast forward I

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mean it's been a number of years in

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Corporate America working for IBM

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working for what was in Lucent

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Technologies and then for the past 13

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years I've been in the military health

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00:09:44,269 --> 00:09:42,540

system most of the time working at

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00:09:46,910 --> 00:09:44,279

Walter Reed National military Medical

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00:09:49,910 --> 00:09:46,920

Center so when they did the big merger

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00:09:52,250 --> 00:09:49,920

between the Army Walter Reed and with

226  
00:09:54,470 --> 00:09:52,260  
the national Naval Medical Center I had

227  
00:09:56,690 --> 00:09:54,480  
overall responsibility of training

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00:09:58,670 --> 00:09:56,700  
thousands of people who would either

229  
00:10:01,130 --> 00:09:58,680  
work at Walter Reed National military

230  
00:10:04,009 --> 00:10:01,140  
Medical Center or go down to Fort

231  
00:10:14,690 --> 00:10:04,019  
Belvoir Community Hospital the lady

232  
00:10:20,650 --> 00:10:16,610  
we want to see the video you need to

233  
00:10:26,520 --> 00:10:24,170  
what lady would take mathematics instead

234  
00:10:34,430 --> 00:10:26,530  
of Latin

235  
00:10:37,430 --> 00:10:36,710  
the idea of Hubble was something that

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00:10:40,009 --> 00:10:37,440  
was

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00:10:42,590 --> 00:10:40,019  
among the astronomical Community for

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00:10:45,949 --> 00:10:42,600

Generations it was not something that

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00:10:48,769 --> 00:10:45,959

was new astronomers badly wanted a large

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00:10:51,590 --> 00:10:48,779

telescope above the atmosphere well I

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00:10:53,990 --> 00:10:51,600

decided that if the aerospace companies

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00:10:56,449 --> 00:10:54,000

were going to put a lot of money into

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00:10:59,449 --> 00:10:56,459

designing a telescope they might as well

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00:11:01,910 --> 00:10:59,459

design one that made sense so what I did

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00:11:03,710 --> 00:11:01,920

was to bring together a collection of

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00:11:06,530 --> 00:11:03,720

astronomers from all over the country

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trying to represent a variety of things

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00:11:12,230 --> 00:11:09,300

that we might do with the telescope and

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00:11:15,410 --> 00:11:12,240

to bring and some NASA engineers and get

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00:11:16,910 --> 00:11:15,420

them to sit down together and come up

251  
00:11:18,829 --> 00:11:16,920  
with something that the engineers

252  
00:11:20,760 --> 00:11:18,839  
thought would work and that the

253  
00:11:24,170 --> 00:11:20,770  
astronomers thought would do their job

254  
00:11:29,410 --> 00:11:25,100  
foreign

255  
00:11:34,970 --> 00:11:32,569  
I just wanted to satisfy my curiosity

256  
00:11:37,430 --> 00:11:34,980  
and astronomy in particular was the

257  
00:11:39,769 --> 00:11:37,440  
subject I wanted to learn more about I

258  
00:11:41,090 --> 00:11:39,779  
blamed my mother because she used to

259  
00:11:43,370 --> 00:11:41,100  
take me out and show me the

260  
00:11:45,769 --> 00:11:43,380  
constellations and show me the Northern

261  
00:11:48,889 --> 00:11:45,779  
Lights things like that I just was

262  
00:11:51,889 --> 00:11:48,899  
fascinated went between fifth and sixth

263  
00:11:53,810 --> 00:11:51,899

grade I organized my friends into an

264

00:11:56,990 --> 00:11:53,820

astronomy club to study the

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00:11:59,750 --> 00:11:57,000

constellations and by seventh grade I

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00:12:01,670 --> 00:11:59,760

decided I wanted to be an astronomer and

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00:12:03,650 --> 00:12:01,680

I was going to try for it I knew it was

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00:12:06,710 --> 00:12:03,660

going to take me another 12 years of

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00:12:08,569 --> 00:12:06,720

schooling but I figured I'd try and if I

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00:12:11,389 --> 00:12:08,579

didn't make it I could probably could

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00:12:13,190 --> 00:12:11,399

teach physics or math in high school I

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00:12:15,710 --> 00:12:13,200

certainly did not receive any

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00:12:18,530 --> 00:12:15,720

encouragement I was told from the

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00:12:21,310 --> 00:12:18,540

beginning that women could not be

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00:12:24,050 --> 00:12:21,320

scientists in high school one of the

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00:12:26,090 --> 00:12:24,060

experiences I remember is I asked my

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00:12:29,090 --> 00:12:26,100

guidance counselor for permission to

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00:12:31,790 --> 00:12:29,100

take a second year of algebra instead of

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00:12:34,490 --> 00:12:31,800

a fifth year of Latin and she looked

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00:12:37,069 --> 00:12:34,500

down her nose at me and sneered what

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00:12:42,110 --> 00:12:37,079

lady would take mathematics instead of

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00:12:45,290 --> 00:12:42,120

Latin the first encouragement I got was

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00:12:47,150 --> 00:12:45,300

in my junior year at College when the

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00:12:50,870 --> 00:12:47,160

head of the physics department came up

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00:12:52,970 --> 00:12:50,880

to me in lab one day and said you know I

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00:12:57,410 --> 00:12:52,980

usually try to talk women out of going

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00:12:58,910 --> 00:12:57,420

into physics but I think maybe you might

288

00:13:02,090 --> 00:12:58,920

make it

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00:13:04,250 --> 00:13:02,100

by a big astronomical research area when

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00:13:07,610 --> 00:13:04,260

I started out was what they call

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00:13:10,069 --> 00:13:07,620

Spectral classification looking at stars

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00:13:12,410 --> 00:13:10,079

spreading the light out into a rainbow

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00:13:15,170 --> 00:13:12,420

so that you can see the different colors

294

00:13:17,150 --> 00:13:15,180

separately what I started out doing was

295

00:13:20,509 --> 00:13:17,160

looking at these Spectra looking at

296

00:13:22,490 --> 00:13:20,519

these rainbows and deciding the

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00:13:25,009 --> 00:13:22,500

temperature and the brightness of the

298

00:13:27,110 --> 00:13:25,019

stars and then I was trying to find out

299

00:13:28,310 --> 00:13:27,120

how far away they were and how they

300

00:13:32,030 --> 00:13:28,320

moved

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00:13:34,250 --> 00:13:32,040

my thesis Professor was one I often

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00:13:36,650 --> 00:13:34,260

didn't get the support that I'd expected

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00:13:38,690 --> 00:13:36,660

there was a period in which he went for

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00:13:40,970 --> 00:13:38,700

six months without speaking to me even

305

00:13:42,470 --> 00:13:40,980

when I said hello to him in the hall he

306

00:13:47,870 --> 00:13:42,480

didn't want to have anything to do with

307

00:13:53,269 --> 00:13:50,870

I didn't think I could get tenure as a

308

00:13:55,730 --> 00:13:53,279

research astronomer I didn't think I

309

00:13:58,610 --> 00:13:55,740

could stay as I say in the academic

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00:14:00,769 --> 00:13:58,620

Community because I looked around in the

311

00:14:02,810 --> 00:14:00,779

I think there was one other woman in

312

00:14:06,949 --> 00:14:02,820

astronomy who had tenure in this country

313

00:14:08,269 --> 00:14:06,959

but I saw a very uh senior women who

314

00:14:10,970 --> 00:14:08,279

didn't have it

315

00:14:13,850 --> 00:14:10,980

when NASA came along and offered me a

316

00:14:18,949 --> 00:14:13,860

job I decided to take it I started in

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00:14:21,470 --> 00:14:18,959

NASA in 1959 it was six months old when

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00:14:24,470 --> 00:14:21,480

I joined the government I was hired as a

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00:14:26,389 --> 00:14:24,480

fresh PhD in spite of the fact that I

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00:14:30,009 --> 00:14:26,399

had not only six years of experience

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00:14:33,170 --> 00:14:30,019

with an international reputation and

322

00:14:36,230 --> 00:14:33,180

afterwards they understood the reason my

323

00:14:39,050 --> 00:14:36,240

salary at the University was so low that

324

00:14:41,689 --> 00:14:39,060

Civil Service did not recognize it as a

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00:14:44,509 --> 00:14:41,699

professional experience being the first

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00:14:45,970 --> 00:14:44,519

executive woman at Nasa turned out not

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00:14:51,410 --> 00:14:45,980

to be terribly

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00:14:54,230 --> 00:14:51,420

eventful I was accepted very readily as

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00:14:56,569 --> 00:14:54,240

a scientist and as in my job the men

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00:14:58,490 --> 00:14:56,579

were very Cooperative then I felt that

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00:15:01,189 --> 00:14:58,500

the men treated me as one of the team

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00:15:05,329 --> 00:15:01,199

without a problem Civil Service had

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00:15:09,170 --> 00:15:05,339

rewards for outstanding work

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00:15:11,030 --> 00:15:09,180

but it was they were limited to men to

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00:15:14,689 --> 00:15:11,040

someone who decided that there should be

336

00:15:17,449 --> 00:15:14,699

something for women in 1962. I received

337

00:15:19,670 --> 00:15:17,459

a federal women's award we all met with

338

00:15:24,650 --> 00:15:19,680

Kennedy in the course of receiving the

339

00:15:30,710 --> 00:15:27,590

I'm happy about the fact that women can

340

00:15:35,290 --> 00:15:30,720

get senior jobs now and they're not

341

00:15:38,210 --> 00:15:35,300

being quite as as discouraged as I was

342

00:15:40,790 --> 00:15:38,220

but I think the two things that I would

343

00:15:43,790 --> 00:15:40,800

like to see change one is sell risk

344

00:15:46,189 --> 00:15:43,800

salaries are still not equal

345

00:15:50,930 --> 00:15:46,199

and the other thing is I'd like to see

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00:15:53,810 --> 00:15:50,940

more uniform women across the ranks

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00:15:55,250 --> 00:15:53,820

women can get into senior positions in

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00:15:57,470 --> 00:15:55,260

astronomy now

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00:15:59,910 --> 00:15:57,480

but they're percentage-wise there's

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00:16:02,389 --> 00:15:59,920

still few at the high levels

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00:16:05,990 --> 00:16:02,399

[Music]

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00:16:08,810 --> 00:16:06,000

it's hard to to decide how history will

353

00:16:11,569 --> 00:16:08,820

view my accomplishments people generally

354

00:16:13,189 --> 00:16:11,579

aren't terribly interested in what gets

355

00:16:15,170 --> 00:16:13,199

saved started

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00:16:17,150 --> 00:16:15,180

and so I'm not sure they're going to

357

00:16:32,389 --> 00:16:17,160

have much of an idea of my rule

358

00:16:32,399 --> 00:16:46,610

foreign

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00:16:46,620 --> 00:16:49,550

it's okay

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00:16:54,290 --> 00:16:51,410

great thank you

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00:16:57,350 --> 00:16:54,300

so I thought that would do a much better

362

00:17:00,110 --> 00:16:57,360

job about Nancy Grace Roman and her

363

00:17:02,170 --> 00:17:00,120

career versus me going through what she

364

00:17:05,449 --> 00:17:02,180

had shared with me I'll share some

365

00:17:08,510 --> 00:17:05,459

stories in relation to her career and

366

00:17:10,970 --> 00:17:08,520

personal things as well so here I have

367

00:17:13,610 --> 00:17:10,980

it as she was family and friend

368

00:17:14,829 --> 00:17:13,620

especially in the later lives in her

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00:17:17,689 --> 00:17:14,839

later life

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00:17:20,689 --> 00:17:17,699

I spent a lot of time with her because

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00:17:23,510 --> 00:17:20,699

she and my aunt stayed in an independent

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00:17:26,329 --> 00:17:23,520

living she had her apartment my aunt had

373

00:17:29,210 --> 00:17:26,339

hers and so whatever I would visit I had

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00:17:31,370 --> 00:17:29,220

to visit both whenever we had dinner we

375

00:17:33,350 --> 00:17:31,380

would have dinner together we had dinner

376

00:17:36,230 --> 00:17:33,360

together for Thanksgiving and Christmas

377

00:17:39,529 --> 00:17:36,240

year after year after year where when

378

00:17:42,370 --> 00:17:39,539

they dwelled in the same place

379

00:17:46,010 --> 00:17:42,380

so I really got to know Nancy Grace then

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00:17:49,130 --> 00:17:46,020

I met her back in 2006 I had heard of

381

00:17:51,529 --> 00:17:49,140

her but I met her then and I would take

382

00:17:54,110 --> 00:17:51,539

her to some recognition programs or

383

00:17:55,909 --> 00:17:54,120

places where she was judging

384

00:17:58,190 --> 00:17:55,919

competitions

385

00:18:00,650 --> 00:17:58,200

Etc in The Sciences

386

00:18:03,409 --> 00:18:00,660

and then I got to get to know her even

387

00:18:05,570 --> 00:18:03,419

much later

388

00:18:08,570 --> 00:18:05,580

so I knew her through my art and this is

389

00:18:10,730 --> 00:18:08,580

my aunt over here and they met at the

390

00:18:13,789 --> 00:18:10,740

American Association of University women

391

00:18:16,850 --> 00:18:13,799

back in the 70s and they served on

392

00:18:20,810 --> 00:18:16,860

committees together they created a

393

00:18:23,510 --> 00:18:20,820

memoir group and so Dr Roman let me keep

394

00:18:26,750 --> 00:18:23,520

saying Dr Roman had some Memoirs that I

395

00:18:28,970 --> 00:18:26,760

don't know where they are right now but

396

00:18:30,890 --> 00:18:28,980

she wrote a lot of things about her life

397

00:18:33,289 --> 00:18:30,900

I know that she was working with

398

00:18:34,370 --> 00:18:33,299

somebody who was going to do a biography

399

00:18:37,549 --> 00:18:34,380

of her

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00:18:39,470 --> 00:18:37,559

has anyone heard anything about that

401

00:18:41,690 --> 00:18:39,480

I didn't I didn't get her name I

402

00:18:44,390 --> 00:18:41,700

remember her telling me that

403

00:18:46,190 --> 00:18:44,400

so they they met there and I used to go

404

00:18:48,770 --> 00:18:46,200

to the meetings with them or take them

405

00:18:51,049 --> 00:18:48,780

to the meetings more of that and so I

406

00:18:53,090 --> 00:18:51,059

got a chance to know her even better and

407

00:18:56,390 --> 00:18:53,100

another thing was Explorer vision and

408

00:18:57,770 --> 00:18:56,400

that was a competition for kids like

409

00:19:01,010 --> 00:18:57,780

Middle School through High School

410

00:19:03,830 --> 00:19:01,020

between Toshiba and the National Science

411

00:19:06,590 --> 00:19:03,840

teaching Association she was one of the

412

00:19:09,350 --> 00:19:06,600

judges and these kids would come up with

413

00:19:12,110 --> 00:19:09,360

solution scientific solutions to

414

00:19:14,330 --> 00:19:12,120

problems and what was really neat and

415

00:19:18,409 --> 00:19:14,340

going here is that because that started

416

00:19:20,510 --> 00:19:18,419

in 92 you would hear from graduates who

417

00:19:23,510 --> 00:19:20,520

have gone on to medicine or anything

418

00:19:25,490 --> 00:19:23,520

else and how it started there and then

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00:19:26,570 --> 00:19:25,500

they did a lot of

420

00:19:29,330 --> 00:19:26,580

uh

421

00:19:32,029 --> 00:19:29,340

sayings in terms of what Nancy Grace had

422

00:19:33,710 --> 00:19:32,039

inspired them so usually after these

423

00:19:36,289 --> 00:19:33,720

sessions she was always surrounded by

424

00:19:40,310 --> 00:19:36,299

kids and they were under autograph or

425

00:19:45,409 --> 00:19:42,289

this was one of the things she was

426

00:19:48,590 --> 00:19:45,419

really proud of with the the Legos

427

00:19:51,470 --> 00:19:48,600

and so I told her I said well I know

428

00:19:53,690 --> 00:19:51,480

that she's very interested in setting up

429

00:19:57,169 --> 00:19:53,700

funding for women who wanted to pursue

430

00:19:58,970 --> 00:19:57,179

the sciences and so I I recommended I

431

00:20:01,250 --> 00:19:58,980

said well listen from the sale of this

432

00:20:04,850 --> 00:20:01,260

maybe a proceed of that can go toward it

433

00:20:07,250 --> 00:20:04,860

I don't know if that really happened but

434

00:20:12,650 --> 00:20:07,260

she was really really excited and

435

00:20:18,650 --> 00:20:14,870

now I'm just going to talk about her as

436

00:20:20,289 --> 00:20:18,660

the person tenacious resilient and a

437

00:20:23,750 --> 00:20:20,299

trailblazer

438

00:20:25,630 --> 00:20:23,760

tenacious I remember her telling me how

439

00:20:28,310 --> 00:20:25,640

she knew she wasn't going to get tenure

440

00:20:31,789 --> 00:20:28,320

and so it was like okay so what am I

441

00:20:33,470 --> 00:20:31,799

going to do and then she met someone who

442

00:20:35,810 --> 00:20:33,480

said that he was looking for somebody to

443

00:20:39,289 --> 00:20:35,820

work at Nasa within the next six months

444

00:20:41,930 --> 00:20:39,299

and then she was hired tenacious from a

445

00:20:45,470 --> 00:20:41,940

personal side it was very cold to see

446

00:20:47,450 --> 00:20:45,480

maybe it was back in 2016 and we were

447

00:20:49,250 --> 00:20:47,460

concerned that she needed a new winter

448

00:20:57,350 --> 00:20:49,260

coat

449

00:21:02,630 --> 00:21:00,230

I wanted to get one so that it gathered

450

00:21:05,570 --> 00:21:02,640

and the cold wouldn't go you know in and

451

00:21:07,669 --> 00:21:05,580

I tried on all these coats all excited

452

00:21:09,350 --> 00:21:07,679

about I called her down to my aunt's

453

00:21:13,490 --> 00:21:09,360

apartment and I said I have something

454

00:21:16,850 --> 00:21:13,500

for you and so I bought a hat scarf and

455

00:21:18,950 --> 00:21:16,860

matching gloves with it and I said well

456

00:21:21,529 --> 00:21:18,960

listen I think this this can really help

457

00:21:24,049 --> 00:21:21,539

you you should you should take this oh

458

00:21:26,450 --> 00:21:24,059

no I can't take this oh no no I already

459

00:21:28,610 --> 00:21:26,460

have a winter coat I don't need this I

460

00:21:31,190 --> 00:21:28,620

said if you would just please try it on

461

00:21:34,250 --> 00:21:31,200

for me I'd spent a long time trying to

462

00:21:37,010 --> 00:21:34,260

get this coat and then she put it on and

463

00:21:39,770 --> 00:21:37,020

she said you know no one's ever done

464

00:21:42,890 --> 00:21:39,780

anything like this for me

465

00:21:44,930 --> 00:21:42,900

but she wouldn't take it and I think the

466

00:21:47,990 --> 00:21:44,940

reason why oh yeah I was really really

467

00:21:50,149 --> 00:21:48,000

upset but I couldn't show it that much

468

00:21:51,590 --> 00:21:50,159

but anyway because we both were like you

469

00:21:53,090 --> 00:21:51,600

know you're gonna take this coat no I'm

470

00:21:53,810 --> 00:21:53,100

not you're gonna take it you know I'm

471

00:21:56,810 --> 00:21:53,820

not

472

00:21:58,909 --> 00:21:56,820

and so I think she really didn't want to

473

00:22:02,330 --> 00:21:58,919

take advantage of my quote-unquote

474

00:22:04,669 --> 00:22:02,340

kindness and I said but we're family and

475

00:22:05,870 --> 00:22:04,679

I'm doing this for you don't worry I

476

00:22:08,090 --> 00:22:05,880

said I don't you know I don't want you

477

00:22:10,190 --> 00:22:08,100

to pay for it or anything I just want to

478

00:22:11,690 --> 00:22:10,200

make sure that you're warm because she

479

00:22:15,470 --> 00:22:11,700

used to take that shuttle and go

480

00:22:18,230 --> 00:22:15,480

everywhere shopping to the Kennedy

481

00:22:20,090 --> 00:22:18,240

Center and I just wanted her warm

482

00:22:22,310 --> 00:22:20,100

she won that one

483

00:22:25,029 --> 00:22:22,320

so that was so I said okay yeah she's

484

00:22:28,490 --> 00:22:25,039

tenacious there was another incident

485

00:22:31,130 --> 00:22:28,500

where her lamp wasn't working

486

00:22:34,789 --> 00:22:33,289

okay either we can go on Amazon but I

487

00:22:38,149 --> 00:22:34,799

think I'm just going to go and get you a

488

00:22:40,970 --> 00:22:38,159

new lamp and she said you will not you

489

00:22:43,130 --> 00:22:40,980

will not get me a lamp we are going to

490

00:22:46,070 --> 00:22:43,140

fix this lamp we're going to repair this

491

00:22:49,070 --> 00:22:46,080

lamp and you're going to help me and

492

00:22:51,470 --> 00:22:49,080

then she said my father raised me to be

493

00:22:54,169 --> 00:22:51,480

independent and my father taught me who

494

00:22:56,870 --> 00:22:54,179

in her father was a scientist he taught

495

00:23:00,049 --> 00:22:56,880

me how to fix a lamp and I'm going to

496

00:23:01,490 --> 00:23:00,059

teach you so she wrote everything out

497

00:23:04,250 --> 00:23:01,500

that had to go to the local hardware

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00:23:07,190 --> 00:23:04,260

store not Home Depot or any new I had to

499

00:23:10,610 --> 00:23:07,200

go to the local hardware store and I got

500

00:23:13,610 --> 00:23:10,620

whatever she needed and we was we sat at

501  
00:23:16,070 --> 00:23:13,620  
her dining room table with this lamp and

502  
00:23:18,770 --> 00:23:16,080  
we replaced the wiring to it and she

503  
00:23:23,270 --> 00:23:18,780  
taught me how to do that she was

504  
00:23:25,430 --> 00:23:23,280  
extremely proud but in a humble way but

505  
00:23:27,230 --> 00:23:25,440  
very resourceful

506  
00:23:29,630 --> 00:23:27,240  
so that was one of the things so I said

507  
00:23:32,870 --> 00:23:29,640  
okay I'm glad that I learned how to do

508  
00:23:35,210 --> 00:23:32,880  
that when I would visit now we have

509  
00:23:37,430 --> 00:23:35,220  
grocery stores right

510  
00:23:40,250 --> 00:23:37,440  
she thought her refrigerator was a

511  
00:23:43,010 --> 00:23:40,260  
grocery store for me and so she would go

512  
00:23:46,430 --> 00:23:43,020  
to her refrigerator she'd call me Joni

513  
00:23:48,470 --> 00:23:46,440

not Joan but Joni here take this here I

514

00:23:49,909 --> 00:23:48,480

got extra this and blah blah blah blah

515

00:23:52,850 --> 00:23:49,919

blah you know I think you should have

516

00:23:54,470 --> 00:23:52,860

this uh take this home with you and I'm

517

00:23:57,230 --> 00:23:54,480

want to say do I look like I'm not

518

00:23:59,690 --> 00:23:57,240

eating or you know what's the problem

519

00:24:00,950 --> 00:23:59,700

so what I did with her I said okay

520

00:24:02,990 --> 00:24:00,960

because I used to do some of the

521

00:24:05,330 --> 00:24:03,000

shopping if she wasn't able to do it I

522

00:24:08,510 --> 00:24:05,340

realized let me just shop just enough

523

00:24:10,669 --> 00:24:08,520

for her not get a whole lot that she

524

00:24:14,090 --> 00:24:10,679

would want to share with me

525

00:24:15,950 --> 00:24:14,100

so I said that that fixed that problem

526

00:24:18,529 --> 00:24:15,960

I was the one that helped her with her

527

00:24:20,930 --> 00:24:18,539

computer if she had problems with the

528

00:24:23,450 --> 00:24:20,940

printer and she wouldn't have maybe I

529

00:24:25,370 --> 00:24:23,460

shouldn't say this but sometimes she

530

00:24:28,430 --> 00:24:25,380

would share some of the Nassau things

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00:24:32,270 --> 00:24:28,440

with me and I was totally amazed that

532

00:24:35,149 --> 00:24:32,280

wasn't confidential okay it wasn't

533

00:24:37,250 --> 00:24:35,159

I don't I don't want to get arrested or

534

00:24:40,430 --> 00:24:37,260

anything like that

535

00:24:43,370 --> 00:24:40,440

I was totally she's telling me certain

536

00:24:44,990 --> 00:24:43,380

things and even on the tour today it

537

00:24:48,649 --> 00:24:45,000

reminded me of the things she shared

538

00:24:50,990 --> 00:24:48,659

with me and I I was just like I kind of

539

00:24:53,390 --> 00:24:51,000

like tuned her out because I was so

540

00:24:55,730 --> 00:24:53,400

amazed with what I was seeing I said I

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00:24:57,710 --> 00:24:55,740

said oh my goodness this is amazing and

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00:25:00,830 --> 00:24:57,720

she's like yeah yeah yeah okay we're

543

00:25:03,049 --> 00:25:00,840

used to it and so I used to go up and

544

00:25:05,090 --> 00:25:03,059

spend hours which would make my aunt a

545

00:25:07,130 --> 00:25:05,100

little bit jealous because I was

546

00:25:09,770 --> 00:25:07,140

spending so much time up there I was

547

00:25:10,549 --> 00:25:09,780

learning I was like a sponge with this

548

00:25:14,390 --> 00:25:10,559

stuff

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00:25:17,390 --> 00:25:14,400

uh she had a special cabinet with all of

550

00:25:20,330 --> 00:25:17,400

her slides I mean thousands of slides so

551  
00:25:23,510 --> 00:25:20,340  
I'm hoping that NASA has some of them

552  
00:25:25,190 --> 00:25:23,520  
because I know she would want NASA to

553  
00:25:27,830 --> 00:25:25,200  
have them

554  
00:25:30,289 --> 00:25:27,840  
whenever she got ill

555  
00:25:32,570 --> 00:25:30,299  
call me or there they would call me up

556  
00:25:36,110 --> 00:25:32,580  
and I would go to the hospital

557  
00:25:38,990 --> 00:25:36,120  
and so uh like if she's in the ER or the

558  
00:25:42,470 --> 00:25:39,000  
ICU usually those places are limited to

559  
00:25:44,810 --> 00:25:42,480  
family so I would show up and they would

560  
00:25:47,090 --> 00:25:44,820  
say oh your mom is in cubicle such and

561  
00:25:48,970 --> 00:25:47,100  
so and so and I said well you know I

562  
00:25:51,250 --> 00:25:48,980  
didn't think I looked like Nancy Grace

563  
00:25:54,529 --> 00:25:51,260

but that's okay

564

00:25:58,190 --> 00:25:54,539

she would not she would not correct them

565

00:26:00,169 --> 00:25:58,200

okay and so I remember going into the ER

566

00:26:02,090 --> 00:26:00,179

she for whatever reason they were trying

567

00:26:05,149 --> 00:26:02,100

to get her ready for an MRI she wouldn't

568

00:26:07,370 --> 00:26:05,159

drink the water so I walk in there and

569

00:26:10,130 --> 00:26:07,380

it's close to midnight and the woman

570

00:26:12,890 --> 00:26:10,140

said oh I'm so glad you're here maybe

571

00:26:15,169 --> 00:26:12,900

you can get her to drink some water

572

00:26:17,630 --> 00:26:15,179

and so I grabbed the water and I said

573

00:26:19,190 --> 00:26:17,640

that you know you need this water you

574

00:26:20,690 --> 00:26:19,200

know you need this so that we can go

575

00:26:22,669 --> 00:26:20,700

through you know the next phase of

576

00:26:24,169 --> 00:26:22,679

whatever we're trying to do and she

577

00:26:26,390 --> 00:26:24,179

would drink it I said even if it's just

578

00:26:28,909 --> 00:26:26,400

a little bit at a time so she would

579

00:26:31,070 --> 00:26:28,919

drink it for me so people got to the

580

00:26:33,769 --> 00:26:31,080

point like if you need Nancy Grace to do

581

00:26:36,049 --> 00:26:33,779

something get her daughter she'll

582

00:26:39,649 --> 00:26:36,059

comment and make sure she'll do it

583

00:26:43,850 --> 00:26:39,659

she'll make her do it there was one

584

00:26:46,430 --> 00:26:43,860

thing when we moved her from the ER to

585

00:26:50,690 --> 00:26:46,440

to a bed they found one this was over at

586

00:26:53,390 --> 00:26:50,700

Holy Cross hospital and so I told some

587

00:26:55,310 --> 00:26:53,400

of the nurses about her background and

588

00:26:57,769 --> 00:26:55,320

they said oh really oh and you know I

589

00:27:00,950 --> 00:26:57,779

said well she was a Trailblazer really

590

00:27:03,529 --> 00:27:00,960

for women in The Sciences these nurses

591

00:27:05,750 --> 00:27:03,539

about six to eight of them came into her

592

00:27:08,570 --> 00:27:05,760

room at one in the morning yes I was

593

00:27:11,210 --> 00:27:08,580

still there of course talking and they

594

00:27:13,669 --> 00:27:11,220

surrounded her bed and each one said

595

00:27:16,850 --> 00:27:13,679

Thank you to her for the contributions

596

00:27:19,669 --> 00:27:16,860

she's made and they clapped for her and

597

00:27:21,710 --> 00:27:19,679

you know it was just it was absolutely

598

00:27:24,529 --> 00:27:21,720

wonderful and she just sat there and she

599

00:27:26,029 --> 00:27:24,539

smiled and somebody said something about

600

00:27:29,210 --> 00:27:26,039

well your mother this that and the other

601  
00:27:30,890 --> 00:27:29,220  
she never corrected them she just sat

602  
00:27:33,470 --> 00:27:30,900  
there and said like yeah yeah that's my

603  
00:27:37,730 --> 00:27:33,480  
daughter over there

604  
00:27:41,510 --> 00:27:37,740  
so I've had I mean just a wonderful time

605  
00:27:44,090 --> 00:27:41,520  
with her um I I didn't know her from the

606  
00:27:47,630 --> 00:27:44,100  
science part until we would look at the

607  
00:27:48,310 --> 00:27:47,640  
stuff on NASA I know if she were my

608  
00:27:51,409 --> 00:27:48,320  
mother

609  
00:27:55,010 --> 00:27:51,419  
that I probably would have gone into

610  
00:27:57,110 --> 00:27:55,020  
astronomy because I was so gosh I mean

611  
00:27:59,210 --> 00:27:57,120  
enamored with everything that was going

612  
00:28:03,769 --> 00:27:59,220  
on when I was six years old I actually

613  
00:28:05,930 --> 00:28:03,779

built a model of the universe so at that

614

00:28:08,149 --> 00:28:05,940

time by memory I had done that so even

615

00:28:09,789 --> 00:28:08,159

back then I guess maybe God knew okay

616

00:28:13,810 --> 00:28:09,799

later on you're going to meet somebody

617

00:28:16,570 --> 00:28:13,820

who can help you with that but she was a

618

00:28:20,870 --> 00:28:16,580

resilient she would always bounce back

619

00:28:24,950 --> 00:28:20,880

health-wise and then again a trailblazer

620

00:28:28,549 --> 00:28:24,960

so for me not to say too much or

621

00:28:31,190 --> 00:28:28,559

I could just like I said oh

622

00:28:32,510 --> 00:28:31,200

this is one and I really love this quote

623

00:28:34,730 --> 00:28:32,520

from her

624

00:28:38,390 --> 00:28:34,740

and it says I was told by many people

625

00:28:40,970 --> 00:28:38,400

that a woman could not be an astronomer

626  
00:28:43,909 --> 00:28:40,980  
I'm glad I ignored them and that was out

627  
00:28:47,029 --> 00:28:43,919  
of recognition back in 2016 and I was

628  
00:28:50,390 --> 00:28:47,039  
there so I'm glad that she ignored them

629  
00:28:52,909 --> 00:28:50,400  
I feel very blessed that she was part of

630  
00:28:54,529 --> 00:28:52,919  
my life and I was part of her life and

631  
00:28:56,990 --> 00:28:54,539  
there are many other stories but I'm not

632  
00:29:00,710 --> 00:28:57,000  
going to bore you with them but she was

633  
00:29:03,649 --> 00:29:00,720  
a true Delight sense of humor and so I

634  
00:29:06,169 --> 00:29:03,659  
knew her from a different perspective

635  
00:29:08,450 --> 00:29:06,179  
so that's my talk I don't know if people

636  
00:29:11,200 --> 00:29:08,460  
have questions or just I know our time

637  
00:29:19,970 --> 00:29:11,210  
is limited

638  
00:29:21,710 --> 00:29:19,980

[Applause]

639

00:29:23,210 --> 00:29:21,720

go ahead and keep that on let's take a

640

00:29:24,830 --> 00:29:23,220

let's take some questions we have time

641

00:29:27,350 --> 00:29:24,840

for questions

642

00:29:29,570 --> 00:29:27,360

um and do we have a um is there a mic

643

00:29:32,210 --> 00:29:29,580

that we can pass around

644

00:29:35,090 --> 00:29:32,220

I'll just repeat it is it here you want

645

00:29:44,470 --> 00:29:35,100

to repeat it okay okay I'll just re yeah

646

00:29:50,389 --> 00:29:47,510

no so the question sorry the question

647

00:29:51,889 --> 00:29:50,399

was um did did Nancy Grace Roman ever

648

00:29:53,870 --> 00:29:51,899

have an inkling that a telescope would

649

00:29:55,789 --> 00:29:53,880

be named after her someday to my

650

00:29:57,830 --> 00:29:55,799

knowledge no she never she we only

651

00:29:59,269 --> 00:29:57,840

talked about the Hubble

652

00:30:01,130 --> 00:29:59,279

um and she really didn't like being

653

00:30:04,430 --> 00:30:01,140

called the mother of a Hubble but it got

654

00:30:07,730 --> 00:30:04,440

she got used to it but yeah but yeah

655

00:30:10,010 --> 00:30:07,740

that that was it she would just be golly

656

00:30:11,570 --> 00:30:10,020

I don't know so elated if she knew

657

00:30:13,789 --> 00:30:11,580

something like that maybe she does in

658

00:30:24,610 --> 00:30:13,799

the heavens she knows about it but no

659

00:30:30,649 --> 00:30:27,590

thank you

660

00:30:35,149 --> 00:30:32,870

um so part of you know looking into her

661

00:30:36,889 --> 00:30:35,159

life this this may not be relevant but

662

00:30:38,870 --> 00:30:36,899

I'd see all these pictures of her

663

00:30:42,409 --> 00:30:38,880

wearing pearl necklaces

664

00:30:45,049 --> 00:30:42,419

and so you know in one hand I totally

665

00:30:46,789 --> 00:30:45,059

get I mean she was a force of nature

666

00:30:48,169 --> 00:30:46,799

what she accomplished but I get the

667

00:30:50,570 --> 00:30:48,179

impression she kind of had a kind and

668

00:30:52,510 --> 00:30:50,580

gentle side too I was wondering if you

669

00:30:55,610 --> 00:30:52,520

had more you could say about that

670

00:30:56,450 --> 00:30:55,620

very very much so

671

00:31:00,590 --> 00:30:56,460

um

672

00:31:02,990 --> 00:31:00,600

she again she wanted to establish some

673

00:31:05,149 --> 00:31:03,000

type of fellowship or scholarship for

674

00:31:08,570 --> 00:31:05,159

women in particular not to ignore the

675

00:31:10,070 --> 00:31:08,580

men but for women in particular and then

676

00:31:12,289 --> 00:31:10,080

when we would go to these recognition

677

00:31:14,149 --> 00:31:12,299

programs and the young people were there

678

00:31:16,370 --> 00:31:14,159

in their surrounding her she always took

679

00:31:18,289 --> 00:31:16,380

the time to speak with them we were

680

00:31:21,289 --> 00:31:18,299

literally like the last people to leave

681

00:31:23,350 --> 00:31:21,299

unless she was tired she spoke to

682

00:31:27,830 --> 00:31:23,360

everybody

683

00:31:31,010 --> 00:31:27,840

she poured herself into her work but she

684

00:31:34,370 --> 00:31:31,020

also poured herself into people and I

685

00:31:37,850 --> 00:31:34,380

think I became a recipient later in life

686

00:31:41,029 --> 00:31:37,860

so I went through a period where with my

687

00:31:42,950 --> 00:31:41,039

job and with certain challenges and you

688

00:31:44,870 --> 00:31:42,960

deal with people who may be envious of

689

00:31:47,450 --> 00:31:44,880

your abilities and things things like

690

00:31:49,850 --> 00:31:47,460

that and I'm sure she did as well so she

691

00:31:52,010 --> 00:31:49,860

would share her Pearls of Wisdom with me

692

00:31:54,409 --> 00:31:52,020

well this is what you need to do and we

693

00:31:57,169 --> 00:31:54,419

would speak for hours about that and she

694

00:32:00,070 --> 00:31:57,179

didn't have to do that but she would do

695

00:32:03,470 --> 00:32:00,080

things along those lines so

696

00:32:05,690 --> 00:32:03,480

very giving nature I have her mother's

697

00:32:08,389 --> 00:32:05,700

her mother was a classical pianist and a

698

00:32:10,370 --> 00:32:08,399

piano teacher so she gave me her her

699

00:32:13,010 --> 00:32:10,380

mother's piano books that are like 100

700

00:32:15,350 --> 00:32:13,020

years old she wanted to give me her

701  
00:32:18,669 --> 00:32:15,360  
mother's baby grand it was a Steinway

702  
00:32:23,510 --> 00:32:18,679  
but it wouldn't fit into my uh place

703  
00:32:25,310 --> 00:32:23,520  
which really made her upset but

704  
00:32:26,810 --> 00:32:25,320  
um you know that's how much my aunt

705  
00:32:29,450 --> 00:32:26,820  
would say that's how much she thought of

706  
00:32:31,070 --> 00:32:29,460  
me her mother was also an artist and so

707  
00:32:33,049 --> 00:32:31,080  
I noticed in

708  
00:32:34,850 --> 00:32:33,059  
her other place where she used to live

709  
00:32:39,649 --> 00:32:34,860  
all

710  
00:32:39,659 --> 00:32:42,529  
mother when her mother

711  
00:32:48,470 --> 00:32:44,350  
back in the 90s

712  
00:32:51,130 --> 00:32:48,480  
so she just that kind of person that the

713  
00:32:55,070 --> 00:32:51,140

person who was the aide for her mother

714

00:32:57,409 --> 00:32:55,080

they were friends for years and so she

715

00:32:59,210 --> 00:32:57,419

you know she included that person as

716

00:33:01,909 --> 00:32:59,220

family and that person had children so

717

00:33:04,430 --> 00:33:01,919

she looked at those kids as grandkids

718

00:33:06,950 --> 00:33:04,440

so anything that they needed and she

719

00:33:09,950 --> 00:33:06,960

could help she did it so it wasn't

720

00:33:12,230 --> 00:33:09,960

anything when she had to announce it she

721

00:33:14,509 --> 00:33:12,240

just did it and you can find out or if

722

00:33:17,210 --> 00:33:14,519

you didn't it was okay for her she

723

00:33:20,330 --> 00:33:17,220

wasn't a showy person

724

00:33:22,370 --> 00:33:20,340

so that just wasn't her thing and in

725

00:33:24,409 --> 00:33:22,380

terms of constantly being in the

726

00:33:26,450 --> 00:33:24,419

spotlight she did a lot of traveling

727

00:33:28,190 --> 00:33:26,460

globally and so that's why I was looking

728

00:33:29,149 --> 00:33:28,200

at all these slides I said oh my

729

00:33:31,310 --> 00:33:29,159

goodness

730

00:33:33,769 --> 00:33:31,320

she did talk about the getting the

731

00:33:36,350 --> 00:33:33,779

financing for the Hubble and how she had

732

00:33:39,950 --> 00:33:36,360

to prepare briefing after briefing after

733

00:33:42,289 --> 00:33:39,960

briefing to get enough money for it and

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00:33:44,990 --> 00:33:42,299

she finally was successful in doing it

735

00:33:48,230 --> 00:33:45,000

and she realized it was a team effort as

736

00:33:49,789 --> 00:33:48,240

well it wasn't just Dr Roman so she

737

00:33:51,649 --> 00:33:49,799

always would give credit where credit

738

00:33:57,049 --> 00:33:51,659

was due

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00:34:01,789 --> 00:33:59,509

thank you I really enjoy getting to hear

740

00:34:03,350 --> 00:34:01,799

about all these stories from Nancy Grace

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00:34:05,810 --> 00:34:03,360

Roman and I wonder if you might be able

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00:34:07,190 --> 00:34:05,820

to help me with another story okay of

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00:34:09,770 --> 00:34:07,200

course she's accomplished so much during

744

00:34:11,389 --> 00:34:09,780

her long career ranging from being like

745

00:34:13,430 --> 00:34:11,399

the first scientist to go beyond the

746

00:34:14,810 --> 00:34:13,440

Iron Curtain all the way to founding the

747

00:34:17,089 --> 00:34:14,820

building that we're sitting in right now

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00:34:19,070 --> 00:34:17,099

but based on her Recollections what did

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00:34:20,930 --> 00:34:19,080

she focus on what was what was it that

750

00:34:23,210 --> 00:34:20,940

she really felt she had was most proud

751  
00:34:24,490 --> 00:34:23,220  
of in life

752  
00:34:29,149 --> 00:34:24,500  
um

753  
00:34:31,970 --> 00:34:29,159  
she was very proud of of her parents and

754  
00:34:35,389 --> 00:34:31,980  
especially her both of them so she spoke

755  
00:34:38,329 --> 00:34:35,399  
very highly of them also she was an avid

756  
00:34:41,510 --> 00:34:38,339  
swimmer did you know that she loved to

757  
00:34:44,149 --> 00:34:41,520  
swim and so at the last place where she

758  
00:34:45,409 --> 00:34:44,159  
stayed she did a lot of a lot of that we

759  
00:34:48,849 --> 00:34:45,419  
were concerned to make sure she didn't

760  
00:34:52,970 --> 00:34:48,859  
get catch cold but she was fine

761  
00:34:55,970 --> 00:34:52,980  
I think for her is not just the work not

762  
00:34:57,890 --> 00:34:55,980  
just the telescope but being able to

763  
00:35:01,250 --> 00:34:57,900

pave the way for women

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00:35:03,170 --> 00:35:01,260

uh that was huge for her because she

765

00:35:05,510 --> 00:35:03,180

knew when she was at the University of

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00:35:08,390 --> 00:35:05,520

Chicago that she wasn't going to get

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00:35:09,950 --> 00:35:08,400

tenure and in fact maybe I shouldn't say

768

00:35:13,010 --> 00:35:09,960

this but in fact she said they

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00:35:16,550 --> 00:35:13,020

insinuated that she really needed to go

770

00:35:20,750 --> 00:35:16,560

somewhere settle down and have a family

771

00:35:23,089 --> 00:35:20,760

and so that was how she was treated and

772

00:35:26,510 --> 00:35:23,099

she was wrestling with okay so what do I

773

00:35:28,970 --> 00:35:26,520

do next okay so after she went through

774

00:35:31,790 --> 00:35:28,980

that she really wanted to make sure that

775

00:35:34,490 --> 00:35:31,800

other women behind her would not have

776

00:35:37,130 --> 00:35:34,500

the same experiences so I think that's

777

00:35:39,650 --> 00:35:37,140

part of her Legacy that was her passion

778

00:35:40,550 --> 00:35:39,660

and in her memoirs and all that she's

779

00:35:44,030 --> 00:35:40,560

written

780

00:35:46,370 --> 00:35:44,040

that's Central to it but she's open to

781

00:35:48,410 --> 00:35:46,380

help anybody so it's not just well it

782

00:35:50,150 --> 00:35:48,420

has to only be women or young girls or

783

00:35:53,270 --> 00:35:50,160

whatever

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00:35:55,190 --> 00:35:53,280

thank you I hope I answered it

785

00:35:56,569 --> 00:35:55,200

are there any other questions I don't

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00:35:58,730 --> 00:35:56,579

want to take up your time because I know

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00:36:01,730 --> 00:35:58,740

we have another presenter

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00:36:04,550 --> 00:36:01,740

you have been fabulous this has been

789

00:36:07,069 --> 00:36:04,560

such an honor for me yes sir oh did you

790

00:36:08,710 --> 00:36:07,079

Arthur oh

791

00:36:11,690 --> 00:36:08,720

did you have a question

792

00:36:14,390 --> 00:36:11,700

I wanted to ask if do we have any

793

00:36:17,930 --> 00:36:14,400

questions from our online oh

794

00:36:22,609 --> 00:36:19,670

I don't know what the hand signals mean

795

00:36:23,930 --> 00:36:22,619

oh we'll do that at the end okay okay so

796

00:36:25,730 --> 00:36:23,940

we can take a few questions at the end

797

00:36:34,970 --> 00:36:25,740

from the online community any other

798

00:36:40,370 --> 00:36:36,910

you can tell me if this is a true story

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00:36:42,349 --> 00:36:40,380

I heard that um in her later years Dr

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00:36:44,030 --> 00:36:42,359

Roman used to sit in meetings and knit

801  
00:36:46,069 --> 00:36:44,040  
and she would seem like she wasn't

802  
00:36:46,970 --> 00:36:46,079  
paying attention and then she put down

803  
00:36:49,849 --> 00:36:46,980  
her knitting and say something

804  
00:36:51,890 --> 00:36:49,859  
absolutely astonishing are are you

805  
00:36:54,290 --> 00:36:51,900  
familiar with that story I'm not

806  
00:36:56,210 --> 00:36:54,300  
familiar with that story I think with

807  
00:36:58,849 --> 00:36:56,220  
her hands it was hard for her to do

808  
00:37:01,130 --> 00:36:58,859  
knitting but she was really perceptive I

809  
00:37:02,810 --> 00:37:01,140  
mean you can say something and you

810  
00:37:04,550 --> 00:37:02,820  
really thought she wasn't paying any

811  
00:37:07,130 --> 00:37:04,560  
attention oh she paid attention and

812  
00:37:09,890 --> 00:37:07,140  
could repeat it so we've had that

813  
00:37:12,770 --> 00:37:09,900

experience she also liked to sew so I'd

814

00:37:14,750 --> 00:37:12,780

have to go to her place and thread the

815

00:37:17,450 --> 00:37:14,760

needle for her because of her eyesight

816

00:37:19,790 --> 00:37:17,460

it was hard for her to see it but yet

817

00:37:23,390 --> 00:37:19,800

once you know got everything set up she

818

00:37:26,510 --> 00:37:23,400

can do that but I had heard that today

819

00:37:29,150 --> 00:37:26,520

and I wasn't sure but but I'm sure she

820

00:37:31,730 --> 00:37:29,160

did that in a way well she always had to

821

00:37:34,310 --> 00:37:31,740

be doing something she was always busy

822

00:37:36,829 --> 00:37:34,320

and sometimes when you do things like

823

00:37:39,050 --> 00:37:36,839

that you people think oh she's not

824

00:37:40,490 --> 00:37:39,060

paying any attention we're just going to

825

00:37:42,410 --> 00:37:40,500

say this and we're going to do this and

826

00:37:44,870 --> 00:37:42,420

we're going to do that and then they get

827

00:37:46,609 --> 00:37:44,880

caught because then she can repeat what

828

00:37:48,589 --> 00:37:46,619

you know you know you thought I was very

829

00:37:50,810 --> 00:37:48,599

busy with this I am but I'm hearing

830

00:37:53,270 --> 00:37:50,820

everything

831

00:37:56,089 --> 00:37:53,280

so that probably was true

832

00:37:58,310 --> 00:37:56,099

yeah definitely true knowing her she

833

00:37:59,810 --> 00:37:58,320

just you know it was just like she had

834

00:38:01,430 --> 00:37:59,820

to be on the go

835

00:38:03,890 --> 00:38:01,440

that's why I wanted to give her that

836

00:38:08,569 --> 00:38:03,900

winter coat because I knew she was going

837

00:38:13,310 --> 00:38:11,990

hi so I have a question about the Hubble

838

00:38:14,810 --> 00:38:13,320

Space Telescope so I know there's

839

00:38:17,510 --> 00:38:14,820

obviously a lot of people in this room

840

00:38:19,190 --> 00:38:17,520

that Hubble shape their careers in terms

841

00:38:20,930 --> 00:38:19,200

of astronomy so I was wondering if you

842

00:38:22,970 --> 00:38:20,940

could say anything about whether she

843

00:38:25,010 --> 00:38:22,980

mentioned what was kind of the key to

844

00:38:27,770 --> 00:38:25,020

getting Hubble off the ground for her

845

00:38:30,770 --> 00:38:27,780

personally for her for her the key thing

846

00:38:32,810 --> 00:38:30,780

was funding making sure first of all

847

00:38:35,210 --> 00:38:32,820

making sure she had the right team to

848

00:38:37,010 --> 00:38:35,220

manage and as she said when she joined

849

00:38:39,589 --> 00:38:37,020

NASA you know people thought oh it's

850

00:38:41,030 --> 00:38:39,599

going to be real exciting but it was but

851

00:38:44,270 --> 00:38:41,040

it wasn't like oh you're the first

852

00:38:46,550 --> 00:38:44,280

female and all she got over that but for

853

00:38:48,829 --> 00:38:46,560

her she wanted to be surrounded by

854

00:38:52,190 --> 00:38:48,839

people who were smarter than her

855

00:38:55,550 --> 00:38:52,200

and then who can get the job done in

856

00:39:00,170 --> 00:38:55,560

time in within schedule and within

857

00:39:03,290 --> 00:39:00,180

budget preferably less under budget that

858

00:39:05,210 --> 00:39:03,300

was her thing so for her it was like

859

00:39:06,829 --> 00:39:05,220

again going before and she told me how

860

00:39:09,290 --> 00:39:06,839

often she had to go before Congress or

861

00:39:11,270 --> 00:39:09,300

somebody else had to in order to make

862

00:39:14,089 --> 00:39:11,280

sure they had the appropriate funding

863

00:39:15,589 --> 00:39:14,099

for it but yeah she just said and she

864

00:39:17,089 --> 00:39:15,599

said tell me you want to make sure you

865

00:39:19,069 --> 00:39:17,099

know you're managing people which I have

866

00:39:21,770 --> 00:39:19,079

to get folks who are smarter than you

867

00:39:24,349 --> 00:39:21,780

and they'll make you look good and

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00:39:26,690 --> 00:39:24,359

recognize people even just saying Amir

869

00:39:30,230 --> 00:39:26,700

thank you to somebody is wonderful

870

00:39:33,290 --> 00:39:30,240

versus just you know the other stuff but

871

00:39:40,370 --> 00:39:33,300

but she was very very uh good at doing

872

00:39:45,890 --> 00:39:43,310

any other question

873

00:39:47,810 --> 00:39:45,900

I'm going to be around if that's okay so

874

00:39:50,870 --> 00:39:47,820

if somebody says hey I really wanted to

875

00:39:54,050 --> 00:39:50,880

ask this but not in public okay you had

876

00:39:57,050 --> 00:39:54,060

you had your hands up yet

877

00:40:00,050 --> 00:39:57,060

I said this during the um

878

00:40:02,210 --> 00:40:00,060

the other talks we were having and I

879

00:40:05,810 --> 00:40:02,220

when I first started working here in

880

00:40:08,150 --> 00:40:05,820

July 1985 I there were a few times I sat

881

00:40:11,510 --> 00:40:08,160

next to her in meetings

882

00:40:13,370 --> 00:40:11,520

here not knowing what her role was or

883

00:40:14,450 --> 00:40:13,380

who she was I was just new didn't know

884

00:40:17,150 --> 00:40:14,460

anything

885

00:40:18,530 --> 00:40:17,160

she talked to me very graciously and I

886

00:40:21,290 --> 00:40:18,540

was telling her what I was working on

887

00:40:23,569 --> 00:40:21,300

what part of things and you know she was

888

00:40:27,050 --> 00:40:23,579

asking me other things and she just

889

00:40:29,270 --> 00:40:27,060

struck me as a very gracious nice person

890

00:40:31,670 --> 00:40:29,280

but in the course of

891

00:40:33,290 --> 00:40:31,680

sitting there and listening to other

892

00:40:35,810 --> 00:40:33,300

people and the questions she would ask

893

00:40:38,150 --> 00:40:35,820

people then and things like that it

894

00:40:41,510 --> 00:40:38,160

dawned on me oh this is a really

895

00:40:47,270 --> 00:40:44,150

next to

896

00:40:49,010 --> 00:40:47,280

it so just kind of a you know wander in

897

00:40:50,630 --> 00:40:49,020

sit next to somebody in here in the

898

00:40:53,270 --> 00:40:50,640

auditorium you don't know you're new

899

00:40:58,569 --> 00:40:56,150

well well we did I had to take her my

900

00:41:00,890 --> 00:40:58,579

aunt and other friends

901  
00:41:02,270 --> 00:41:00,900  
from the Independent Living environment

902  
00:41:04,430 --> 00:41:02,280  
to awake

903  
00:41:07,370 --> 00:41:04,440  
and so there were some young men at the

904  
00:41:10,910 --> 00:41:07,380  
wake and as we were leaving I told them

905  
00:41:14,150 --> 00:41:10,920  
I said oh well you know this is Dr Roman

906  
00:41:17,329 --> 00:41:14,160  
she created you know the the Hubble

907  
00:41:21,050 --> 00:41:17,339  
telescope and Nancy Grace was walking

908  
00:41:22,550 --> 00:41:21,060  
away they were running after her running

909  
00:41:26,390 --> 00:41:22,560  
and these were guys probably in their

910  
00:41:28,910 --> 00:41:26,400  
20s they said oh wow oh cool really and

911  
00:41:30,710 --> 00:41:28,920  
I said oh yeah she she did that

912  
00:41:34,250 --> 00:41:30,720  
um and I don't know I just shared that

913  
00:41:36,050 --> 00:41:34,260

in passing and they ran after her they

914

00:41:38,569 --> 00:41:36,060

of course held us up so we couldn't

915

00:41:41,750 --> 00:41:38,579

leave right away because they had

916

00:41:44,810 --> 00:41:41,760

questions of her but that's just you

917

00:41:47,089 --> 00:41:44,820

know who she was so it wasn't like okay

918

00:41:49,310 --> 00:41:47,099

well Joanie we gotta go now you know no

919

00:41:50,030 --> 00:41:49,320

she just she took the time to talk with

920

00:41:53,150 --> 00:41:50,040

them

921

00:41:57,170 --> 00:41:53,160

so there are so many other stories about

922

00:42:00,290 --> 00:41:57,180

her but again I was I was blessed to

923

00:42:02,870 --> 00:42:00,300

have known her she touched my life in

924

00:42:06,109 --> 00:42:02,880

different ways and hopefully I touched

925

00:42:08,510 --> 00:42:06,119

her life in different ways as well even

926  
00:42:11,810 --> 00:42:08,520  
though she didn't take that coat yes I

927  
00:42:15,349 --> 00:42:11,820  
haven't gotten I have not gotten over

928  
00:42:18,609 --> 00:42:15,359  
that in fact I gave the coat to my aunt

929  
00:42:21,050 --> 00:42:18,619  
and I went and got the same coat myself

930  
00:42:22,609 --> 00:42:21,060  
because then I figured I said well maybe

931  
00:42:28,190 --> 00:42:22,619  
she'll look at and say you know that's a

932  
00:42:30,770 --> 00:42:28,200  
nice coat yes it's yours take it so

933  
00:42:33,829 --> 00:42:30,780  
um but anyway I do I I was with her two

934  
00:42:35,870 --> 00:42:33,839  
days before she passed away and I told

935  
00:42:38,870 --> 00:42:35,880  
the nursing staff I said she loves the

936  
00:42:42,050 --> 00:42:38,880  
classics so please play the classic

937  
00:42:44,470 --> 00:42:42,060  
music on the television on one of those

938  
00:42:47,089 --> 00:42:44,480

channels for her and they did

939

00:42:48,770 --> 00:42:47,099

she said that oh I have a taste for

940

00:42:51,829 --> 00:42:48,780

strawberry ice cream I said we'll get it

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00:42:55,190 --> 00:42:51,839

so please give her some strawberry ice

942

00:42:56,870 --> 00:42:55,200

cream and they said well you know you

943

00:42:58,609 --> 00:42:56,880

can spend the night here we'll we'll get

944

00:43:01,130 --> 00:42:58,619

a food time for you and you can spend

945

00:43:03,050 --> 00:43:01,140

the night here I said no I'll come back

946

00:43:05,510 --> 00:43:03,060

and I'll see I'll spend Christmas day

947

00:43:07,490 --> 00:43:05,520

with her well unfortunately that didn't

948

00:43:11,089 --> 00:43:07,500

happen I got the call around two in the

949

00:43:12,950 --> 00:43:11,099

morning that she had gone away so but at

950

00:43:15,410 --> 00:43:12,960

least I was able to spend some time with

951  
00:43:19,309 --> 00:43:15,420  
her and then she knew that she was loved

952  
00:43:22,550 --> 00:43:19,319  
by Family local as well as she has two

953  
00:43:25,130 --> 00:43:22,560  
cousins that she spoke very highly of

954  
00:43:27,950 --> 00:43:25,140  
and then another cousin who was in Texas

955  
00:43:30,170 --> 00:43:27,960  
so she she really said a lot about them

956  
00:43:34,730 --> 00:43:30,180  
but as far as local she didn't have

957  
00:43:35,990 --> 00:43:34,740  
immediate blood family but she had us

958  
00:43:38,510 --> 00:43:36,000  
anyway

959  
00:43:40,490 --> 00:43:38,520  
I'm gonna hang around after if that's

960  
00:43:42,589 --> 00:43:40,500  
okay absolutely I mean if you're if

961  
00:43:45,650 --> 00:43:42,599  
you're doing something confidential I I

962  
00:43:48,770 --> 00:43:45,660  
oh I'm out of here

963  
00:43:51,290 --> 00:43:48,780

but I don't mind staying so if somebody

964

00:43:52,390 --> 00:43:51,300

wants to ask me something afterwards off

965

00:43:56,329 --> 00:43:52,400

record

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00:43:59,780 --> 00:43:56,339

yes let's thank Dr Gordon again

967

00:43:59,790 --> 00:44:06,589

[Applause]

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00:44:13,250 --> 00:44:08,630

I hope I didn't ramble too much no it

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00:44:18,710 --> 00:44:16,370

okay so I have the pleasure of course of

970

00:44:21,890 --> 00:44:18,720

introducing our second speaker who's

971

00:44:23,870 --> 00:44:21,900

standing here next to me so uh Dr Rachel

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00:44:25,250 --> 00:44:23,880

Beaton joined the Roman telescope Branch

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00:44:27,890 --> 00:44:25,260

here at the Space Telescope Science

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00:44:29,750 --> 00:44:27,900

Institute in 2022

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00:44:31,430 --> 00:44:29,760

prior to this she was a Carnegie

976  
00:44:33,770 --> 00:44:31,440  
Princeton fellow and a Hubble fellow at

977  
00:44:35,690 --> 00:44:33,780  
Princeton University and a postdoctoral

978  
00:44:37,970 --> 00:44:35,700  
research associate at the observatories

979  
00:44:42,470 --> 00:44:37,980  
of the Carnegie Institution for Science

980  
00:44:43,849 --> 00:44:42,480  
after receiving her PhD in 2014 from the

981  
00:44:46,010 --> 00:44:43,859  
University of Virginia

982  
00:44:47,870 --> 00:44:46,020  
so Rachel will discuss the Roman Space

983  
00:45:00,650 --> 00:44:47,880  
Telescope Mission and how it will

984  
00:45:04,910 --> 00:45:03,170  
okay cool

985  
00:45:07,250 --> 00:45:04,920  
all right I have to swap the slides

986  
00:45:08,870 --> 00:45:07,260  
really quick

987  
00:45:11,809 --> 00:45:08,880  
um this is actually one of my big jobs

988  
00:45:25,730 --> 00:45:11,819

this week at the conference

989

00:45:29,809 --> 00:45:26,829

awesome

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00:45:32,329 --> 00:45:29,819

and okay

991

00:45:34,910 --> 00:45:32,339

so I'm going to talk about Nancy Grace

992

00:45:38,990 --> 00:45:34,920

Roman uh and

993

00:45:41,270 --> 00:45:39,000

um I'm going to use things that she said

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00:45:43,250 --> 00:45:41,280

um and then use that to introduce the

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00:45:45,290 --> 00:45:43,260

Nancy Grace Roman Space Telescope

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00:45:47,150 --> 00:45:45,300

because I think this mission is

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00:45:50,690 --> 00:45:47,160

particularly emblematic of the person we

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00:45:52,309 --> 00:45:50,700

just had so vividly painted for us for

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00:45:54,950 --> 00:45:52,319

some really specific reasons not just

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00:45:57,050 --> 00:45:54,960

the science but how the mission is going

1001  
00:46:01,190 --> 00:45:57,060  
to work and who the mission will reach

1002  
00:46:05,690 --> 00:46:03,589  
um and I'm glad Joan mentioned what she

1003  
00:46:07,670 --> 00:46:05,700  
did uh because the best books that I

1004  
00:46:10,130 --> 00:46:07,680  
found about Nancy were these two kids

1005  
00:46:12,770 --> 00:46:10,140  
books there's a beautiful Trailblazer

1006  
00:46:14,390 --> 00:46:12,780  
bio about Nancy and then there's also

1007  
00:46:16,370 --> 00:46:14,400  
this really beautifully illustrated book

1008  
00:46:20,150 --> 00:46:16,380  
about Nancy there's not a biography

1009  
00:46:22,970 --> 00:46:20,160  
about her uh so I read uh oral histories

1010  
00:46:25,190 --> 00:46:22,980  
and I read conference documents and

1011  
00:46:26,569 --> 00:46:25,200  
decisions to actually find out what she

1012  
00:46:28,430 --> 00:46:26,579  
thought and the kinds of things she went

1013  
00:46:29,690 --> 00:46:28,440

through so if anyone's listening that

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00:46:33,530 --> 00:46:29,700

wants to write

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00:46:37,910 --> 00:46:33,540

something more adults but not quite a

1016

00:46:40,550 --> 00:46:37,920

committee report about Nancy let's chat

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00:46:41,630 --> 00:46:40,560

because I have about 800 tabs open right

1018

00:46:43,670 --> 00:46:41,640

now

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00:46:45,410 --> 00:46:43,680

um and I'd like to to put them to good

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00:46:46,370 --> 00:46:45,420

use

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00:46:49,309 --> 00:46:46,380

um

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00:46:51,470 --> 00:46:49,319

so one thing that Nancy said uh is she

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00:46:53,270 --> 00:46:51,480

said when NASA was formed one of the men

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00:46:54,770 --> 00:46:53,280

there asked me if I knew anyone who

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00:46:57,770 --> 00:46:54,780

would like to set up a program in space

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00:46:59,150 --> 00:46:57,780

astronomy he didn't ask her he asked her

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00:47:01,790 --> 00:46:59,160

if she knew anyone

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00:47:03,589 --> 00:47:01,800

uh and so she applied so she says and I

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00:47:05,990 --> 00:47:03,599

decided that the idea of influencing

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00:47:07,910 --> 00:47:06,000

astronomy for 50 years was just more

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00:47:08,930 --> 00:47:07,920

than I could resist and so I took the

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00:47:11,210 --> 00:47:08,940

job

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00:47:13,250 --> 00:47:11,220

so at this time Nancy was working at the

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00:47:15,230 --> 00:47:13,260

Naval Research Labs she only worked

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00:47:17,870 --> 00:47:15,240

there for a few years she had moved

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00:47:19,430 --> 00:47:17,880

there from yerky's Observatory at the

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00:47:21,710 --> 00:47:19,440

University of Chicago where she had been

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00:47:24,589 --> 00:47:21,720

teaching after getting her doctorate

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00:47:26,150 --> 00:47:24,599

and after teaching for several years uh

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00:47:27,230 --> 00:47:26,160

you know in the video we heard she

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00:47:30,309 --> 00:47:27,240

didn't feel like she was going to get

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00:47:33,290 --> 00:47:30,319

tenure it wasn't exactly a feeling

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00:47:37,490 --> 00:47:33,300

she actually went to uh Chandra sekar

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00:47:39,109 --> 00:47:37,500

who is a very famous astronomer and she

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00:47:40,910 --> 00:47:39,119

complained about her salary like they

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00:47:43,010 --> 00:47:40,920

mentioned the civil servants didn't

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00:47:45,950 --> 00:47:43,020

consider her salary high enough to count

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00:47:48,109 --> 00:47:45,960

as technical work to get her into a

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00:47:50,630 --> 00:47:48,119

higher level and she complained about it

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00:47:55,069 --> 00:47:50,640

and he said well because you're a woman

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00:47:57,170 --> 00:47:55,079

I can pay you less you're cheaper okay

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00:47:59,450 --> 00:47:57,180

um and so she said fine I don't have to

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00:48:01,490 --> 00:47:59,460

work here anymore and she moved to the

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00:48:02,930 --> 00:48:01,500

naval research lab and so when she said

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00:48:04,970 --> 00:48:02,940

she was she felt like she wasn't going

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00:48:07,190 --> 00:48:04,980

to get tenure it was made very clear she

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00:48:08,870 --> 00:48:07,200

wasn't going to get tenure but she went

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00:48:10,970 --> 00:48:08,880

on I think to do some of the most

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00:48:13,550 --> 00:48:10,980

transformational things that probably

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00:48:15,650 --> 00:48:13,560

could have happened to astronomy as a

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00:48:18,050 --> 00:48:15,660

field

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00:48:20,329 --> 00:48:18,060

um there's a great quote at the end of

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00:48:22,670 --> 00:48:20,339

an article about her it's actually from

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00:48:24,950 --> 00:48:22,680

Twitter uh Twitter's supposed to be

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00:48:26,750 --> 00:48:24,960

backed up some way uh but I don't know

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00:48:29,030 --> 00:48:26,760

Twitter's had a bit of a tumultuous year

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00:48:31,849 --> 00:48:29,040

so I couldn't find some of these old

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00:48:33,710 --> 00:48:31,859

tweets but I really love this

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00:48:36,530 --> 00:48:33,720

um this was in a celebration uh during

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00:48:38,510 --> 00:48:36,540

the renaming uh of this Mission he said

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00:48:40,430 --> 00:48:38,520

Nancy Roman took Chief astronomer job at

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00:48:43,370 --> 00:48:40,440

Nasa because women couldn't get 10 women

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00:48:45,530 --> 00:48:43,380

couldn't get tenure opted to reshape the

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00:48:47,510 --> 00:48:45,540

history of astronomy and said hashtag

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00:48:51,230 --> 00:48:47,520

Plan B

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00:48:53,930 --> 00:48:51,240

um so you know from that kind of defeat

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00:48:56,030 --> 00:48:53,940

uh can come uh some really true

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00:48:59,270 --> 00:48:56,040

greatness

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00:49:01,069 --> 00:48:59,280

so uh one thing that Nancy says

1080

00:49:03,290 --> 00:49:01,079

um is the real way to learn about the

1081

00:49:04,970 --> 00:49:03,300

night sky is to look at it so I recently

1082

00:49:08,630 --> 00:49:04,980

gave a talk about the Roman Mission and

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00:49:10,609 --> 00:49:08,640

about Nancy uh in front of

1084

00:49:13,010 --> 00:49:10,619

um a bunch of kids so I thought this was

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00:49:14,329 --> 00:49:13,020

a really great way to vote to get them

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00:49:16,069 --> 00:49:14,339

thinking about the night sky we're also

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00:49:18,050 --> 00:49:16,079

outside in a national park so we really

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00:49:20,569 --> 00:49:18,060

wanted to think of think up

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00:49:22,849 --> 00:49:20,579

uh but why I wanted to use this quote to

1090

00:49:25,130 --> 00:49:22,859

talk about Roman has to do with its

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00:49:28,069 --> 00:49:25,140

field of view and how that's unique

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00:49:30,230 --> 00:49:28,079

so this is a um a kind of real picture

1093

00:49:32,030 --> 00:49:30,240

so this is a real picture of the Horizon

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00:49:33,470 --> 00:49:32,040

so if you went outside The Horizon's

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00:49:35,809 --> 00:49:33,480

here you can see some light pollution

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00:49:37,790 --> 00:49:35,819

off in the distance and this is a real

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00:49:39,290 --> 00:49:37,800

picture of the Moon that's how big the

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00:49:41,990 --> 00:49:39,300

Moon is on the sky

1099

00:49:44,809 --> 00:49:42,000

and this is actually a UV image of the

1100

00:49:46,670 --> 00:49:44,819

Andromeda galaxy but it's not what you

1101

00:49:50,329 --> 00:49:46,680

would see with your eyes if you could

1102

00:49:52,609 --> 00:49:50,339

see this uh thing with your eyes on the

1103

00:49:55,790 --> 00:49:52,619

sky that's how big the Andromeda galaxy

1104

00:49:59,210 --> 00:49:55,800

is on the sky proper

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00:50:03,050 --> 00:49:59,220

ah which is cool I actually used to

1106

00:50:05,569 --> 00:50:03,060

study it's Halo which goes way out which

1107

00:50:08,710 --> 00:50:05,579

is always a fun thing to show

1108

00:50:11,569 --> 00:50:08,720

so I want to put this picture in context

1109

00:50:13,609 --> 00:50:11,579

with the Roman field of view

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00:50:16,010 --> 00:50:13,619

so this is the same galaxy it's just

1111

00:50:17,569 --> 00:50:16,020

rotated differently I had a different

1112

00:50:19,309 --> 00:50:17,579

view where I actually rotated it but

1113

00:50:21,410 --> 00:50:19,319

this one has words and I thought that

1114

00:50:25,609 --> 00:50:21,420

might be confusing but there's the Moon

1115

00:50:28,150 --> 00:50:25,619

to scale and so the Roman footprint

1116

00:50:31,069 --> 00:50:28,160

is an appreciable part of the night sky

1117

00:50:33,710 --> 00:50:31,079

so one thing that's really hard to talk

1118

00:50:36,349 --> 00:50:33,720

about Hubble with the public is that

1119

00:50:39,050 --> 00:50:36,359

those images are so tiny

1120

00:50:42,410 --> 00:50:39,060

so the Hubble images are about the width

1121

00:50:44,950 --> 00:50:42,420

of my ring at arm's length on the sky

1122

00:50:47,990 --> 00:50:44,960

patch of the sky

1123

00:50:50,210 --> 00:50:48,000

your Roman field of view is about the

1124

00:50:52,130 --> 00:50:50,220

width of your thumb on the night sky

1125

00:50:53,870 --> 00:50:52,140

held at arm's length

1126

00:50:55,970 --> 00:50:53,880

so if we were outside it'd be a lot

1127

00:50:58,010 --> 00:50:55,980

better demonstration but just keep that

1128

00:50:59,809 --> 00:50:58,020

in mind like a Roman pointing is

1129

00:51:01,670 --> 00:50:59,819

something that you can go outside with

1130

00:51:04,130 --> 00:51:01,680

your eyes with the instrument that

1131

00:51:06,290 --> 00:51:04,140

astronomers used are sorry that humans

1132

00:51:08,510 --> 00:51:06,300

have used for what 20 000 years to

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00:51:11,809 --> 00:51:08,520

observe the night sky and and Roman will

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00:51:14,870 --> 00:51:11,819

be looking at something like that

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00:51:18,290 --> 00:51:14,880

uh which is pretty pretty cool

1136

00:51:19,190 --> 00:51:18,300

but uh in getting this huge field of

1137

00:51:21,470 --> 00:51:19,200

view

1138

00:51:24,890 --> 00:51:21,480

uh we're actually not sacrificing the

1139

00:51:27,589 --> 00:51:24,900

detail okay Hubble is amazing it has

1140

00:51:29,630 --> 00:51:27,599

inspired people for 30 years because of

1141

00:51:32,530 --> 00:51:29,640

the detail and the beauty

1142

00:51:34,670 --> 00:51:32,540

so if I swap to actually looking at

1143

00:51:37,910 --> 00:51:34,680

these in the background are real

1144

00:51:40,430 --> 00:51:37,920

observations taken from Hubble

1145

00:51:42,470 --> 00:51:40,440

um but mapped onto the Roman field of

1146

00:51:44,329 --> 00:51:42,480

view to give you a sense we have this

1147

00:51:45,530 --> 00:51:44,339

huge field of view this thumb print at

1148

00:51:47,690 --> 00:51:45,540

arm's length

1149

00:51:49,970 --> 00:51:47,700

but I can zoom in

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00:51:52,730 --> 00:51:49,980

and see with Incredible detail with

1151

00:51:57,349 --> 00:51:52,740

Hubble level detail

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00:52:02,630 --> 00:51:59,630

um and in there is embedded all the

1153

00:52:05,089 --> 00:52:02,640

beautiful astrophysics that gets us from

1154

00:52:07,910 --> 00:52:05,099

the primordial soup at the beginning of

1155

00:52:09,890 --> 00:52:07,920

the universe all the way uh to the life

1156

00:52:12,890 --> 00:52:09,900

here on Earth so we have young Stellar

1157

00:52:15,530 --> 00:52:12,900

associations dust clouds and uh

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00:52:17,329 --> 00:52:15,540

associations of stars so we're not just

1159

00:52:21,470 --> 00:52:17,339

getting this huge field of view we're

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00:52:23,390 --> 00:52:21,480

getting all the detail at the same time

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00:52:25,970 --> 00:52:23,400

now

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00:52:29,510 --> 00:52:25,980

this huge field of view taking one

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00:52:32,750 --> 00:52:29,520

picture gives us an ability to actually

1164

00:52:35,990 --> 00:52:32,760

map huge areas of the sky

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00:52:37,670 --> 00:52:36,000

so if we take everything that Hubble has

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00:52:39,470 --> 00:52:37,680

ever observed on the sky and we put it

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00:52:40,910 --> 00:52:39,480

all together and tried to observe it

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00:52:42,230 --> 00:52:40,920

with Roman which you can't do because

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00:52:43,069 --> 00:52:42,240

it's all over the sky so we put it all

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00:52:47,930 --> 00:52:43,079

together

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00:52:52,370 --> 00:52:50,030

you know but we don't want to brag and

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00:52:54,950 --> 00:52:52,380

make Hubble feel bad because Hubble has

1173

00:52:56,630 --> 00:52:54,960

done some really amazing work so the way

1174

00:52:58,970 --> 00:52:56,640

to think about this and why I wanted to

1175

00:53:01,190 --> 00:52:58,980

start with this the quote to look up is

1176

00:53:03,230 --> 00:53:01,200

that this uh blue hopefully you can see

1177

00:53:05,210 --> 00:53:03,240

it it's this double-lined box is

1178

00:53:09,170 --> 00:53:05,220

actually a footprint that was considered

1179

00:53:11,569 --> 00:53:09,180

for what is called the high latitude

1180

00:53:14,150 --> 00:53:11,579

oh gosh am I going to blank on the name

1181

00:53:16,190 --> 00:53:14,160

of the survey wide area survey thank you

1182

00:53:20,210 --> 00:53:16,200

see teamwork

1183

00:53:22,849 --> 00:53:20,220

um and I've placed it to scale on a plot

1184

00:53:25,370 --> 00:53:22,859

showing you the constellations uh over

1185

00:53:27,470 --> 00:53:25,380

the full sky

1186

00:53:29,510 --> 00:53:27,480

and I've picked out a few in particular

1187

00:53:31,089 --> 00:53:29,520

that are quite important there's the

1188

00:53:34,250 --> 00:53:31,099

summer triangle which is a quite famous

1189

00:53:36,170 --> 00:53:34,260

so were it not raining

1190

00:53:38,650 --> 00:53:36,180

on your way home you could look up and

1191

00:53:42,349 --> 00:53:38,660

see these bright stars on the sky

1192

00:53:44,450 --> 00:53:42,359

Romans survey will cover that whole area

1193

00:53:46,069 --> 00:53:44,460

around it

1194

00:53:49,069 --> 00:53:46,079

so

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00:53:51,290 --> 00:53:49,079

wow and we're going to zoom in

1196

00:53:52,490 --> 00:53:51,300

just like a Hubble image

1197

00:53:55,370 --> 00:53:52,500

okay

1198

00:53:58,190 --> 00:53:55,380

another pretty famous thing is actually

1199

00:53:59,510 --> 00:53:58,200

the winter hexagon so those teachers in

1200

00:54:02,210 --> 00:53:59,520

the room you can actually use this

1201  
00:54:04,010 --> 00:54:02,220  
graphic summer or winter we will map

1202  
00:54:06,710 --> 00:54:04,020  
almost the entirety of the winter

1203  
00:54:08,390 --> 00:54:06,720  
hexagon so we're probably not going to

1204  
00:54:10,790 --> 00:54:08,400  
do this patch of Sky that's being

1205  
00:54:13,609 --> 00:54:10,800  
debated right now what patches guy will

1206  
00:54:14,750 --> 00:54:13,619  
do but that's just a tremendous amount

1207  
00:54:17,990 --> 00:54:14,760  
of sky

1208  
00:54:20,329 --> 00:54:18,000  
and my famous my favorite one is we'll

1209  
00:54:22,730 --> 00:54:20,339  
actually map larger than the area of

1210  
00:54:24,230 --> 00:54:22,740  
Ursa Major which contains the Big Dipper

1211  
00:54:26,630 --> 00:54:24,240  
so that's also something you can go look

1212  
00:54:27,230 --> 00:54:26,640  
at it's actually my earrings

1213  
00:54:29,450 --> 00:54:27,240

um

1214

00:54:32,150 --> 00:54:29,460

that's how big

1215

00:54:33,589 --> 00:54:32,160

the wide area survey is so it's about 2

1216

00:54:35,690 --> 00:54:33,599

000 Square degrees

1217

00:54:38,329 --> 00:54:35,700

and for the astronomers in the room who

1218

00:54:40,490 --> 00:54:38,339

like data this is from Wikipedia the

1219

00:54:42,589 --> 00:54:40,500

actual area of all the constellations

1220

00:54:45,109 --> 00:54:42,599

sorted by area and the largest

1221

00:54:48,950 --> 00:54:45,119

constellation on the sky is about uh

1222

00:54:51,890 --> 00:54:48,960

1300 Square degrees so our wide area

1223

00:54:54,470 --> 00:54:51,900

survey will be larger than any one

1224

00:54:56,510 --> 00:54:54,480

constellation

1225

00:54:58,490 --> 00:54:56,520

cool fact to take home to Mom and Dad

1226

00:55:01,069 --> 00:54:58,500

that's a fun one

1227

00:55:03,950 --> 00:55:01,079

uh it's not only that we have this area

1228

00:55:07,370 --> 00:55:03,960

it's that Roman can actually do things

1229

00:55:10,130 --> 00:55:07,380

very quickly so I did some back of the

1230

00:55:13,970 --> 00:55:10,140

envelope math and to cover this one time

1231

00:55:16,190 --> 00:55:13,980

is about 7 200 pointings

1232

00:55:18,290 --> 00:55:16,200

uh the equivalent with HST would be

1233

00:55:21,170 --> 00:55:18,300

about 660

1234

00:55:22,970 --> 00:55:21,180

000 HST pointings and this is a hundred

1235

00:55:25,790 --> 00:55:22,980

times more area than Hubble has observed

1236

00:55:27,829 --> 00:55:25,800

over 30 years

1237

00:55:29,870 --> 00:55:27,839

um so

1238

00:55:33,109 --> 00:55:29,880

in a couple of years

1239

00:55:35,569 --> 00:55:33,119

you can actually go outside and look up

1240

00:55:37,670 --> 00:55:35,579

and then you can pull out your phone and

1241

00:55:42,049 --> 00:55:37,680

you can zoom in to Hubble level

1242

00:55:47,450 --> 00:55:45,230

um and uh let me give you a real

1243

00:55:50,089 --> 00:55:47,460

simulated data this is a simulation that

1244

00:55:52,370 --> 00:55:50,099

was done by my colleague Sebastian uh

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00:55:55,309 --> 00:55:52,380

here at the science operations center so

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00:55:57,770 --> 00:55:55,319

this is real data uh that's then

1247

00:55:59,750 --> 00:55:57,780

stimulated through a something that

1248

00:56:01,970 --> 00:55:59,760

simulates what Roman's going to do of

1249

00:56:03,349 --> 00:56:01,980

the Hercules star cluster this is a

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00:56:06,770 --> 00:56:03,359

cluster you could go out and observe

1251  
00:56:08,690 --> 00:56:06,780  
with binoculars or a small telescope

1252  
00:56:12,589 --> 00:56:08,700  
um and that is the Hubble image up there

1253  
00:56:15,290 --> 00:56:12,599  
which is just of this tiny little region

1254  
00:56:16,309 --> 00:56:15,300  
um and so we get all of this area at one

1255  
00:56:18,109 --> 00:56:16,319  
go

1256  
00:56:20,450 --> 00:56:18,119  
but to just really drive the point home

1257  
00:56:23,569 --> 00:56:20,460  
I'm going to zoom in on that one chip

1258  
00:56:25,430 --> 00:56:23,579  
and we get all of this beautiful detail

1259  
00:56:26,510 --> 00:56:25,440  
as well

1260  
00:56:29,569 --> 00:56:26,520  
so

1261  
00:56:31,730 --> 00:56:29,579  
fun times ahead

1262  
00:56:34,010 --> 00:56:31,740  
the other thing to keep in mind is that

1263  
00:56:36,470 --> 00:56:34,020

I'm talking a lot about things in the

1264

00:56:39,589 --> 00:56:36,480

nearby Universe constellations star

1265

00:56:41,990 --> 00:56:39,599

clusters and this huge area

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00:56:43,970 --> 00:56:42,000

but actually as we look further and

1267

00:56:46,549 --> 00:56:43,980

further away we're looking back in time

1268

00:56:48,650 --> 00:56:46,559

and this large area to Us nearby

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00:56:50,210 --> 00:56:48,660

actually gets bigger and bigger and

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00:56:50,930 --> 00:56:50,220

bigger as we look further and further

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00:56:53,030 --> 00:56:50,940

back

1272

00:56:56,150 --> 00:56:53,040

so not only do we observe what's nearby

1273

00:56:58,670 --> 00:56:56,160

could we observe the Big Dipper we

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00:57:00,049 --> 00:56:58,680

actually look all the way back and in

1275

00:57:04,250 --> 00:57:00,059

our deep surveys

1276  
00:57:06,530 --> 00:57:04,260  
and get these huge areas of the sky in

1277  
00:57:08,990 --> 00:57:06,540  
older times and that is going to be

1278  
00:57:10,849 --> 00:57:09,000  
tremendous for doing cosmology for

1279  
00:57:12,829 --> 00:57:10,859  
studying the evolution of the universe

1280  
00:57:15,290 --> 00:57:12,839  
at these large scales

1281  
00:57:18,470 --> 00:57:15,300  
so on the largest scales the universe is

1282  
00:57:21,470 --> 00:57:18,480  
very homogeneous it's boring

1283  
00:57:23,349 --> 00:57:21,480  
um but you can get unlucky and study a

1284  
00:57:26,329 --> 00:57:23,359  
patch that is more or less interesting

1285  
00:57:29,150 --> 00:57:26,339  
so this survey is going to give us these

1286  
00:57:31,190 --> 00:57:29,160  
huge areas where we can average over and

1287  
00:57:32,630 --> 00:57:31,200  
get a really good understanding of

1288  
00:57:35,390 --> 00:57:32,640

what's going on

1289

00:57:37,870 --> 00:57:35,400

uh in our writer's Workshop that we had

1290

00:57:40,130 --> 00:57:37,880

as part of this conference someone

1291

00:57:41,450 --> 00:57:40,140

compared it to taking little tiny

1292

00:57:44,150 --> 00:57:41,460

snapshots

1293

00:57:46,010 --> 00:57:44,160

of of a scene and looking at them

1294

00:57:47,510 --> 00:57:46,020

individually versus seeing the whole

1295

00:57:49,130 --> 00:57:47,520

scene at one time we're going to start

1296

00:57:51,410 --> 00:57:49,140

getting the whole scene

1297

00:57:53,990 --> 00:57:51,420

we have a different survey that's not

1298

00:57:56,809 --> 00:57:54,000

going to cover a huge area it's going to

1299

00:57:58,790 --> 00:57:56,819

go to the same area and view it many

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00:58:01,370 --> 00:57:58,800

many times over the course of the

1301

00:58:04,190 --> 00:58:01,380

mission to see what changes

1302

00:58:07,790 --> 00:58:04,200

and some of those things that change are

1303

00:58:10,490 --> 00:58:07,800

called supernovae uh and supernovae uh

1304

00:58:12,049 --> 00:58:10,500

are cool because they're so bright

1305

00:58:13,309 --> 00:58:12,059

they're brighter than an individual

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00:58:15,950 --> 00:58:13,319

Galaxy

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00:58:18,170 --> 00:58:15,960

that we can observe them so individuals

1308

00:58:20,089 --> 00:58:18,180

their individual stars or maybe binaries

1309

00:58:22,309 --> 00:58:20,099

depends on who you talk to that are

1310

00:58:24,290 --> 00:58:22,319

exploding but we can see them all the

1311

00:58:25,849 --> 00:58:24,300

way back to half the age of the universe

1312

00:58:27,650 --> 00:58:25,859

already

1313

00:58:30,230 --> 00:58:27,660

and we might be able to see them further

1314

00:58:31,970 --> 00:58:30,240

people are working on it

1315

00:58:33,950 --> 00:58:31,980

um and that's incredible because these

1316

00:58:35,750 --> 00:58:33,960

things are standard candles which means

1317

00:58:37,670 --> 00:58:35,760

we know how bright they should be their

1318

00:58:38,930 --> 00:58:37,680

standards so we actually can measure

1319

00:58:41,150 --> 00:58:38,940

distances

1320

00:58:42,289 --> 00:58:41,160

all the way out to half the age of the

1321

00:58:44,630 --> 00:58:42,299

universe

1322

00:58:47,030 --> 00:58:44,640

and measure How the Universe changes

1323

00:58:48,349 --> 00:58:47,040

in a very simple form there's people

1324

00:58:51,289 --> 00:58:48,359

here at this conference that could tell

1325

00:58:53,210 --> 00:58:51,299

you all the details but that is for

1326

00:58:55,849 --> 00:58:53,220

another day

1327

00:59:01,789 --> 00:58:58,250

um another thing I wanted to talk about

1328

00:59:05,270 --> 00:59:01,799

with Nancy is she has this quote that

1329

00:59:08,270 --> 00:59:05,280

was used to try and convince people to

1330

00:59:10,069 --> 00:59:08,280

do a Space Telescope and she says

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00:59:13,130 --> 00:59:10,079

looking at stars through the atmosphere

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00:59:15,289 --> 00:59:13,140

is not too different from looking at

1333

00:59:16,670 --> 00:59:15,299

street lights through a plane of old

1334

00:59:19,250 --> 00:59:16,680

stained glass

1335

00:59:22,309 --> 00:59:19,260

so just imagine that in your head

1336

00:59:24,589 --> 00:59:22,319

so the atmosphere

1337

00:59:26,870 --> 00:59:24,599

is like a thousand little lenses bending

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00:59:29,210 --> 00:59:26,880

and moving around and it causes the

1339

00:59:32,569 --> 00:59:29,220

image that's made on the telescope plane

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00:59:35,630 --> 00:59:32,579

to bounce around and get blurred

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00:59:37,609 --> 00:59:35,640

and this is why we do space astronomy

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00:59:41,089 --> 00:59:37,619

because we're going to put our telescope

1343

00:59:44,150 --> 00:59:41,099

above the atmosphere and just skip that

1344

00:59:48,710 --> 00:59:46,309

um so when she started talking about the

1345

00:59:52,430 --> 00:59:48,720

idea of a Space Telescope believe it or

1346

00:59:55,730 --> 00:59:52,440

not most astronomers were like no

1347

00:59:57,770 --> 00:59:55,740

no not for me not what I wanted so a

1348

01:00:00,589 --> 00:59:57,780

tremendous amount of her work was

1349

01:00:02,270 --> 01:00:00,599

convincing the community that they did

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01:00:05,390 --> 01:00:02,280

want this

1351

01:00:07,849 --> 01:00:05,400

the engineers got so excited and this

1352

01:00:10,430 --> 01:00:07,859

flashed through uh in that talk and it

1353

01:00:13,010 --> 01:00:10,440

took me forever to find an actual copy

1354

01:00:15,049 --> 01:00:13,020

of it Splash through in the video the

1355

01:00:16,789 --> 01:00:15,059

engineers thought this was rad they're

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01:00:19,130 --> 01:00:16,799

like this is cool so we're gonna build

1357

01:00:21,710 --> 01:00:19,140

this telescope and then we're gonna have

1358

01:00:23,809 --> 01:00:21,720

this camera back here and this astronaut

1359

01:00:26,990 --> 01:00:23,819

will go up and they'll so that thing in

1360

01:00:29,089 --> 01:00:27,000

his hand is a canister of film that

1361

01:00:31,250 --> 01:00:29,099

he'll change and then he'll take it back

1362

01:00:33,950 --> 01:00:31,260

down to earth and we'll have all these

1363

01:00:36,650 --> 01:00:33,960

pictures of space and it'll be great and

1364

01:00:38,870 --> 01:00:36,660

Nancy much to her credit was just kind

1365

01:00:42,890 --> 01:00:38,880

of like

1366

01:00:46,800 --> 01:00:44,930

that's a concept

1367

01:00:49,730 --> 01:00:46,810

um I see you made drawings

1368

01:00:51,410 --> 01:00:49,740

[Laughter]

1369

01:00:55,010 --> 01:00:51,420

um much to her credit she then

1370

01:00:57,829 --> 01:00:55,020

negotiated it was a yes but conversation

1371

01:01:00,109 --> 01:00:57,839

and uh there's a quote of hers where she

1372

01:01:03,010 --> 01:01:00,119

says I didn't know how to tell them

1373

01:01:05,450 --> 01:01:03,020

we hadn't been using film in that way

1374

01:01:07,609 --> 01:01:05,460

for decades

1375

01:01:09,470 --> 01:01:07,619

um but you have to remember it's 1969

1376

01:01:12,710 --> 01:01:09,480

and what's going on then it's it's

1377

01:01:15,530 --> 01:01:12,720

putting crude space missions putting

1378

01:01:17,030 --> 01:01:15,540

orbital science platforms into space so

1379

01:01:22,069 --> 01:01:17,040

they were they were running with the

1380

01:01:25,789 --> 01:01:22,079

theme and they ran a little too far uh

1381

01:01:28,069 --> 01:01:25,799

um but this actually gets a lot to the

1382

01:01:29,690 --> 01:01:28,079

technology that you needed to have a

1383

01:01:31,309 --> 01:01:29,700

space mission so I talked about the

1384

01:01:33,289 --> 01:01:31,319

atmosphere and how that adds all this

1385

01:01:35,150 --> 01:01:33,299

blurring and that means that we don't

1386

01:01:37,730 --> 01:01:35,160

actually get to the physical Optical

1387

01:01:39,470 --> 01:01:37,740

limit of what a telescope can do it's

1388

01:01:42,410 --> 01:01:39,480

not until you get above the atmosphere

1389

01:01:44,510 --> 01:01:42,420

so having a human there meant you could

1390

01:01:46,370 --> 01:01:44,520

only go so far up because you needed to

1391

01:01:49,370 --> 01:01:46,380

go back and forth to take the film to

1392

01:01:51,289 --> 01:01:49,380

CVS and get it processed

1393

01:01:56,089 --> 01:01:51,299

um

1394

01:01:58,490 --> 01:01:56,099

breathable atmosphere in the back and

1395

01:02:01,970 --> 01:01:58,500

all through and you had that heat that

1396

01:02:04,010 --> 01:02:01,980

extra heat of the humans and of the taxi

1397

01:02:05,450 --> 01:02:04,020

the Uber taking him back and forth I

1398

01:02:07,250 --> 01:02:05,460

don't know

1399

01:02:10,190 --> 01:02:07,260

um there's lots of reasons why this is

1400

01:02:12,950 --> 01:02:10,200

not actually a step forward for getting

1401

01:02:16,130 --> 01:02:12,960

to that physical resolution that

1402

01:02:19,910 --> 01:02:16,140

beautiful beautiful resolution

1403

01:02:22,190 --> 01:02:19,920

um there was also a long debate about

1404

01:02:24,170 --> 01:02:22,200

the camera that would go back there

1405

01:02:26,089 --> 01:02:24,180

because you want it to be not film

1406

01:02:27,470 --> 01:02:26,099

obviously but you want it to be a

1407

01:02:28,549 --> 01:02:27,480

digital camera

1408

01:02:31,309 --> 01:02:28,559

um and I'll talk about or something

1409

01:02:35,390 --> 01:02:31,319

digital and that technology wasn't in

1410

01:02:37,730 --> 01:02:35,400

place in 1969 either so there's a lot of

1411

01:02:38,930 --> 01:02:37,740

talk about how Nancy slowed this process

1412

01:02:40,430 --> 01:02:38,940

because she didn't feel like the

1413

01:02:43,730 --> 01:02:40,440

technology was ready

1414

01:02:45,230 --> 01:02:43,740

but the technology wasn't ready right I

1415

01:02:47,630 --> 01:02:45,240

mean this was the concept of the

1416

01:02:50,870 --> 01:02:47,640

technology at the time

1417

01:02:53,329 --> 01:02:50,880

so today with the Roman Mission uh we're

1418

01:02:56,450 --> 01:02:53,339

even getting beyond the Earth so this is

1419

01:02:59,030 --> 01:02:56,460

a map uh and this line here the sort of

1420

01:03:00,589 --> 01:02:59,040

dark kind of cyanide line is a

1421

01:03:03,230 --> 01:03:00,599

representation of the Earth's orbit

1422

01:03:04,549 --> 01:03:03,240

around the sun that's at the center and

1423

01:03:06,230 --> 01:03:04,559

what you're seeing here is a

1424

01:03:09,829 --> 01:03:06,240

representation of the gravitational

1425

01:03:11,390 --> 01:03:09,839

field that's much like a contour map so

1426

01:03:13,250 --> 01:03:11,400

where there's more lines together you're

1427

01:03:16,549 --> 01:03:13,260

stronger and where there's fewer lines

1428

01:03:18,650 --> 01:03:16,559

it's weaker in this visualization

1429

01:03:20,270 --> 01:03:18,660

so the Hubble Space Telescope actually

1430

01:03:22,069 --> 01:03:20,280

orbits the earth

1431

01:03:24,049 --> 01:03:22,079

and what happens if you orbit the earth

1432

01:03:27,049 --> 01:03:24,059

you spend half the time on the back side

1433

01:03:28,250 --> 01:03:27,059

and half the time on the front side and

1434

01:03:29,809 --> 01:03:28,260

what that means when you're on the back

1435

01:03:31,970 --> 01:03:29,819

side is you're shielded from the sun's

1436

01:03:33,109 --> 01:03:31,980

radiation and you can be quite cool but

1437

01:03:34,910 --> 01:03:33,119

when you're on the front side you're

1438

01:03:37,670 --> 01:03:34,920

getting heating up heated up by the sun

1439

01:03:39,109 --> 01:03:37,680

now if we don't want an astronomer

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01:03:40,670 --> 01:03:39,119

sitting in our telescope we probably

1441

01:03:43,130 --> 01:03:40,680

don't want the sun heating up our

1442

01:03:44,510 --> 01:03:43,140

telescope so and and part of my science

1443

01:03:47,030 --> 01:03:44,520

life I measure something called the

1444

01:03:49,789 --> 01:03:47,040

Hubble constant and in my data I can see

1445

01:03:52,309 --> 01:03:49,799

the effect of heating up that telescope

1446

01:03:54,289 --> 01:03:52,319

and warm things expand and stretch out

1447

01:03:56,510 --> 01:03:54,299

and cool things cool back down and I

1448

01:03:57,650 --> 01:03:56,520

have to take that effect out to do my

1449

01:04:00,170 --> 01:03:57,660

science

1450

01:04:02,390 --> 01:04:00,180

so where we're putting telescopes now

1451  
01:04:05,630 --> 01:04:02,400  
especially infrared sensitive telescopes

1452  
01:04:07,130 --> 01:04:05,640  
is out here at a point called L2 these

1453  
01:04:08,930 --> 01:04:07,140  
are called LaGrange points because you

1454  
01:04:10,130 --> 01:04:08,940  
solve the LaGrange equations and you get

1455  
01:04:12,890 --> 01:04:10,140  
these Five Points where you could

1456  
01:04:15,230 --> 01:04:12,900  
potentially send something to orbit uh

1457  
01:04:17,150 --> 01:04:15,240  
this is where James Webb is this is

1458  
01:04:18,410 --> 01:04:17,160  
where a satellite called Gaia is and

1459  
01:04:19,970 --> 01:04:18,420  
this is where we're going to put Roman

1460  
01:04:21,950 --> 01:04:19,980  
so we're getting far away from the earth

1461  
01:04:24,589 --> 01:04:21,960  
we're almost always going to in these

1462  
01:04:27,410 --> 01:04:24,599  
these uh points rotate oh sorry orbit

1463  
01:04:28,730 --> 01:04:27,420

with the Earth uh so you'll always be in

1464

01:04:30,589 --> 01:04:28,740

the shadow and that gives us much more

1465

01:04:32,510 --> 01:04:30,599

time to use this telescope it makes it

1466

01:04:34,430 --> 01:04:32,520

much more efficient and it's going to be

1467

01:04:36,230 --> 01:04:34,440

temperature controlled and that gives us

1468

01:04:37,849 --> 01:04:36,240

pointing stability that gives us

1469

01:04:39,049 --> 01:04:37,859

stability of the images that we're

1470

01:04:41,930 --> 01:04:39,059

making

1471

01:04:44,390 --> 01:04:41,940

um and it's fantastic it also means

1472

01:04:46,370 --> 01:04:44,400

that on occasion

1473

01:04:48,530 --> 01:04:46,380

uh we'll get some pictures of James Webb

1474

01:04:50,870 --> 01:04:48,540

maybe

1475

01:04:53,210 --> 01:04:50,880

um there's a

1476

01:04:55,370 --> 01:04:53,220

there's a fun uh there's a fun game that

1477

01:04:57,230 --> 01:04:55,380

you have to play with with web data and

1478

01:04:59,390 --> 01:04:57,240

with some other projects where you're

1479

01:05:01,910 --> 01:04:59,400

like taking out people have rediscovered

1480

01:05:03,770 --> 01:05:01,920

these telescopes out at L2 many many

1481

01:05:06,530 --> 01:05:03,780

many

1482

01:05:09,170 --> 01:05:06,540

um so that will also be fun so we're

1483

01:05:10,849 --> 01:05:09,180

taking this concept a whole new level uh

1484

01:05:13,250 --> 01:05:10,859

getting as far away as possible making

1485

01:05:15,829 --> 01:05:13,260

this telescope as stable as possible to

1486

01:05:18,950 --> 01:05:15,839

do that tremendous science

1487

01:05:20,569 --> 01:05:18,960

uh this Mission actually ends up being

1488

01:05:23,329 --> 01:05:20,579

um less expensive than it could be

1489

01:05:25,549 --> 01:05:23,339

because we're actually using a leftover

1490

01:05:27,710 --> 01:05:25,559

telescope that came from the national

1491

01:05:29,930 --> 01:05:27,720

reconnaissance office

1492

01:05:31,750 --> 01:05:29,940

and I'll leave the context clues about

1493

01:05:35,390 --> 01:05:31,760

what the national reconnaissance office

1494

01:05:37,670 --> 01:05:35,400

does this telescope used to point down

1495

01:05:40,069 --> 01:05:37,680

instead of out

1496

01:05:42,410 --> 01:05:40,079

um so we got this Frame uh and we're

1497

01:05:43,609 --> 01:05:42,420

able to use it they actually took the

1498

01:05:46,670 --> 01:05:43,619

mirror that was in the telescope

1499

01:05:49,490 --> 01:05:46,680

refurbished it polished it uh fixed its

1500

01:05:52,130 --> 01:05:49,500

surface to an extreme degree and we're

1501  
01:05:54,349 --> 01:05:52,140  
adding Cutting Edge technology to this

1502  
01:05:55,609 --> 01:05:54,359  
telescope to make let it do this amazing

1503  
01:05:57,430 --> 01:05:55,619  
science

1504  
01:06:00,349 --> 01:05:57,440  
and one of the things that we're doing

1505  
01:06:02,990 --> 01:06:00,359  
is we're making

1506  
01:06:05,990 --> 01:06:03,000  
a camera that I just don't even know how

1507  
01:06:08,089 --> 01:06:06,000  
to explain how awesome this camera is we

1508  
01:06:10,250 --> 01:06:08,099  
all walk around with a detector right

1509  
01:06:13,010 --> 01:06:10,260  
now in our phone several of them

1510  
01:06:15,829 --> 01:06:13,020  
and that detector is there

1511  
01:06:20,089 --> 01:06:15,839  
it's like your cell phone camera

1512  
01:06:22,309 --> 01:06:20,099  
this is one of the 18 detectors going

1513  
01:06:24,470 --> 01:06:22,319

into Roman it's about the size of a

1514

01:06:26,150 --> 01:06:24,480

Saltine cracker the folks in the

1515

01:06:29,569 --> 01:06:26,160

communications at Goddard told me that

1516

01:06:32,450 --> 01:06:29,579

was the official term it's a lowercase s

1517

01:06:33,230 --> 01:06:32,460

because we don't have the trademark

1518

01:06:35,569 --> 01:06:33,240

um

1519

01:06:38,690 --> 01:06:35,579

that is a Saltine cracker and this is

1520

01:06:41,270 --> 01:06:38,700

Greg one of the engineers uh astronomer

1521

01:06:43,670 --> 01:06:41,280

Engineers who works on it just to get a

1522

01:06:47,089 --> 01:06:43,680

sense for the scale this thing

1523

01:06:49,730 --> 01:06:47,099

and each one is about 12 megapixels and

1524

01:06:51,230 --> 01:06:49,740

I this is based on ground data but each

1525

01:06:53,450 --> 01:06:51,240

Raw

1526

01:06:54,589 --> 01:06:53,460

set of reads that we get which I'm not

1527

01:06:59,870 --> 01:06:54,599

going to explain exactly what I mean by

1528

01:07:06,289 --> 01:07:02,390

um when we put all 18 together

1529

01:07:08,329 --> 01:07:06,299

uh you get a detector array that you

1530

01:07:11,270 --> 01:07:08,339

know is like

1531

01:07:12,770 --> 01:07:11,280

something you can see and have left so

1532

01:07:14,630 --> 01:07:12,780

that's a real person in their head and

1533

01:07:17,329 --> 01:07:14,640

their hand to get a sense for that scale

1534

01:07:22,970 --> 01:07:17,339

it's kind of unreal this detector it is

1535

01:07:26,089 --> 01:07:22,980

302 megapixels each uh image is about 40

1536

01:07:27,770 --> 01:07:26,099

gigabytes coming off raw we astronomers

1537

01:07:29,690 --> 01:07:27,780

called data processing reducing because

1538

01:07:31,910 --> 01:07:29,700

we actually reduce that total volume

1539

01:07:34,430 --> 01:07:31,920

down quite a bit as we process the raw

1540

01:07:36,470 --> 01:07:34,440

data but that's just a sense of the

1541

01:07:38,690 --> 01:07:36,480

technology that we have for this Mission

1542

01:07:44,329 --> 01:07:38,700

and what is giving us the power to map

1543

01:07:49,690 --> 01:07:46,970

um this is a quote from Nancy after she

1544

01:07:53,029 --> 01:07:49,700

retired from NASA she retired in about

1545

01:07:55,609 --> 01:07:53,039

1979. she hand-picked her successor who

1546

01:07:58,010 --> 01:07:55,619

called himself the first male head of

1547

01:08:01,190 --> 01:07:58,020

NASA astrophysics he's the one that

1548

01:08:04,309 --> 01:08:01,200

really coined that term mother of Hubble

1549

01:08:06,770 --> 01:08:04,319

she retired to take care of her mother

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01:08:09,589 --> 01:08:06,780

um and after a few years she decided she

1551  
01:08:12,710 --> 01:08:09,599  
wanted to work part-time so she went to

1552  
01:08:14,630 --> 01:08:12,720  
the Goddard astronomical Data Center

1553  
01:08:17,090 --> 01:08:14,640  
and she sat down and I hope the visual

1554  
01:08:19,309 --> 01:08:17,100  
the the whole story we just had about

1555  
01:08:21,950 --> 01:08:19,319  
Nancy you can just see this conversation

1556  
01:08:25,550 --> 01:08:21,960  
she said look

1557  
01:08:28,130 --> 01:08:25,560  
I know astronomical catalogs

1558  
01:08:31,130 --> 01:08:28,140  
if you'll teach me computers

1559  
01:08:32,930 --> 01:08:31,140  
I'd like to work for you so she did

1560  
01:08:35,689 --> 01:08:32,940  
astronomy on these measuring devices

1561  
01:08:39,110 --> 01:08:35,699  
with pen and paper calculated on a hand

1562  
01:08:41,510 --> 01:08:39,120  
calculator then was an administrator

1563  
01:08:42,910 --> 01:08:41,520

so she had to learn how to use computers

1564

01:08:45,829 --> 01:08:42,920

how to use

1565

01:08:47,689 --> 01:08:45,839

that kind of data to work there she was

1566

01:08:49,309 --> 01:08:47,699

hired at Goddard at the astronomical

1567

01:08:50,689 --> 01:08:49,319

data center in a few years she was

1568

01:08:52,910 --> 01:08:50,699

actually the director

1569

01:08:55,729 --> 01:08:52,920

of that Center and she worked part-time

1570

01:08:57,410 --> 01:08:55,739

and telecommuted this was in the 80s she

1571

01:08:59,030 --> 01:08:57,420

telecommuted so she could take care of

1572

01:09:00,530 --> 01:08:59,040

her mother and there's a whole section

1573

01:09:02,329 --> 01:09:00,540

about how she's like I kind of invented

1574

01:09:04,370 --> 01:09:02,339

it I feel like she might have forced it

1575

01:09:06,650 --> 01:09:04,380

but anyway she like invented the concept

1576

01:09:08,450 --> 01:09:06,660

and over time more and more people

1577

01:09:10,669 --> 01:09:08,460

actually wanted to telecommute so coming

1578

01:09:13,430 --> 01:09:10,679

out of kovid and as we're all adapting

1579

01:09:16,430 --> 01:09:13,440

to working hybrid just like Nancy was

1580

01:09:19,010 --> 01:09:16,440

doing this in 1980 so

1581

01:09:20,630 --> 01:09:19,020

we can do it too

1582

01:09:23,090 --> 01:09:20,640

um so the thing

1583

01:09:24,530 --> 01:09:23,100

I I want to say is I've just talked to

1584

01:09:28,189 --> 01:09:24,540

you about all that data the 300

1585

01:09:30,130 --> 01:09:28,199

megapixels the 40 gigabyte files we have

1586

01:09:32,809 --> 01:09:30,140

to learn as a community

1587

01:09:34,789 --> 01:09:32,819

how to use this data and it's a

1588

01:09:36,650 --> 01:09:34,799

different context I can't download that

1589

01:09:39,229 --> 01:09:36,660

to my computer and do my analysis I have

1590

01:09:42,289 --> 01:09:39,239

to learn to do things in a new way

1591

01:09:44,090 --> 01:09:42,299

and let's put this into context this is

1592

01:09:45,470 --> 01:09:44,100

the data sent to Earth

1593

01:09:51,289 --> 01:09:45,480

per day

1594

01:09:53,870 --> 01:09:51,299

need quite the Hefty cellular data plan

1595

01:09:58,130 --> 01:09:53,880

but it's not out of context

1596

01:10:01,669 --> 01:09:58,140

right jwst 58 gigabytes per day it's

1597

01:10:04,689 --> 01:10:01,679

pretty heavy data data plan Romans is

1598

01:10:10,669 --> 01:10:04,699

going to send 1.4

1599

01:10:15,590 --> 01:10:12,709

um that's that's a lot

1600

01:10:17,689 --> 01:10:15,600

uh when I say sending the data back to

1601  
01:10:19,790 --> 01:10:17,699  
Earth what I mean is on the spacecraft

1602  
01:10:23,030 --> 01:10:19,800  
the data are prepared

1603  
01:10:25,070 --> 01:10:23,040  
um in in staged and then they're sent to

1604  
01:10:29,030 --> 01:10:25,080  
the deep space Network which are these

1605  
01:10:31,669 --> 01:10:29,040  
huge radio dishes across the world uh

1606  
01:10:33,950 --> 01:10:31,679  
where these dishes receive that data and

1607  
01:10:36,770 --> 01:10:33,960  
transfer it here or will transfer here

1608  
01:10:39,590 --> 01:10:36,780  
to Space Telescope for processing

1609  
01:10:41,209 --> 01:10:39,600  
cool cool fact you can actually go

1610  
01:10:43,850 --> 01:10:41,219  
online and see what the deep space

1611  
01:10:46,490 --> 01:10:43,860  
network is doing at any given time and

1612  
01:10:50,750 --> 01:10:46,500  
they're going to get so busy uh when we

1613  
01:10:54,770 --> 01:10:52,910

cool well what does that mean integrated

1614

01:10:58,250 --> 01:10:54,780

over time

1615

01:11:02,209 --> 01:10:58,260

all of the HST data taken for 30 years

1616

01:11:05,750 --> 01:11:02,219

is about 172 terabytes you could

1617

01:11:08,990 --> 01:11:05,760

probably like go to some sales online

1618

01:11:11,630 --> 01:11:09,000

and get yourself 172 terabytes of disk

1619

01:11:13,490 --> 01:11:11,640

space even as a single human being with

1620

01:11:14,750 --> 01:11:13,500

spare time and disposable income

1621

01:11:16,070 --> 01:11:14,760

but

1622

01:11:18,350 --> 01:11:16,080

um

1623

01:11:20,570 --> 01:11:18,360

when we think about the jwst five-year

1624

01:11:23,209 --> 01:11:20,580

Mission we're talking about one petabyte

1625

01:11:26,510 --> 01:11:23,219

a thousand terabytes that's sort of out

1626  
01:11:27,890 --> 01:11:26,520  
of scale for even a small astronomical

1627  
01:11:29,450 --> 01:11:27,900  
department is definitely out of scale

1628  
01:11:31,030 --> 01:11:29,460  
from an individual or an individual

1629  
01:11:33,530 --> 01:11:31,040  
research group

1630  
01:11:39,189 --> 01:11:33,540  
Roman's five-year Mission will produce

1631  
01:11:41,990 --> 01:11:39,199  
20 000 terabytes 20 petabytes of data

1632  
01:11:45,410 --> 01:11:42,000  
that is not data that everyone is going

1633  
01:11:47,450 --> 01:11:45,420  
to look at so for HST and jwst a human

1634  
01:11:48,470 --> 01:11:47,460  
looks at every image to make sure it's

1635  
01:11:52,130 --> 01:11:48,480  
okay

1636  
01:11:54,350 --> 01:11:52,140  
for Roman my colleague John who might be

1637  
01:11:56,450 --> 01:11:54,360  
here he might have gone home is actually

1638  
01:11:58,310 --> 01:11:56,460

devising how do we use machine learning

1639

01:12:01,189 --> 01:11:58,320

to actually tell us the images that look

1640

01:12:04,310 --> 01:12:01,199

good and look bad it's so cool

1641

01:12:06,050 --> 01:12:04,320

um but that's a sense for what our

1642

01:12:07,850 --> 01:12:06,060

archive is going to be for the Roman

1643

01:12:09,590 --> 01:12:07,860

data and why we have to transform the

1644

01:12:11,630 --> 01:12:09,600

way we do science we have to do it in a

1645

01:12:13,490 --> 01:12:11,640

more Community Driven fashion we have to

1646

01:12:16,370 --> 01:12:13,500

share resources and this is going to

1647

01:12:18,530 --> 01:12:16,380

transform astronomy just the ground

1648

01:12:21,649 --> 01:12:18,540

testing data that I spend time thinking

1649

01:12:26,270 --> 01:12:21,659

about is about the size is about twice

1650

01:12:28,729 --> 01:12:26,280

uh this uh jwst five-year mission

1651

01:12:31,490 --> 01:12:28,739

like oh I get to manage a jwst t size

1652

01:12:34,310 --> 01:12:31,500

data chunk for a ground testing cool

1653

01:12:36,229 --> 01:12:34,320

that's definitely on my resume uh but

1654

01:12:39,830 --> 01:12:36,239

anyway just think about that over time

1655

01:12:44,570 --> 01:12:42,169

if I brought anything to the Hubble

1656

01:12:46,850 --> 01:12:44,580

project it was perseverance and belief

1657

01:12:49,250 --> 01:12:46,860

that it was possible how humble is that

1658

01:12:51,410 --> 01:12:49,260

she testified for NASA she got an entire

1659

01:12:53,149 --> 01:12:51,420

astronomical community at a time when

1660

01:12:55,970 --> 01:12:53,159

all astronomers didn't really get along

1661

01:12:57,950 --> 01:12:55,980

to go behind this Mission form the

1662

01:13:00,709 --> 01:12:57,960

committee she invented the type of NASA

1663

01:13:02,209 --> 01:13:00,719

peer review she was the peer review for

1664

01:13:04,430 --> 01:13:02,219

a really long time and then she started

1665

01:13:07,010 --> 01:13:04,440

Outsourcing it she did all of this to

1666

01:13:09,229 --> 01:13:07,020

bring Hubble around it was greenlit for

1667

01:13:11,030 --> 01:13:09,239

funding about 1978 about a year before

1668

01:13:11,750 --> 01:13:11,040

she retired

1669

01:13:13,910 --> 01:13:11,760

um

1670

01:13:15,709 --> 01:13:13,920

it's more than just perseverance and

1671

01:13:18,229 --> 01:13:15,719

belief it's being incredibly effective

1672

01:13:20,990 --> 01:13:18,239

and personable and going all across the

1673

01:13:23,689 --> 01:13:21,000

country to convince astronomers

1674

01:13:25,250 --> 01:13:23,699

um to do this Mission uh if I had to

1675

01:13:28,189 --> 01:13:25,260

pick something that Roman's gonna do

1676

01:13:30,110 --> 01:13:28,199

that requires perseverance and belief

1677

01:13:31,729 --> 01:13:30,120

it's got to be the corona graph which I

1678

01:13:35,870 --> 01:13:31,739

haven't talked about

1679

01:13:39,169 --> 01:13:35,880

a fun fact in 1959 the year she took the

1680

01:13:41,149 --> 01:13:39,179

job with NASA Nancy Grace Roman

1681

01:13:42,290 --> 01:13:41,159

presented a paper called planets of

1682

01:13:44,630 --> 01:13:42,300

other Sons

1683

01:13:48,470 --> 01:13:44,640

and where she describes what it would

1684

01:13:50,750 --> 01:13:48,480

take to observe uh Venus Earth and

1685

01:13:53,149 --> 01:13:50,760

Saturn at their maximum brightness and

1686

01:13:56,149 --> 01:13:53,159

separations around Alpha Centauri which

1687

01:13:59,149 --> 01:13:56,159

is a nearby star so cool this is

1688

01:14:00,770 --> 01:13:59,159

actually cited and the 2023 jwst early

1689

01:14:02,630 --> 01:14:00,780

release science paper but otherwise

1690

01:14:04,070 --> 01:14:02,640

hasn't gotten a lot of citations but

1691

01:14:07,490 --> 01:14:04,080

this is how ahead of the curve she was

1692

01:14:09,770 --> 01:14:07,500

in thinking about this kind of stuff

1693

01:14:13,550 --> 01:14:09,780

so what is the coronagraph

1694

01:14:16,370 --> 01:14:13,560

chronograph is a bit of magic it's

1695

01:14:17,830 --> 01:14:16,380

technology so Advanced that it's pretty

1696

01:14:21,110 --> 01:14:17,840

close to Magic

1697

01:14:23,270 --> 01:14:21,120

that allows you to see Earths around

1698

01:14:25,970 --> 01:14:23,280

distant Stars not too distant very

1699

01:14:28,850 --> 01:14:25,980

nearby stars but pretty far away

1700

01:14:30,229 --> 01:14:28,860

and this is an image of a bright star if

1701

01:14:32,510 --> 01:14:30,239

you simulated like you were trying to

1702

01:14:35,270 --> 01:14:32,520

look at it with a Space Telescope

1703

01:14:38,030 --> 01:14:35,280

the planet the Earth-like planet would

1704

01:14:41,030 --> 01:14:38,040

be 10 billion times fainter than the

1705

01:14:45,229 --> 01:14:43,130

I hate to disappoint you but we're not

1706

01:14:46,729 --> 01:14:45,239

going to be Imaging Earths with the

1707

01:14:48,350 --> 01:14:46,739

Roman chronograph

1708

01:14:51,050 --> 01:14:48,360

we'll probably be Imaging things that

1709

01:14:53,030 --> 01:14:51,060

are a little bit brighter like Saturn uh

1710

01:14:55,370 --> 01:14:53,040

Uranus Jupiter

1711

01:14:57,470 --> 01:14:55,380

but we're going to be able to image them

1712

01:15:00,709 --> 01:14:57,480

so these things are more like you know

1713

01:15:02,390 --> 01:15:00,719

just casually like 10 million to 100

1714

01:15:04,850 --> 01:15:02,400  
million times fainter than their star

1715

01:15:06,350 --> 01:15:04,860  
than their host star just just you know

1716

01:15:08,630 --> 01:15:06,360  
10 to the seven

1717

01:15:10,189 --> 01:15:08,640  
uh but the way we do this is with this

1718

01:15:12,050 --> 01:15:10,199  
fancy technology called a coronagraph

1719

01:15:14,209 --> 01:15:12,060  
and so imagine here this is our super

1720

01:15:16,250 --> 01:15:14,219  
bright star and this is the the light

1721

01:15:18,290 --> 01:15:16,260  
that we're collecting from it and it's

1722

01:15:21,290 --> 01:15:18,300  
going to go to this first mirror and

1723

01:15:24,590 --> 01:15:21,300  
then into some lenses so the actual

1724

01:15:27,950 --> 01:15:24,600  
image of that point like star has this

1725

01:15:29,570 --> 01:15:27,960  
wavy pattern because of how Optics work

1726

01:15:32,930 --> 01:15:29,580

and Fourier transforms we don't have

1727

01:15:36,410 --> 01:15:32,940

time for that but just trust me

1728

01:15:39,410 --> 01:15:36,420

um how are we going to dim this by 10 to

1729

01:15:41,870 --> 01:15:39,420

100 million times

1730

01:15:43,370 --> 01:15:41,880

that was a duplicate slide so let's zoom

1731

01:15:44,990 --> 01:15:43,380

in we're going to blow out the contrast

1732

01:15:46,729 --> 01:15:45,000

here so we can see that pattern it's

1733

01:15:48,590 --> 01:15:46,739

called an Airy pattern

1734

01:15:50,570 --> 01:15:48,600

and here are two lenses that are going

1735

01:15:52,550 --> 01:15:50,580

to do a lot of the magic

1736

01:15:55,070 --> 01:15:52,560

the first thing we do is we slide in

1737

01:15:56,930 --> 01:15:55,080

this occulting device which is basically

1738

01:15:59,030 --> 01:15:56,940

going to take the light from the center

1739

01:16:01,430 --> 01:15:59,040

and it's going to spread it out to the

1740

01:16:03,470 --> 01:16:01,440

outside where we block it and that gets

1741

01:16:05,990 --> 01:16:03,480

rid of a lot of the central obscuration

1742

01:16:07,790 --> 01:16:06,000

but if you note I still don't see a

1743

01:16:10,070 --> 01:16:07,800

planet there

1744

01:16:12,410 --> 01:16:10,080

uh so that's not enough

1745

01:16:14,270 --> 01:16:12,420

the next thing that we do okay and so

1746

01:16:15,770 --> 01:16:14,280

this is the effective image once we put

1747

01:16:17,090 --> 01:16:15,780

the Blocker in that's the effective

1748

01:16:18,770 --> 01:16:17,100

image you're still not seeing a planet

1749

01:16:22,790 --> 01:16:18,780

but you've gotten rid of all those Airy

1750

01:16:25,010 --> 01:16:22,800

patterns I added a step there

1751

01:16:26,930 --> 01:16:25,020

um so let's blow up the contrast again

1752

01:16:29,810 --> 01:16:26,940

and look at that pattern

1753

01:16:32,149 --> 01:16:29,820

that pattern is fuzzy because the mirror

1754

01:16:34,189 --> 01:16:32,159

here isn't perfectly matching what the

1755

01:16:35,990 --> 01:16:34,199

Optics the telescope is doing to the

1756

01:16:38,270 --> 01:16:36,000

beam of light and the beam of light is

1757

01:16:41,090 --> 01:16:38,280

only so stable because of the pointing

1758

01:16:44,810 --> 01:16:41,100

in other systems and so that is the

1759

01:16:50,450 --> 01:16:48,169

so what we do is you actually take this

1760

01:16:53,390 --> 01:16:50,460

mirror and you deform it

1761

01:16:56,030 --> 01:16:53,400

until it matches the incoming pattern

1762

01:16:57,830 --> 01:16:56,040

and when you do that or when magic

1763

01:16:59,510 --> 01:16:57,840

people do that

1764

01:17:02,209 --> 01:16:59,520

um these wonderful sciences that work on

1765

01:17:05,630 --> 01:17:02,219

this uh you all of a sudden start to see

1766

01:17:10,250 --> 01:17:07,490

and when you stabilize it and take the

1767

01:17:12,830 --> 01:17:10,260

exposure around that star were two

1768

01:17:14,870 --> 01:17:12,840

planets that are sort of out you know at

1769

01:17:16,370 --> 01:17:14,880

Jupiter kind of radii and Jupiter kind

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01:17:18,050 --> 01:17:16,380

of Jupiter and Neptune kind of

1771

01:17:20,510 --> 01:17:18,060

brightnesses

1772

01:17:22,310 --> 01:17:20,520

and these are 10 to 100 million times

1773

01:17:24,649 --> 01:17:22,320

fainter than their star

1774

01:17:26,450 --> 01:17:24,659

and so this project is considered a

1775

01:17:28,669 --> 01:17:26,460

technology demonstration it's to prove

1776

01:17:30,290 --> 01:17:28,679

that we can do this so that in our next

1777

01:17:32,149 --> 01:17:30,300

great Observatory which people are

1778

01:17:34,130 --> 01:17:32,159

starting to think about we can go after

1779

01:17:36,110 --> 01:17:34,140

the Earths that are 1 billion times

1780

01:17:38,149 --> 01:17:36,120

fainter

1781

01:17:41,510 --> 01:17:38,159

luck and perseverance and bravery for

1782

01:17:44,630 --> 01:17:41,520

this one but it's going to be tremendous

1783

01:17:47,810 --> 01:17:44,640

okay I'm almost done I promise

1784

01:17:50,149 --> 01:17:47,820

um another thing Nancy says is that my

1785

01:17:51,950 --> 01:17:50,159

career was quite unusual so my main

1786

01:17:54,530 --> 01:17:51,960

advice to someone interested in a career

1787

01:17:57,410 --> 01:17:54,540

similar to my own is to remain open to

1788

01:17:59,030 --> 01:17:57,420

change and New Opportunities I like to

1789

01:18:02,209 --> 01:17:59,040

tell students that the jobs I took after

1790

01:18:04,490 --> 01:18:02,219

my PhD were not in existence only a few

1791

01:18:06,050 --> 01:18:04,500

years before

1792

01:18:08,090 --> 01:18:06,060

I like to tell this to Young

1793

01:18:10,610 --> 01:18:08,100

undergraduates to think about the people

1794

01:18:12,530 --> 01:18:10,620

who are retiring this year the year they

1795

01:18:14,689 --> 01:18:12,540

entered the workforce and what the

1796

01:18:17,209 --> 01:18:14,699

technology was then and the types of

1797

01:18:19,610 --> 01:18:17,219

jobs they were people did and the types

1798

01:18:21,229 --> 01:18:19,620

of jobs what the jobs look like now so

1799

01:18:23,390 --> 01:18:21,239

one of your best

1800

01:18:26,209 --> 01:18:23,400

skills to learn is the skill to be

1801

01:18:28,630 --> 01:18:26,219

flexible and learn the skill to learn

1802

01:18:33,110 --> 01:18:28,640

to put things in perspective

1803

01:18:35,570 --> 01:18:33,120

Roman was once uh called W first

1804

01:18:37,729 --> 01:18:35,580

um and that mission was uh kind of put

1805

01:18:40,070 --> 01:18:37,739

together around this time frame around

1806

01:18:41,990 --> 01:18:40,080

2010

1807

01:18:44,990 --> 01:18:42,000

um and so my job working here at the

1808

01:18:48,350 --> 01:18:45,000

science operations center was not in

1809

01:18:50,930 --> 01:18:48,360

existence it was not conceptualized even

1810

01:18:53,810 --> 01:18:50,940

10 or 15 years ago

1811

01:18:56,030 --> 01:18:53,820

uh just to emphasize that science is

1812

01:18:58,250 --> 01:18:56,040

changing the jobs do change so we're way

1813

01:19:00,290 --> 01:18:58,260

on the other side and Roman will launch

1814

01:19:01,910 --> 01:19:00,300

just on the edge of the slide deck over

1815

01:19:05,149 --> 01:19:01,920

there on the screen

1816

01:19:07,310 --> 01:19:05,159

uh just to take that point home

1817

01:19:10,370 --> 01:19:07,320

um Nancy was one of about 25 people that

1818

01:19:13,130 --> 01:19:10,380

graduated with a PhD in astronomy in

1819

01:19:15,590 --> 01:19:13,140

1940

1820

01:19:18,410 --> 01:19:15,600

49 Maybe

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01:19:21,290 --> 01:19:18,420

49ish ish

1822

01:19:23,030 --> 01:19:21,300

um today thousands of people graduate we

1823

01:19:24,290 --> 01:19:23,040

have this new facility that you know

1824

01:19:26,570 --> 01:19:24,300

we're working on here that's going to

1825

01:19:27,770 --> 01:19:26,580

require new ideas and new thoughts and

1826

01:19:29,930 --> 01:19:27,780

we're already planning for something

1827

01:19:33,410 --> 01:19:29,940

that will launch in 2030 way off the

1828

01:19:35,990 --> 01:19:33,420

chart and almost into the other room

1829

01:19:38,090 --> 01:19:36,000

um and those jobs will look different uh

1830

01:19:40,010 --> 01:19:38,100

so I think you know I always like to end

1831

01:19:41,750 --> 01:19:40,020

on a moving forward note which is those

1832

01:19:43,490 --> 01:19:41,760

that are listening

1833

01:19:45,229 --> 01:19:43,500

um to to think about what those jobs

1834

01:19:46,850 --> 01:19:45,239

might look like to always think a little

1835

01:19:48,470 --> 01:19:46,860

bit further ahead

1836

01:19:50,330 --> 01:19:48,480

um and just because a skill isn't

1837

01:19:51,950 --> 01:19:50,340

necessary directly applicable with

1838

01:19:54,110 --> 01:19:51,960

what's going on now it doesn't mean it's

1839

01:19:56,090 --> 01:19:54,120

not worth thinking about it or investing

1840

01:19:57,470 --> 01:19:56,100

in it when Nancy graduated through PhD

1841

01:20:00,169 --> 01:19:57,480

there's no such thing as a NASA

1842

01:20:03,110 --> 01:20:00,179

administrator it was a for astrophysics

1843

01:20:05,090 --> 01:20:03,120

it was a job that she

1844

01:20:06,590 --> 01:20:05,100

created basically uh when she was first

1845

01:20:09,350 --> 01:20:06,600

hired

1846

01:20:11,030 --> 01:20:09,360

and this is my last slide which is again

1847

01:20:15,050 --> 01:20:11,040

the

1848

01:20:17,689 --> 01:20:15,060

I never seriously considered any

1849

01:20:19,070 --> 01:20:17,699

occupation other than astronomy a piece

1850

01:20:21,169 --> 01:20:19,080

of artwork I did when I was in third

1851

01:20:22,850 --> 01:20:21,179

grade she was a girl gazing out the

1852

01:20:24,709 --> 01:20:22,860

window at the night sky next to a poem

1853

01:20:26,209 --> 01:20:24,719

about looking at the stars

1854

01:20:27,830 --> 01:20:26,219

so again this comes from the children's

1855

01:20:30,530 --> 01:20:27,840

book

1856

01:20:32,149 --> 01:20:30,540

um but it's just to hit home that I

1857

01:20:34,250 --> 01:20:32,159

think a lot of us scientists and

1858

01:20:37,850 --> 01:20:34,260

especially astronomers we start looking

1859

01:20:41,149 --> 01:20:37,860

up we start with these uh this awe and

1860

01:20:44,270 --> 01:20:41,159

curiosity about the night sky and

1861

01:20:47,510 --> 01:20:44,280

um don't you know keep that I mean don't

1862

01:20:50,930 --> 01:20:47,520

not keep it keep that that's where a lot

1863

01:20:53,209 --> 01:20:50,940

of us start and eventually you could be

1864

01:20:55,790 --> 01:20:53,219

the mother of the next Hubble

1865

01:20:57,830 --> 01:20:55,800

so thank you very much for listening to

1866

01:20:59,060 --> 01:20:57,840

Roman Mission I hope you understand a

1867

01:21:08,750 --> 01:20:59,070

little bit more

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01:21:14,930 --> 01:21:11,590

thank you thank you thank you Rachel uh

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01:21:16,490 --> 01:21:14,940

so this is um we have some we have time

1870

01:21:17,450 --> 01:21:16,500

for some questions

1871

01:21:19,550 --> 01:21:17,460

um and this is a little bit of an

1872

01:21:21,350 --> 01:21:19,560

unusual public lecture in that we don't

1873

01:21:23,090 --> 01:21:21,360

normally have a room full of other

1874

01:21:25,370 --> 01:21:23,100

scientists

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01:21:27,890 --> 01:21:25,380

um and so uh

1876

01:21:29,990 --> 01:21:27,900

Rachel and and Joan you get the you get

1877

01:21:32,090 --> 01:21:30,000

first crack at any questions but if they

1878

01:21:34,610 --> 01:21:32,100

want to punt to any of you experts out

1879

01:21:36,350 --> 01:21:34,620

here any of you scientists or Engineers

1880

01:21:38,930 --> 01:21:36,360

um we have a room full of them so if we

1881

01:21:41,270 --> 01:21:38,940

get really hard online questions this

1882

01:21:43,370 --> 01:21:41,280

might be a group effort all right they

1883

01:21:45,830 --> 01:21:43,380

brought their own backup yeah that's

1884

01:21:48,649 --> 01:21:45,840

right okay so uh do we want to start

1885

01:21:50,510 --> 01:21:48,659

with some online sure

1886

01:21:52,490 --> 01:21:50,520

all right so I'll be bringing the first

1887

01:21:54,950 --> 01:21:52,500

question from online

1888

01:21:58,729 --> 01:21:54,960

um which is a little more engineering

1889

01:22:01,550 --> 01:21:58,739

but will the telescope have the ability

1890

01:22:03,530 --> 01:22:01,560

to be upgraded or changed over time is

1891

01:22:05,930 --> 01:22:03,540

it possible to do an over-the-air like

1892

01:22:08,270 --> 01:22:05,940

firmware update is there any plan for

1893

01:22:15,050 --> 01:22:08,280

Hardware changes is there servicing

1894

01:22:15,060 --> 01:22:23,649

clean

1895

01:22:31,550 --> 01:22:27,590

yeah I got it into a new mode

1896

01:22:33,950 --> 01:22:31,560

um right so the telescope will be at L2

1897

01:22:36,470 --> 01:22:33,960

which is not in orbit around the Earth

1898

01:22:38,390 --> 01:22:36,480

it's pretty far away

1899

01:22:42,290 --> 01:22:38,400

um you can do

1900

01:22:43,130 --> 01:22:42,300

uh software changes sort of

1901

01:22:46,370 --> 01:22:43,140

um

1902

01:22:48,130 --> 01:22:46,380

but you can and it's possible with

1903

01:22:51,649 --> 01:22:48,140

appropriate

1904

01:22:54,410 --> 01:22:51,659

robots that you could send a robot out

1905

01:22:55,729 --> 01:22:54,420

there to swap things out

1906

01:22:59,810 --> 01:22:55,739

um

1907

01:23:03,110 --> 01:22:59,820

and maybe you could send a person like

1908

01:23:06,229 --> 01:23:03,120

in a long time but um in general the the

1909

01:23:08,990 --> 01:23:06,239

mission is five-year lifetime uh just a

1910

01:23:11,750 --> 01:23:09,000

reminder Hubble I think was a 10 year or

1911

01:23:13,370 --> 01:23:11,760

15 year it went on for 30 years so these

1912

01:23:14,750 --> 01:23:13,380

missions do tend to stay around but

1913

01:23:16,250 --> 01:23:14,760

we're only planning for those five years

1914

01:23:19,430 --> 01:23:16,260

right now with the hope that it will

1915

01:23:21,890 --> 01:23:19,440

stay around for us so it's possible uh

1916

01:23:23,990 --> 01:23:21,900

but the technology

1917

01:23:28,250 --> 01:23:24,000

does not exist at the moment that would

1918

01:23:31,010 --> 01:23:30,050

that kind of leads us directly into our

1919

01:23:33,950 --> 01:23:31,020

next

1920

01:23:36,770 --> 01:23:33,960

question from online which is why do we

1921

01:23:39,229 --> 01:23:36,780

hear talks of five-year missions when

1922

01:23:42,050 --> 01:23:39,239

you have fuel or ability for 20-year

1923

01:23:45,169 --> 01:23:43,370

right

1924

01:23:46,970 --> 01:23:45,179

so

1925

01:23:49,070 --> 01:23:46,980

um

1926

01:23:50,689 --> 01:23:49,080

you design a mission to meet

1927

01:23:52,550 --> 01:23:50,699

requirements

1928

01:23:56,950 --> 01:23:52,560

and you want it to meet those

1929

01:23:56,960 --> 01:24:01,669

99.9999999 confidence

1930

01:24:07,550 --> 01:24:05,050

and it turns out when you are 99.999

1931

01:24:10,189 --> 01:24:07,560

confidence in engineering you've usually

1932

01:24:11,689 --> 01:24:10,199

done a really good job and that thing

1933

01:24:13,910 --> 01:24:11,699

will

1934

01:24:17,510 --> 01:24:13,920

surpass its lifetime so when we talk

1935

01:24:19,189 --> 01:24:17,520

about jwst Fuel and in particular this

1936

01:24:21,590 --> 01:24:19,199

is I think probably come up in people's

1937

01:24:23,689 --> 01:24:21,600

minds around jdbst

1938

01:24:25,790 --> 01:24:23,699

um you know you think about all the

1939

01:24:29,570 --> 01:24:25,800

possible things that could happen on its

1940

01:24:31,430 --> 01:24:29,580

trip from Earth uh to L2 all the

1941

01:24:34,010 --> 01:24:31,440

possible ways that it could have to use

1942

01:24:35,410 --> 01:24:34,020

extra Fuel and you add all that up and

1943

01:24:36,970 --> 01:24:35,420

that goes into that

1944

01:24:39,649 --> 01:24:36,980

99.999999

1945

01:24:40,790 --> 01:24:39,659

confidence that this mission is going to

1946

01:24:43,970 --> 01:24:40,800

be successful

1947

01:24:45,830 --> 01:24:43,980

so sometimes you end up with extra

1948

01:24:47,630 --> 01:24:45,840

because you

1949

01:24:49,250 --> 01:24:47,640

prepared

1950

01:24:51,890 --> 01:24:49,260

really well

1951

01:24:55,689 --> 01:24:51,900

and maybe those things didn't happen uh

1952

01:24:58,010 --> 01:24:55,699

it's also a matter of you know money

1953

01:25:00,830 --> 01:24:58,020

it's also a matter of having science

1954

01:25:02,570 --> 01:25:00,840

requirements uh the things that we are

1955

01:25:04,250 --> 01:25:02,580

required to do and that we will try to

1956

01:25:06,050 --> 01:25:04,260

do can be achieved in that five-year

1957

01:25:08,390 --> 01:25:06,060

time frame

1958

01:25:10,790 --> 01:25:08,400

um you know it's also practical uh to

1959

01:25:13,250 --> 01:25:10,800

think in those kinds of terms so we do

1960

01:25:14,510 --> 01:25:13,260

have admin so hopefully this was a who

1961

01:25:16,130 --> 01:25:14,520

who think about this a lot more than I

1962

01:25:18,770 --> 01:25:16,140

do probably that's a reasonable answer

1963

01:25:20,930 --> 01:25:18,780

but it's often just that you plan

1964

01:25:23,750 --> 01:25:20,940

something to such a Precision that you

1965

01:25:26,209 --> 01:25:23,760

you're you were 85 percent confident

1966

01:25:28,430 --> 01:25:26,219

that you would get 10 years say making

1967

01:25:31,729 --> 01:25:28,440

those numbers up uh but we only report

1968

01:25:34,490 --> 01:25:31,739

what we're 99.999 percent confident we're going

1969

01:25:42,470 --> 01:25:36,709

all right um we've had an online let's

1970

01:25:46,490 --> 01:25:44,510

oh and we'd rather hear you please

1971

01:25:49,729 --> 01:25:46,500

please

1972

01:25:52,310 --> 01:25:49,739

okay so this has been fascinating

1973

01:25:53,689 --> 01:25:52,320

um I thoroughly enjoyed it I almost see

1974

01:25:57,410 --> 01:25:53,699

you as the

1975

01:25:59,149 --> 01:25:57,420

the follow-on of Nancy Grace Roman

1976

01:26:04,250 --> 01:25:59,159

um so I just wanted to say that publicly

1977

01:26:11,810 --> 01:26:07,610

what do you think the capabilities will

1978

01:26:13,010 --> 01:26:11,820

be then especially with telescopes

1979

01:26:15,530 --> 01:26:13,020

Etc

1980

01:26:18,110 --> 01:26:15,540

if you if you had unlimited budget you

1981

01:26:20,629 --> 01:26:18,120

had people with the right skill set

1982

01:26:24,110 --> 01:26:20,639

and all how how would it look in the

1983

01:26:31,070 --> 01:26:26,689

maybe that's not a fair question but no

1984

01:26:36,590 --> 01:26:34,070

there's a tricky thing you can do called

1985

01:26:39,350 --> 01:26:36,600

interferometry and that's where you put

1986

01:26:41,149 --> 01:26:39,360

multiple telescopes together and you

1987

01:26:43,629 --> 01:26:41,159

combine the light beams from each

1988

01:26:45,950 --> 01:26:43,639

telescope and you get the effective

1989

01:26:48,590 --> 01:26:45,960

telescope resolution

1990

01:26:51,229 --> 01:26:48,600

of this huge of this huge thing it's

1991

01:26:54,229 --> 01:26:51,239

used a lot in radio astronomy because

1992

01:26:55,250 --> 01:26:54,239

the wavelengths are so large that I

1993

01:26:57,649 --> 01:26:55,260

don't want to say it's easy it's

1994

01:27:00,050 --> 01:26:57,659

extremely difficult but it's much easier

1995

01:27:03,110 --> 01:27:00,060

than like the light we see

1996

01:27:05,629 --> 01:27:03,120

um to to use this technique there are

1997

01:27:07,910 --> 01:27:05,639

interferometers on the ground

1998

01:27:09,290 --> 01:27:07,920

um they're sort of like the size Optical

1999

01:27:11,030 --> 01:27:09,300

interferometers they're like the size of

2000

01:27:13,550 --> 01:27:11,040

a campus say

2001  
01:27:15,530 --> 01:27:13,560  
the radio interferometers are about the

2002  
01:27:16,910 --> 01:27:15,540  
size of the Earth there's telescopes all

2003  
01:27:18,830 --> 01:27:16,920  
over the Earth and you can combine them

2004  
01:27:22,250 --> 01:27:18,840  
together and get an earth-sized beam

2005  
01:27:25,189 --> 01:27:22,260  
this is what was used to say observe the

2006  
01:27:27,649 --> 01:27:25,199  
black hole in m87 among other really

2007  
01:27:31,910 --> 01:27:27,659  
exciting things

2008  
01:27:33,370 --> 01:27:31,920  
in 2075 I would hope we would be able to

2009  
01:27:35,330 --> 01:27:33,380  
have

2010  
01:27:37,430 --> 01:27:35,340  
interferometers

2011  
01:27:39,770 --> 01:27:37,440  
maybe an optical

2012  
01:27:43,010 --> 01:27:39,780  
but across the size of like the Earth's

2013  
01:27:49,370 --> 01:27:46,790

that would be cool that's really hard

2014

01:27:50,390 --> 01:27:49,380

that is extremely hard

2015

01:27:52,970 --> 01:27:50,400

um

2016

01:27:55,010 --> 01:27:52,980

but you know if you had to aim for

2017

01:27:57,610 --> 01:27:55,020

something that would really make the

2018

01:27:59,590 --> 01:27:57,620

engineers and the data

2019

01:28:02,090 --> 01:27:59,600

scientists

2020

01:28:03,649 --> 01:28:02,100

really have to think hard it would be

2021

01:28:05,330 --> 01:28:03,659

trying to do something like that it's

2022

01:28:09,169 --> 01:28:05,340

borderline impossible it's definitely

2023

01:28:10,490 --> 01:28:09,179

impossible now but it would yeah that

2024

01:28:13,729 --> 01:28:10,500

would be cool because then you would

2025

01:28:16,790 --> 01:28:13,739

have effectively a planetary orbit-sized

2026

01:28:18,410 --> 01:28:16,800

resolution machine which would be it's

2027

01:28:24,850 --> 01:28:18,420

unfathomable I can't do the numbers off

2028

01:28:24,860 --> 01:28:34,750

any other questions in the room

2029

01:28:39,530 --> 01:28:37,070

so just briefly thank you for talking

2030

01:28:40,910 --> 01:28:39,540

about the chronograph capabilities of

2031

01:28:42,350 --> 01:28:40,920

Roman

2032

01:28:43,310 --> 01:28:42,360

this is kind of a little bit of a

2033

01:28:45,430 --> 01:28:43,320

general question but how would you

2034

01:28:48,950 --> 01:28:45,440

compare these sort of capabilities to

2035

01:28:51,290 --> 01:28:48,960

detect and characterize exoplanets from

2036

01:28:54,350 --> 01:28:51,300

JWST to Roman what are kind of the major

2037

01:28:55,850 --> 01:28:54,360

advances beyond what what JWST can do

2038

01:28:58,189 --> 01:28:55,860

yeah

2039

01:28:59,930 --> 01:28:58,199

um I know this because someone asked

2040

01:29:02,629 --> 01:28:59,940

this question in the scientific session

2041

01:29:05,090 --> 01:29:02,639

so this is both a this is a real like

2042

01:29:07,129 --> 01:29:05,100

this is a really good question and so

2043

01:29:10,189 --> 01:29:07,139

I'm going to say what my colleague

2044

01:29:12,970 --> 01:29:10,199

Julian said uh jwst does not have

2045

01:29:16,490 --> 01:29:12,980

deformable mirrors so I showed that step

2046

01:29:19,610 --> 01:29:16,500

where we adjust the mirror to take into

2047

01:29:22,129 --> 01:29:19,620

account the intrinsic variation in the

2048

01:29:24,950 --> 01:29:22,139

light beam jwc can't do that that's what

2049

01:29:27,169 --> 01:29:24,960

got us to

2050

01:29:30,590 --> 01:29:27,179

um that amazing ability to see that

2051

01:29:32,450 --> 01:29:30,600

contrast ratio jbst has a coronagraph

2052

01:29:34,129 --> 01:29:32,460

one of the instruments does hsd does as

2053

01:29:35,510 --> 01:29:34,139

well but they're just doing that part

2054

01:29:37,070 --> 01:29:35,520

where they take the middle part of the

2055

01:29:39,229 --> 01:29:37,080

light and send it out to the outside and

2056

01:29:40,970 --> 01:29:39,239

block it they're not doing that part

2057

01:29:42,070 --> 01:29:40,980

where they hyper stabilize everything

2058

01:29:44,689 --> 01:29:42,080

and

2059

01:29:46,550 --> 01:29:44,699

reduce that noise pattern that we were

2060

01:29:49,550 --> 01:29:46,560

showing

2061

01:29:51,950 --> 01:29:49,560

um that's the difference

2062

01:29:55,030 --> 01:29:51,960

um this technology

2063

01:29:57,350 --> 01:29:55,040

we have um coronagraphs on the ground

2064

01:30:00,830 --> 01:29:57,360

but they can't reach that Precision

2065

01:30:02,570 --> 01:30:00,840

either because uh

2066

01:30:04,250 --> 01:30:02,580

things are moving it's very hard to

2067

01:30:06,770 --> 01:30:04,260

stabilize

2068

01:30:08,990 --> 01:30:06,780

um so that is and the atmosphere

2069

01:30:10,790 --> 01:30:09,000

um but that's the difference is that

2070

01:30:13,790 --> 01:30:10,800

it's that deformable mirror that last

2071

01:30:16,970 --> 01:30:13,800

step is something that jwst can't do

2072

01:30:19,490 --> 01:30:16,980

jwst can do other things and the really

2073

01:30:22,129 --> 01:30:19,500

exciting thing is to think about what we

2074

01:30:23,510 --> 01:30:22,139

learn from the Roman coronagraph

2075

01:30:26,689 --> 01:30:23,520

Community program this technology

2076  
01:30:29,209 --> 01:30:26,699  
demonstration and how that changes how

2077  
01:30:32,149 --> 01:30:29,219  
we look at things with jwst and then how

2078  
01:30:33,950 --> 01:30:32,159  
that influences the Next Generation that

2079  
01:30:37,129 --> 01:30:33,960  
will fly on the habitable worlds I saw

2080  
01:30:40,729 --> 01:30:37,139  
these in the lab at the jet propulsion

2081  
01:30:42,950 --> 01:30:40,739  
laboratory and just walking around the

2082  
01:30:44,629 --> 01:30:42,960  
instrument is enough that they can see

2083  
01:30:46,430 --> 01:30:44,639  
that in the data that they're taking

2084  
01:30:49,790 --> 01:30:46,440  
like this is how precise they have to

2085  
01:30:52,430 --> 01:30:49,800  
position the electronics to picometer so

2086  
01:30:54,770 --> 01:30:52,440  
one part and a billion to make this

2087  
01:30:56,689 --> 01:30:54,780  
thing work and I ask them how they do

2088  
01:30:58,430 --> 01:30:56,699

that and I was like lasers right and

2089

01:31:01,370 --> 01:30:58,440

like yes lasers and it would take all

2090

01:31:03,709 --> 01:31:01,380

afternoon to explain it cool

2091

01:31:05,930 --> 01:31:03,719

um but that's the difference that

2092

01:31:07,550 --> 01:31:05,940

technology it really is on the edge of

2093

01:31:08,870 --> 01:31:07,560

magic

2094

01:31:11,270 --> 01:31:08,880

um but it's very believable when you

2095

01:31:16,310 --> 01:31:11,280

meet the astronomers that do it yeah I

2096

01:31:19,090 --> 01:31:18,110

all right we have another question from

2097

01:31:21,970 --> 01:31:19,100

online

2098

01:31:24,229 --> 01:31:21,980

which is we've talked a lot about

2099

01:31:27,709 --> 01:31:24,239

ground-based or at least alluded to

2100

01:31:29,750 --> 01:31:27,719

ground base versus orbital telescopes if

2101  
01:31:32,990 --> 01:31:29,760  
you had your choice of anywhere you

2102  
01:31:35,330 --> 01:31:33,000  
could position in a like a station or an

2103  
01:31:41,390 --> 01:31:35,340  
observation where would you put your

2104  
01:31:46,729 --> 01:31:43,729  
so for some things the back of the moon

2105  
01:31:49,850 --> 01:31:46,739  
seems pretty cool

2106  
01:31:51,890 --> 01:31:49,860  
um you're always looking away uh

2107  
01:31:55,070 --> 01:31:51,900  
there's no light pollution it's very

2108  
01:31:56,330 --> 01:31:55,080  
quiet as well like radio quiet so that's

2109  
01:31:57,890 --> 01:31:56,340  
where a lot of really interesting things

2110  
01:31:58,669 --> 01:31:57,900  
could could be done on the back of the

2111  
01:32:05,990 --> 01:31:58,679  
Moon

2112  
01:32:07,250 --> 01:32:06,000  
quite sharp so you have to there's a lot

2113  
01:32:09,229 --> 01:32:07,260

of things that you have to figure out

2114

01:32:11,090 --> 01:32:09,239

how to do but that would be really cool

2115

01:32:14,810 --> 01:32:11,100

because there are things that we just

2116

01:32:16,669 --> 01:32:14,820

can't do because of how loud everything

2117

01:32:18,470 --> 01:32:16,679

is here on Earth both in the radio and

2118

01:32:20,990 --> 01:32:18,480

in the optical

2119

01:32:28,370 --> 01:32:25,070

I really want a fancy space spectrograph

2120

01:32:30,169 --> 01:32:28,380

that does high resolution

2121

01:32:32,810 --> 01:32:30,179

um so when I say that a spectrograph

2122

01:32:35,330 --> 01:32:32,820

instead of taking light a picture in one

2123

01:32:37,370 --> 01:32:35,340

color it spreads the colors out and I

2124

01:32:39,649 --> 01:32:37,380

would love to have something at high

2125

01:32:40,790 --> 01:32:39,659

spectral resolution

2126

01:32:42,709 --> 01:32:40,800

um because that will give you the

2127

01:32:46,729 --> 01:32:42,719

ability to measure the chemistry of

2128

01:32:48,950 --> 01:32:46,739

stars uh things now aren't quite high

2129

01:32:52,129 --> 01:32:48,960

enough resolution that's the thing

2130

01:32:54,410 --> 01:32:52,139

that's not on the current menu of

2131

01:32:57,290 --> 01:32:54,420

options for this next telescope that I

2132

01:33:00,950 --> 01:32:57,300

would really want to have as far as

2133

01:33:07,729 --> 01:33:00,960

where to put it L2 seems pretty decent I

2134

01:33:11,990 --> 01:33:10,189

I'm going to take the Liberty to ask the

2135

01:33:13,370 --> 01:33:12,000

last question because I want to turn it

2136

01:33:16,370 --> 01:33:13,380

around a little bit on you Joan because

2137

01:33:18,830 --> 01:33:16,380

you asked a great question what would it

2138

01:33:20,390 --> 01:33:18,840

look like in 2075 I want to turn a

2139

01:33:22,669 --> 01:33:20,400

little bit around

2140

01:33:25,070 --> 01:33:22,679

what do you think Nancy Grace would say

2141

01:33:28,250 --> 01:33:25,080

to see the capabilities of her telescope

2142

01:33:30,110 --> 01:33:28,260

her namesake telescope

2143

01:33:31,490 --> 01:33:30,120

and we need it we actually need a mic

2144

01:33:35,629 --> 01:33:31,500

for you don't we

2145

01:33:42,050 --> 01:33:40,189

first of all she would be so honored

2146

01:33:45,410 --> 01:33:42,060

um and and she's the type of person

2147

01:33:46,910 --> 01:33:45,420

without you know I mean she she she's

2148

01:33:48,709 --> 01:33:46,920

the type who would ask that kind of

2149

01:33:52,790 --> 01:33:48,719

question in terms of well how would it

2150

01:33:55,070 --> 01:33:52,800

look in 2075. so her her thing is yeah I

2151

01:33:57,229 --> 01:33:55,080

can see what what it can do today

2152

01:33:59,330 --> 01:33:57,239

but I'm also want to start thinking in

2153

01:34:01,669 --> 01:33:59,340

terms of what it can do tomorrow and not

2154

01:34:03,770 --> 01:34:01,679

just tomorrow but let's go five years

2155

01:34:06,590 --> 01:34:03,780

from now 10 years from now 20 years from

2156

01:34:08,450 --> 01:34:06,600

now so that we can always be reaching

2157

01:34:11,450 --> 01:34:08,460

towards something and not become

2158

01:34:14,090 --> 01:34:11,460

stagnant in the present day and that

2159

01:34:15,770 --> 01:34:14,100

would give us an opportunity to learn to

2160

01:34:18,530 --> 01:34:15,780

learn from that and how to make certain

2161

01:34:21,649 --> 01:34:18,540

projections so I think that's that would

2162

01:34:23,629 --> 01:34:21,659

be her thing like oh this is great no

2163

01:34:25,850 --> 01:34:23,639

and I feel honored and whatnot okay

2164

01:34:28,790 --> 01:34:25,860

let's talk about the follow-on

2165

01:34:31,370 --> 01:34:28,800

all right and that way to be able to

2166

01:34:34,430 --> 01:34:31,380

inspire other people to be able to

2167

01:34:37,790 --> 01:34:34,440

participate in that as well so I think

2168

01:34:39,830 --> 01:34:37,800

that that would be her position great

2169

01:34:50,450 --> 01:34:39,840

thank you let's speak let's thank both