



1  
00:00:46,960 --> 00:00:37,080  
I came out here Ito and a lot further

2  
00:00:46,970 --> 00:00:56,290  
hey babe

3  
00:00:56,300 --> 00:01:00,950  
I am

4  
00:01:06,270 --> 00:01:03,660  
welcome to this edition of NASA images

5  
00:01:08,190 --> 00:01:06,280  
this is Lynn Bondurant during this show

6  
00:01:10,710 --> 00:01:08,200  
were focusing on historic NASA

7  
00:01:12,750 --> 00:01:10,720  
documentary footage showing some of the

8  
00:01:16,590 --> 00:01:12,760  
discoveries about the solar system and

9  
00:01:19,340 --> 00:01:16,600  
stars made by unmanned probes in 1979

10  
00:01:22,770 --> 00:01:19,350  
and later our first film clip is from

11  
00:01:24,960 --> 00:01:22,780  
1979 and shows some of the results of

12  
00:01:27,780 --> 00:01:24,970  
the Voyager spacecraft encounters with

13  
00:01:30,870 --> 00:01:27,790

Jupiter and the Pioneer spacecraft flyby

14

00:01:33,270 --> 00:01:30,880

of Saturn Jupiter largest of the sun's

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00:01:36,390 --> 00:01:33,280

nine planets was photographed close-up

16

00:01:38,310 --> 00:01:36,400

by the voyagers 1 & 2 spacecraft what

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00:01:40,650 --> 00:01:38,320

their camera eyes recorded as they

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00:01:43,140 --> 00:01:40,660

passed by the giant planets churning

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00:01:46,350 --> 00:01:43,150

clouds were ribbon like streaks of red

20

00:01:48,540 --> 00:01:46,360

and brown and yellow the wealth of data

21

00:01:50,880 --> 00:01:48,550

and photographs left behind by the

22

00:01:52,950 --> 00:01:50,890

voyagers are providing scientists a

23

00:01:55,469 --> 00:01:52,960

valuable source of raw material to be

24

00:01:58,920 --> 00:01:55,479

studied from Jupiter's newly discovered

25

00:02:01,920 --> 00:01:58,930

ring to the active volcanoes of IO one

26  
00:02:03,780 --> 00:02:01,930  
of its 14 surrounding moons the voyager

27  
00:02:06,990 --> 00:02:03,790  
discoveries have surprised and delighted

28  
00:02:09,210 --> 00:02:07,000  
nasa scientists information that may one

29  
00:02:12,479 --> 00:02:09,220  
day help us better understand our own

30  
00:02:15,150 --> 00:02:12,489  
earth and the voyagers mission did not

31  
00:02:16,860 --> 00:02:15,160  
end at Jupiter the two spacecraft are

32  
00:02:21,660 --> 00:02:16,870  
now speeding toward a rendezvous with

33  
00:02:24,690 --> 00:02:21,670  
Saturn in 1980 and 1981 acting as

34  
00:02:27,930 --> 00:02:24,700  
Pathfinder for the voyagers Pioneer 11

35  
00:02:30,420 --> 00:02:27,940  
the 570 pound spacecraft climaxed

36  
00:02:33,390 --> 00:02:30,430  
six-and-a-half years and a two billion

37  
00:02:38,240 --> 00:02:33,400  
mile voyage in deep space as it swept by

38  
00:02:41,009 --> 00:02:38,250

Saturn at 70 1,200 miles per hour

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00:02:43,340 --> 00:02:41,019

scientists watched anxiously as pioneer

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00:02:46,320 --> 00:02:43,350

made its - our passage of Saturn's rings

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00:02:48,690 --> 00:02:46,330

four times the spacecraft was hit by

42

00:02:52,020 --> 00:02:48,700

small pieces of debris but emerged

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00:02:54,180 --> 00:02:52,030

safely despite the collisions pioneer

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00:02:56,340 --> 00:02:54,190

had a closer look at Saturn that all the

45

00:03:00,930 --> 00:02:56,350

observations that have been made in the

46

00:03:03,090 --> 00:03:00,940

last 400 years photographs show what

47

00:03:06,300 --> 00:03:03,100

appeared to be jet streams swirling

48

00:03:08,260 --> 00:03:06,310

around Saturn at 300 miles an hour a new

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00:03:10,570 --> 00:03:08,270

ring circling the planets equator

50

00:03:12,700 --> 00:03:10,580

and radiation belts that are more like

51  
00:03:16,690 --> 00:03:12,710  
Earth's in their intensity and energy

52  
00:03:19,300 --> 00:03:16,700  
levels the Pioneer 11 spacecraft dwarfed

53  
00:03:21,460 --> 00:03:19,310  
by the objects it was sent to observe is

54  
00:03:23,860 --> 00:03:21,470  
speeding out of the solar system in an

55  
00:03:27,040 --> 00:03:23,870  
endless journey just before Voyager 1

56  
00:03:33,030 --> 00:03:27,050  
was to fly by Saturn nASA released this

57  
00:03:38,410 --> 00:03:35,080  
we have looked beyond our atmosphere

58  
00:03:40,930 --> 00:03:38,420  
many times but never have we seen what

59  
00:03:42,490 --> 00:03:40,940  
we were about to see two Voyager

60  
00:03:45,700 --> 00:03:42,500  
spacecraft are now approaching the

61  
00:03:47,590 --> 00:03:45,710  
planet Saturn ring spectacle of gas and

62  
00:03:50,590 --> 00:03:47,600  
ice and the second largest of our

63  
00:03:51,910 --> 00:03:50,600

planets there are special cameras aboard

64

00:03:53,830 --> 00:03:51,920

the voyagers though which will

65

00:03:56,700 --> 00:03:53,840

revolutionize our knowledge about Saturn

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00:04:00,160 --> 00:03:56,710

it's curious rings and it's 10 minutes

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00:04:02,110 --> 00:04:00,170

launched from Cape Canaveral in 1977 the

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00:04:05,320 --> 00:04:02,120

voyagers completed their tour of Jupiter

69

00:04:06,780 --> 00:04:05,330

in 1979 when they returned 33,000

70

00:04:08,729 --> 00:04:06,790

pictures to earth

71

00:04:10,850 --> 00:04:08,739

because of photography uncovered some

72

00:04:13,700 --> 00:04:10,860

remarkable findings

73

00:04:16,009 --> 00:04:13,710

there's rumors like Saturn and 116

74

00:04:20,949 --> 00:04:16,019

settle of experience has volcanic

75

00:04:25,250 --> 00:04:23,600

the Voyager encounters with Saturn will

76

00:04:27,950 --> 00:04:25,260

sharpen our impressions of the outer

77

00:04:28,430 --> 00:04:27,960

reaches of our solar system it's cold

78

00:04:31,219 --> 00:04:28,440

out there

79

00:04:33,710 --> 00:04:31,229

nearly a billion miles from the Sun and

80

00:04:35,870 --> 00:04:33,720

yet one of Saturn's moons the giant

81

00:04:38,689 --> 00:04:35,880

Titan may have an atmosphere that could

82

00:04:41,330 --> 00:04:38,699

support organic life an exploratory

83

00:04:42,830 --> 00:04:41,340

spacecraft pioneer 11 journey past

84

00:04:45,500 --> 00:04:42,840

Saturday year ago with less

85

00:04:46,909 --> 00:04:45,510

sophisticated cameras pioneers

86

00:04:48,920 --> 00:04:46,919

successfully passing through the

87

00:04:51,170 --> 00:04:48,930

dangerous ranges and discovered a fifth

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00:04:54,890 --> 00:04:51,180

one which the voyagers should verify

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00:05:01,050 --> 00:04:57,950

well we can expect very good quality

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00:05:03,180 --> 00:05:01,060

photographs of Saturn one of the things

91

00:05:04,860 --> 00:05:03,190

that made the the Jupiter pictures so

92

00:05:06,810 --> 00:05:04,870

interesting with the surprises that were

93

00:05:10,470 --> 00:05:06,820

that were seen in these in these

94

00:05:13,320 --> 00:05:10,480

pictures now we know even less about the

95

00:05:16,020 --> 00:05:13,330

about the Saturn system and so we might

96

00:05:20,250 --> 00:05:16,030

expect more surprises than we had even

97

00:05:22,800 --> 00:05:20,260

interpreting these computer-generated

98

00:05:24,600 --> 00:05:22,810

pictures show what larger one will see

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00:05:27,510 --> 00:05:24,610

traveling toward its closest encounter

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00:05:29,340 --> 00:05:27,520

on November 12th it should reveal some

101  
00:05:31,920 --> 00:05:29,350  
exciting discoveries about Saturn which

102  
00:05:34,530 --> 00:05:31,930  
have been beyond our grasp on that date

103  
00:05:36,120 --> 00:05:34,540  
Voyager 1 will dip near the clouds have

104  
00:05:38,940 --> 00:05:36,130  
tightened to look for potential life

105  
00:05:41,250 --> 00:05:38,950  
there then if we pass behind Saturn's

106  
00:05:44,610 --> 00:05:41,260  
rings to study the planets mixture of

107  
00:05:46,290 --> 00:05:44,620  
water and ice scientists think the rains

108  
00:05:48,480 --> 00:05:46,300  
might have been formed from a shattered

109  
00:05:51,300 --> 00:05:48,490  
satellite or some other body that was

110  
00:05:53,640 --> 00:05:51,310  
pulled into Saturn's orbit by gravity to

111  
00:05:55,620 --> 00:05:53,650  
us they seemed sleek and smooth but the

112  
00:05:57,930 --> 00:05:55,630  
Rings are composed of huge chunks of ice

113  
00:06:00,290 --> 00:05:57,940

at close range they appear as an

114

00:06:02,150 --> 00:06:00,300

asteroid snowstorm

115

00:06:04,190 --> 00:06:02,160

Saturn's composition has been a

116

00:06:07,490 --> 00:06:04,200

scientific puzzle because of the dense

117

00:06:10,760 --> 00:06:07,500

clouds that extend 37,000 miles from the

118

00:06:12,650 --> 00:06:10,770

planets rocky core we don't really even

119

00:06:15,710 --> 00:06:12,660

know exactly how large many of the

120

00:06:19,190 --> 00:06:15,720

Saturnian moons are because they're so

121

00:06:20,900 --> 00:06:19,200

hard to measure from the earth and in

122

00:06:23,990 --> 00:06:20,910

fact one of the major experiments that

123

00:06:25,940 --> 00:06:24,000

we're conducting with all of the

124

00:06:27,740 --> 00:06:25,950

instruments onboard the Voyager

125

00:06:29,360 --> 00:06:27,750

spacecraft is a comparison of the

126  
00:06:32,360 --> 00:06:29,370  
Jupiter system with the Saturnian system

127  
00:06:35,510 --> 00:06:32,370  
to see how they differ and why they

128  
00:06:37,430 --> 00:06:35,520  
differ the voyagers were planned to

129  
00:06:39,290 --> 00:06:37,440  
affirm our beliefs about Saturn and

130  
00:06:42,170 --> 00:06:39,300  
Jupiter but they've been so successful

131  
00:06:45,800 --> 00:06:42,180  
that NASA is sending Voyager 2 on to

132  
00:06:47,870 --> 00:06:45,810  
Uranus after it tours Saturn next August

133  
00:06:50,900 --> 00:06:47,880  
Voyager 2 will travel at an average

134  
00:06:54,830 --> 00:06:50,910  
speed of 60,000 miles per hour reaching

135  
00:06:57,020 --> 00:06:54,840  
the seventh planet Uranus by 1986 after

136  
00:07:00,040 --> 00:06:57,030  
that the spacecraft may venture even

137  
00:07:02,050 --> 00:07:00,050  
farther to Neptune

138  
00:07:04,210 --> 00:07:02,060

when the voyagers finished their mission

139

00:07:07,900 --> 00:07:04,220

they will lose contact with earth and

140

00:07:10,240 --> 00:07:07,910

tumble and enslave into new galaxies but

141

00:07:13,450 --> 00:07:10,250

then they will observe their members for

142

00:07:16,420 --> 00:07:13,460

what was Fantasia and speculation in our

143

00:07:23,710 --> 00:07:16,430

minds has become factual knowledge about

144

00:07:25,390 --> 00:07:23,720

space one of the last frontiers when

145

00:07:27,100 --> 00:07:25,400

Voyager one dead speed through the

146

00:07:30,159 --> 00:07:27,110

Saturn system there were some surprises

147

00:07:32,140 --> 00:07:30,169

as we'll see next and we'll also see a

148

00:07:36,249 --> 00:07:32,150

short report on how the solar max

149

00:07:39,279 --> 00:07:36,259

satellite looked at the Sun these people

150

00:07:42,580 --> 00:07:39,289

here in Mission Control were responsible

151  
00:07:45,999 --> 00:07:42,590  
for guiding NASA's 1,800 pound unmanned

152  
00:07:51,189 --> 00:07:46,009  
Voyager 1 spacecraft some billion miles

153  
00:07:52,360 --> 00:07:51,199  
through space on November 12th after a

154  
00:07:54,580 --> 00:07:52,370  
three-year journey

155  
00:08:00,249 --> 00:07:54,590  
Voyager 1 made its closest encounter

156  
00:08:03,540 --> 00:08:00,259  
with the planet Saturn Voyager has

157  
00:08:05,860 --> 00:08:03,550  
returned more than 18,000 photographs

158  
00:08:08,050 --> 00:08:05,870  
photographs that are giving scientists

159  
00:08:10,480 --> 00:08:08,060  
excellent close-up views and new

160  
00:08:15,459 --> 00:08:10,490  
information about the huge planet and

161  
00:08:18,070 --> 00:08:15,469  
its many moons with the help of computer

162  
00:08:24,159 --> 00:08:18,080  
animation you can take a ride on Voyager

163  
00:08:26,740 --> 00:08:24,169

to Saturn and its major moons voyagers

164

00:08:29,080 --> 00:08:26,750

11 scientific instruments probed deep

165

00:08:30,850 --> 00:08:29,090

into the atmosphere of Saturn and gave

166

00:08:34,209 --> 00:08:30,860

us an unprecedented view of those

167

00:08:36,760 --> 00:08:34,219

incredible rings we now know there are

168

00:08:39,819 --> 00:08:36,770

six major ring systems made up of

169

00:08:42,519 --> 00:08:39,829

possibly as many as a thousand rings the

170

00:08:45,310 --> 00:08:42,529

Rings are Sun reflecting icy objects

171

00:08:47,710 --> 00:08:45,320

ranging from Boulder sized to small

172

00:08:51,639 --> 00:08:47,720

particles that whirl around the planet

173

00:08:54,850 --> 00:08:51,649

at very high speeds and those moons are

174

00:08:57,430 --> 00:08:54,860

satellites like outriders they encircle

175

00:08:59,410 --> 00:08:57,440

Saturn generating as much scientific

176  
00:09:00,389 --> 00:08:59,420  
interest as the great ringed planet

177  
00:09:03,819 --> 00:09:00,399  
itself

178  
00:09:08,850 --> 00:09:03,829  
- Tethys D&E

179  
00:09:11,530 --> 00:09:08,860  
rheya Titan and a host of smaller ones

180  
00:09:12,990 --> 00:09:11,540  
more than a thousand journalists were on

181  
00:09:15,030 --> 00:09:13,000  
hand to witness the India

182  
00:09:17,730 --> 00:09:15,040  
and attend the science briefings that

183  
00:09:19,860 --> 00:09:17,740  
follow and these were some of the

184  
00:09:22,470 --> 00:09:19,870  
storytellers the engineers and

185  
00:09:24,570 --> 00:09:22,480  
scientists themselves it's always

186  
00:09:25,860 --> 00:09:24,580  
gratifying to have the results be

187  
00:09:28,500 --> 00:09:25,870  
something more than what was expected

188  
00:09:31,710 --> 00:09:28,510

and Saturn and what we have found was

189

00:09:32,580 --> 00:09:31,720

not expected I suspect even for the next

190

00:09:35,280 --> 00:09:32,590

few years

191

00:09:36,870 --> 00:09:35,290

we will find new discoveries in the data

192

00:09:38,610 --> 00:09:36,880

which we've acquired in the last few

193

00:09:40,620 --> 00:09:38,620

days and as we see more and more

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00:09:42,000 --> 00:09:40,630

examples of the way the universe can put

195

00:09:43,830 --> 00:09:42,010

planets together we find that our

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00:09:45,900 --> 00:09:43,840

terrestrial perspective in explaining

197

00:09:48,380 --> 00:09:45,910

our own planet has been rather limited

198

00:09:51,150 --> 00:09:48,390

we get new ideas from this what we

199

00:09:53,670 --> 00:09:51,160

learned about Saturn during that

200

00:09:56,760 --> 00:09:53,680

encounter and during the months that

201

00:10:00,720 --> 00:09:56,770

preceded it have really rewritten the

202

00:10:03,300 --> 00:10:00,730

text books on Saturn next August Voyager

203

00:10:05,100 --> 00:10:03,310

2 will approach Saturn pass by the ring

204

00:10:07,230 --> 00:10:05,110

spectacle of gas and ice from a

205

00:10:11,070 --> 00:10:07,240

different angle and then fly on to

206

00:10:13,530 --> 00:10:11,080

Uranus arriving there in 1986 it may

207

00:10:19,530 --> 00:10:13,540

also travel to Neptune before leaving

208

00:10:23,460 --> 00:10:19,540

our solar system from Earth it appears

209

00:10:27,600 --> 00:10:23,470

as a warm friendly ball an integral part

210

00:10:30,360 --> 00:10:27,610

of everything living but up close it's a

211

00:10:32,220 --> 00:10:30,370

churning solar furnace that spouts solar

212

00:10:35,760 --> 00:10:32,230

flares in an atmosphere that's

213

00:10:38,490 --> 00:10:35,770

constantly changing and explosive little

214

00:10:40,020 --> 00:10:38,500

wonder that our star the Sun has been

215

00:10:43,170 --> 00:10:40,030

the focal point of scientific

216

00:10:45,570 --> 00:10:43,180

investigation for centuries to reel a

217

00:10:48,300 --> 00:10:45,580

sophisticated pictures and data about

218

00:10:52,530 --> 00:10:48,310

the Sun and its energy cycles NASA

219

00:10:57,060 --> 00:10:52,540

launched the solar max in 1980 short for

220

00:10:59,820 --> 00:10:57,070

solar maximum mission being returned are

221

00:11:02,130 --> 00:10:59,830

the first true close-up views of the

222

00:11:05,579 --> 00:11:02,140

mysterious spots and solar flares that

223

00:11:07,920 --> 00:11:05,589

energized the sun's surface all this

224

00:11:10,140 --> 00:11:07,930

part of an effort to learn how we can

225

00:11:13,680 --> 00:11:10,150

channel the Sun into an even more

226

00:11:16,800 --> 00:11:13,690

effective energy source our next clip

227

00:11:21,800 --> 00:11:16,810

from September 1981 shows us some of the

228

00:11:27,540 --> 00:11:24,660

those music like sounds are actually

229

00:11:29,670 --> 00:11:27,550

radio waves picked up by the plasma wave

230

00:11:33,030 --> 00:11:29,680

detector on NASA's Voyager 2 spacecraft

231

00:11:36,060 --> 00:11:33,040

as it approached and swept by the planet

232

00:11:36,660 --> 00:11:36,070

Saturn after a four-year billion mile

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00:11:40,290 --> 00:11:36,670

journey

234

00:11:42,600 --> 00:11:40,300

Voyager 2 passed within 63,000 miles of

235

00:11:44,490 --> 00:11:42,610

the many-colored planet and transmitted

236

00:11:47,070 --> 00:11:44,500

back thousands of extremely clear

237

00:11:48,510 --> 00:11:47,080

pictures astronomers were surprised at

238

00:11:50,850 --> 00:11:48,520

the complexity of Saturn's rings

239

00:11:53,980 --> 00:11:50,860

including what appeared to be spokes

240

00:11:58,939 --> 00:11:56,660

during one experiment scientists watched

241

00:12:01,579 --> 00:11:58,949

a star come out from behind Saturn and

242

00:12:03,470 --> 00:12:01,589

go behind the Rings they then measured

243

00:12:08,989 --> 00:12:03,480

the amount of starlight a hundred times

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00:12:11,090 --> 00:12:08,999

a second as it blinked on and off what

245

00:12:13,369 --> 00:12:11,100

they found were many many individual

246

00:12:16,460 --> 00:12:13,379

streams of particles orbiting Saturn

247

00:12:17,600 --> 00:12:16,470

like waves in the ocean Saturn also has

248

00:12:19,850 --> 00:12:17,610

very interesting weather

249

00:12:23,480 --> 00:12:19,860

according to imaging team leader dr.

250

00:12:25,249 --> 00:12:23,490

Bradford a Smith the in fact have found

251  
00:12:27,769 --> 00:12:25,259  
that there are similarities between the

252  
00:12:30,530 --> 00:12:27,779  
Saturnian weather and terrestrial

253  
00:12:34,879 --> 00:12:30,540  
weather so that the analysis which is

254  
00:12:36,650 --> 00:12:34,889  
still going on in trying to understand

255  
00:12:38,960 --> 00:12:36,660  
the dynamics of that of that Saturn

256  
00:12:40,790 --> 00:12:38,970  
system those analyses sooner or later

257  
00:12:44,420 --> 00:12:40,800  
are going to be helpful in interpreting

258  
00:12:46,970 --> 00:12:44,430  
our own Earth's meteorology Saturn is

259  
00:12:51,799 --> 00:12:46,980  
surrounded by signs of collisions small

260  
00:12:53,929 --> 00:12:51,809  
odd shaped bodies of rock and ice the

261  
00:12:56,119 --> 00:12:53,939  
Lawrence a soda blossom chief of astro

262  
00:12:58,519 --> 00:12:56,129  
geologic studies for the US Geological

263  
00:13:02,389 --> 00:12:58,529

Survey specializes in the study of

264

00:13:04,879 --> 00:13:02,399

Saturn's moons or satellites what we've

265

00:13:07,400 --> 00:13:04,889

seen from the combined missions now is

266

00:13:10,249 --> 00:13:07,410

that the collection of objects that we

267

00:13:13,040 --> 00:13:10,259

find in the Saturnian satellite system

268

00:13:14,780 --> 00:13:13,050

extremely varied and unanticipated in

269

00:13:17,660 --> 00:13:14,790

terms of the geologic activity and the

270

00:13:20,449 --> 00:13:17,670

degree to which these objects have

271

00:13:23,540 --> 00:13:20,459

remained active and alive Enceladus

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00:13:26,059 --> 00:13:23,550

whatja to discovered has been active

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00:13:28,610 --> 00:13:26,069

over most of geologic history this is

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00:13:30,439 --> 00:13:28,620

extremely puzzling thing to have an

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00:13:33,049 --> 00:13:30,449

object that has been continually

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00:13:34,730 --> 00:13:33,059

replacing sections of a surface but

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00:13:37,819 --> 00:13:34,740

actually has a mass that's something

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00:13:40,999 --> 00:13:37,829

like one part in a hundred thousand the

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00:13:42,710 --> 00:13:41,009

mass of the earth the planet-sized moon

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00:13:45,139 --> 00:13:42,720

Titan has many of the characteristics

281

00:13:47,900 --> 00:13:45,149

that may have existed on earth in its

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00:13:51,439 --> 00:13:47,910

early geologic history its atmosphere is

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00:13:54,319 --> 00:13:51,449

dominated by 82% nitrogen gas compared

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00:13:56,900 --> 00:13:54,329

with 79% on earth but instead of oxygen

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00:13:59,840 --> 00:13:56,910

it has methane and hydrogen and it's

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00:14:01,999 --> 00:13:59,850

very cold and smoggy Voyager twos

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00:14:03,799 --> 00:14:02,009

cameras have been turned off and will

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00:14:05,570 --> 00:14:03,809

remain off most of the time for the next

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00:14:07,600 --> 00:14:05,580

four years

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00:14:10,040 --> 00:14:07,610

even so engineers at NASA's Johnson

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00:14:11,840 --> 00:14:10,050

laboratory will be watching and guiding

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00:14:15,140 --> 00:14:11,850

it toward its next rendezvous with the

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00:14:20,120 --> 00:14:15,150

planet Uranus in 1986 and Neptune in

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00:14:22,280 --> 00:14:20,130

1989 Voyager project scientist dr. Eadie

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00:14:25,100 --> 00:14:22,290

stone made these observations about the

296

00:14:28,580 --> 00:14:25,110

importance of this type research well I

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00:14:31,340 --> 00:14:28,590

think we all want to understand where we

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00:14:34,820 --> 00:14:31,350

live and it's interesting that we now

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00:14:36,680 --> 00:14:34,830

have the capability to include in where

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00:14:39,110 --> 00:14:36,690

we live the solar system in which we

301  
00:14:41,630 --> 00:14:39,120  
live now that is interesting because

302  
00:14:43,220 --> 00:14:41,640  
we're very curious people and where we

303  
00:14:45,470 --> 00:14:43,230  
live on one of the planets the solar

304  
00:14:47,270 --> 00:14:45,480  
system which has obviously evolved to

305  
00:14:50,030 --> 00:14:47,280  
where it is today and which is

306  
00:14:52,370 --> 00:14:50,040  
continuing to evolve it's very difficult

307  
00:14:54,950 --> 00:14:52,380  
when you're looking at something now to

308  
00:14:57,590 --> 00:14:54,960  
be able to accurately go back in time

309  
00:14:59,360 --> 00:14:57,600  
and or to go forward in time but by

310  
00:15:01,670 --> 00:14:59,370  
looking at a number of examples of

311  
00:15:03,920 --> 00:15:01,680  
things as they exist now in the solar

312  
00:15:06,080 --> 00:15:03,930  
system I think we have a better idea of

313  
00:15:07,910 --> 00:15:06,090

both how to look backward in time to the

314

00:15:10,310 --> 00:15:07,920

beginning and possibly how to look

315

00:15:16,160 --> 00:15:10,320

forward in time to how things will

316

00:15:18,770 --> 00:15:16,170

evolve now let's turn to the inner solar

317

00:15:24,980 --> 00:15:18,780

system to learn more about Venus from

318

00:15:27,230 --> 00:15:24,990

this 1982 report stop the Earth's

319

00:15:29,870 --> 00:15:27,240

rotation remove its friendly

320

00:15:32,960 --> 00:15:29,880

neighborhood moon push it just slightly

321

00:15:35,150 --> 00:15:32,970

closer to the Sun and scientists believe

322

00:15:38,750 --> 00:15:35,160

the earth would become like this planet

323

00:15:40,850 --> 00:15:38,760

Venus recent findings indicate that the

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00:15:43,790 --> 00:15:40,860

earth and Venus are identical in many

325

00:15:46,160 --> 00:15:43,800

ways at one point in Venus history it

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00:15:48,440 --> 00:15:46,170

might even if at oceans similar to ours

327

00:15:50,420 --> 00:15:48,450

these are some of the new discoveries

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00:15:52,790 --> 00:15:50,430

resulting from an International Venus

329

00:15:54,380 --> 00:15:52,800

science conference many of the new

330

00:15:56,960 --> 00:15:54,390

findings have come from the several

331

00:15:59,510 --> 00:15:56,970

pioneer Venus spacecraft sent there by

332

00:16:02,720 --> 00:15:59,520

NASA to study the cloud shrouded planet

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00:16:04,940 --> 00:16:02,730

at close range know that Venus has got

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00:16:06,620 --> 00:16:04,950

dense sulfuric acid clouds that would

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00:16:09,050 --> 00:16:06,630

seem to us to be something like a smog

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00:16:11,000 --> 00:16:09,060

or a heavy fog which would burn your

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00:16:13,220 --> 00:16:11,010

skin if you were exposed to these clouds

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00:16:15,530 --> 00:16:13,230

the bottom of the clouds is about 30

339

00:16:16,879 --> 00:16:15,540

miles above the surface and below that

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00:16:19,309 --> 00:16:16,889

the atmosphere is

341

00:16:20,629 --> 00:16:19,319

you can see for great distances as you

342

00:16:23,030 --> 00:16:20,639

go deeper and deeper into the atmosphere

343

00:16:24,979 --> 00:16:23,040

it gets hotter and hotter and eventually

344

00:16:27,439 --> 00:16:24,989

when you get to the surface it's about

345

00:16:29,629 --> 00:16:27,449

800 degrees Fahrenheit uns like being

346

00:16:31,639 --> 00:16:29,639

inside of a self-cleaning oven the

347

00:16:34,009 --> 00:16:31,649

temperatures are so hot that it would

348

00:16:36,049 --> 00:16:34,019

kill anyone who was exposed to them and

349

00:16:38,030 --> 00:16:36,059

the pressures are equivalent to being

350

00:16:40,400 --> 00:16:38,040

3,000 feet deep in the ocean so the

351

00:16:42,470 --> 00:16:40,410

pressures would be crushing the light

352

00:16:44,629 --> 00:16:42,480

levels are so dim at the surface during

353

00:16:46,849 --> 00:16:44,639

the day that it's sort of like the

354

00:16:51,379 --> 00:16:46,859

cloudiest day that we ever experience on

355

00:16:54,679 --> 00:16:51,389

the earth so it's a dim hot crushing

356

00:16:56,749 --> 00:16:54,689

place during the early years of the

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00:16:58,759 --> 00:16:56,759

solar system's history conditions may

358

00:17:01,309 --> 00:16:58,769

have been right for life to exist on

359

00:17:03,439 --> 00:17:01,319

Venus one of the key elements was water

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00:17:06,620 --> 00:17:03,449

according to geologist dr. Harold

361

00:17:09,980 --> 00:17:06,630

Mazursky well we think that there was a

362

00:17:12,590 --> 00:17:09,990

lot of water in Venus like there is on

363

00:17:14,779 --> 00:17:12,600

the earth but it's not there now it's

364

00:17:18,110 --> 00:17:14,789

way too hot there's water vapor in the

365

00:17:20,149 --> 00:17:18,120

atmosphere so the big question is early

366

00:17:22,909 --> 00:17:20,159

in its history did it have condensed

367

00:17:25,159 --> 00:17:22,919

water on the surface and we can look for

368

00:17:27,169 --> 00:17:25,169

that in high-resolution radar pictures

369

00:17:30,860 --> 00:17:27,179

and the way we do it is you look for

370

00:17:32,690 --> 00:17:30,870

shorelines because there are dried lakes

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00:17:34,370 --> 00:17:32,700

now in the western United States that

372

00:17:36,350 --> 00:17:34,380

were full of water during the Ice Age

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00:17:39,080 --> 00:17:36,360

and we can see that evidence clearly

374

00:17:41,060 --> 00:17:39,090

there are short bars that were made when

375

00:17:43,430 --> 00:17:41,070

there was water so we can look for those

376

00:17:45,740 --> 00:17:43,440

kinds of things that may have been there

377

00:17:47,779 --> 00:17:45,750

in the past on Venus surface we were

378

00:17:49,610 --> 00:17:47,789

utterly surprised on Mars by

379

00:17:51,769 --> 00:17:49,620

understanding that the history was

380

00:17:54,560 --> 00:17:51,779

different early and the same thing is

381

00:17:56,690 --> 00:17:54,570

true the earth so it would be strange if

382

00:17:58,149 --> 00:17:56,700

Venus had always been the same as it is

383

00:18:02,389 --> 00:17:58,159

now

384

00:18:04,610 --> 00:18:02,399

lightning active volcanoes upside-down

385

00:18:08,480 --> 00:18:04,620

clouds that caused a drizzle of sulfuric

386

00:18:10,399 --> 00:18:08,490

acid and a super hot surface slowly but

387

00:18:12,529 --> 00:18:10,409

surely Venus is giving up some of its

388

00:18:14,629 --> 00:18:12,539

secrets new information that will help

389

00:18:19,490 --> 00:18:14,639

us better understand our own planet both

390

00:18:22,070 --> 00:18:19,500

past and future by May 1983 when the

391

00:18:24,200 --> 00:18:22,080

next clip was released the Pioneer 10

392

00:18:26,419 --> 00:18:24,210

spacecraft was about to become the first

393

00:18:31,730 --> 00:18:26,429

man-made object to leave the solar

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00:18:38,789 --> 00:18:36,060

launched in 1972 NASA's pioneer 10

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00:18:41,039 --> 00:18:38,799

spacecraft has accomplished many firsts

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00:18:43,950 --> 00:18:41,049

over the course of its 11 years Space

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00:18:46,529 --> 00:18:43,960

Odyssey 1 was a successful passage

398

00:18:48,269 --> 00:18:46,539

through the rocky asteroid belt a feat

399

00:18:50,580 --> 00:18:48,279

which greatly alleviated the fears of

400

00:18:53,639 --> 00:18:50,590

scientists concerned about damage too

401  
00:18:55,049 --> 00:18:53,649  
far traveling spacecraft having safely

402  
00:18:57,720 --> 00:18:55,059  
journeyed the some two and a half

403  
00:18:59,220 --> 00:18:57,730  
billion miles to Jupiter pioneer 10

404  
00:19:02,190 --> 00:18:59,230  
transmitted valuable scientific

405  
00:19:03,869 --> 00:19:02,200  
information back to earth information

406  
00:19:06,560 --> 00:19:03,879  
shedding new light on the composition

407  
00:19:11,039 --> 00:19:06,570  
and evolution of Jupiter and its moons

408  
00:19:13,590 --> 00:19:11,049  
On June 13th of this year pioneer 10

409  
00:19:16,110 --> 00:19:13,600  
will travel beyond all the known planets

410  
00:19:19,470 --> 00:19:16,120  
and become the first man-made object to

411  
00:19:21,539 --> 00:19:19,480  
leave the solar system as NASA's Deep

412  
00:19:23,730 --> 00:19:21,549  
Space Network continues to track the

413  
00:19:26,190 --> 00:19:23,740

spacecraft out to around five billion

414

00:19:28,110 --> 00:19:26,200

miles researchers hope to learn more

415

00:19:31,850 --> 00:19:28,120

about the boundary between the sun's

416

00:19:34,919 --> 00:19:31,860

atmosphere and true interstellar space

417

00:19:37,110 --> 00:19:34,929

pioneer 10 a spacecraft that has

418

00:19:40,080 --> 00:19:37,120

journeyed further than any other to the

419

00:19:43,680 --> 00:19:40,090

outer planets and now beyond our solar

420

00:19:45,889 --> 00:19:43,690

system a man-made object which will from

421

00:19:52,500 --> 00:19:45,899

a new vantage point in Whitman's words

422

00:19:58,830 --> 00:19:56,010

as pioneer ten is speeding out towards

423

00:20:01,350 --> 00:19:58,840

the stars astronomers are using radio

424

00:20:08,730 --> 00:20:01,360

telescopes to examine planets and stars

425

00:20:10,140 --> 00:20:08,740

as this 1983 report shows astronomers

426

00:20:13,320 --> 00:20:10,150

calculate that there are approximately

427

00:20:16,380 --> 00:20:13,330

100 billion other stars in the Milky Way

428

00:20:18,360 --> 00:20:16,390

an infinite number of these stars could

429

00:20:21,470 --> 00:20:18,370

conceivably have planets orbiting them

430

00:20:24,080 --> 00:20:21,480

possibly supporting some sort of life

431

00:20:26,210 --> 00:20:24,090

a scientific approach to the search for

432

00:20:28,430 --> 00:20:26,220

extraterrestrial intelligence has become

433

00:20:30,230 --> 00:20:28,440

possible in recent years thanks to the

434

00:20:33,020 --> 00:20:30,240

extraordinary development of new and

435

00:20:34,669 --> 00:20:33,030

more sophisticated instrumentation radio

436

00:20:36,380 --> 00:20:34,679

telescopes such as the Deep Space

437

00:20:39,230 --> 00:20:36,390

Network at NASA's Jet Propulsion

438

00:20:41,690 --> 00:20:39,240

Laboratory in California are being used

439

00:20:45,230 --> 00:20:41,700

by scientists as part of a five-year

440

00:20:48,380 --> 00:20:45,240

research program but the Big Ear on the

441

00:20:51,370 --> 00:20:48,390

universe is the Arecibo Observatory the

442

00:20:53,750 --> 00:20:51,380

world's largest radio radar telescope

443

00:20:55,820 --> 00:20:53,760

flying deep within the mountains of

444

00:20:57,830 --> 00:20:55,830

northern border Rico in a natural

445

00:21:00,530 --> 00:20:57,840

depression formed by the collapse of

446

00:21:02,840 --> 00:21:00,540

huge limestone caves the instruments

447

00:21:04,789 --> 00:21:02,850

collecting area is larger than all the

448

00:21:07,850 --> 00:21:04,799

combined collecting areas of all

449

00:21:09,950 --> 00:21:07,860

telescopes ever built as a radio

450

00:21:11,990 --> 00:21:09,960

receiver the 1,000 foot structure

451  
00:21:15,620 --> 00:21:12,000  
listens for signals coming from other

452  
00:21:17,810 --> 00:21:15,630  
stars in our galaxy as a radar the

453  
00:21:20,419 --> 00:21:17,820  
telescope sends out the strongest signal

454  
00:21:22,610 --> 00:21:20,429  
now leaving earth a signal which may be

455  
00:21:27,830 --> 00:21:22,620  
detected by similar instruments anywhere

456  
00:21:30,230 --> 00:21:27,840  
in our galaxy operated by Cornell

457  
00:21:32,240 --> 00:21:30,240  
University the observatory was initially

458  
00:21:35,000 --> 00:21:32,250  
conceived to study the composition of

459  
00:21:36,830 --> 00:21:35,010  
the Earth's upper atmosphere later NASA

460  
00:21:39,140 --> 00:21:36,840  
supported the installation of a large

461  
00:21:41,900 --> 00:21:39,150  
transmitter so it could be used to study

462  
00:21:44,210 --> 00:21:41,910  
other planets in our solar system the

463  
00:21:49,090 --> 00:21:44,220

surface roughness of Mars was examined

464

00:21:54,230 --> 00:21:51,320

high-resolution studies were also done

465

00:21:56,659 --> 00:21:54,240

on Venus director of the Arecibo

466

00:21:59,990 --> 00:21:56,669

telescope is dr. Don Campbell NASA

467

00:22:03,110 --> 00:22:00,000

realized the utility of the improved

468

00:22:04,850 --> 00:22:03,120

Arecibo telescope which would be

469

00:22:07,850 --> 00:22:04,860

powerful enough to study the surface of

470

00:22:09,770 --> 00:22:07,860

Venus it would also allow us to look

471

00:22:12,260 --> 00:22:09,780

more with more detail at the surface and

472

00:22:17,539 --> 00:22:12,270

mercury surfaces and Mars and laser

473

00:22:19,460 --> 00:22:17,549

altitudes to complement the photography

474

00:22:22,130 --> 00:22:19,470

that was done from the Viking orbiters

475

00:22:24,200 --> 00:22:22,140

and also to look at the outer planets

476

00:22:27,260 --> 00:22:24,210

the satellites of Jupiter the rings of

477

00:22:32,510 --> 00:22:27,270

Saturn and numerous asteroids and comets

478

00:22:34,880 --> 00:22:32,520

that might come by the very large

479

00:22:35,270 --> 00:22:34,890

collecting area captures radio waves

480

00:22:37,760 --> 00:22:35,280

come

481

00:22:39,950 --> 00:22:37,770

from stars and galaxies giving

482

00:22:42,590 --> 00:22:39,960

scientists a clue to the distribution of

483

00:22:45,080 --> 00:22:42,600

mass throughout the universe other

484

00:22:48,860 --> 00:22:45,090

interesting cosmic radio sources are

485

00:22:53,390 --> 00:22:48,870

pulsars dying stars which emit pulsating

486

00:22:54,860 --> 00:22:53,400

radio signals as they spin in space one

487

00:22:58,250 --> 00:22:54,870

of these fascinating stars was

488

00:23:00,950 --> 00:22:58,260

discovered at Arecibo in 1982 director

489

00:23:05,090 --> 00:23:00,960

of radio astronomy at Arecibo is dr.

490

00:23:06,670 --> 00:23:05,100

Mike Davis this new pulsar that has been

491

00:23:12,110 --> 00:23:06,680

discovered recently at the observatory

492

00:23:15,620 --> 00:23:12,120

is rotating 642 times per second that's

493

00:23:17,180 --> 00:23:15,630

more than 20 times as fast as the next

494

00:23:19,880 --> 00:23:17,190

fastest pulsar the one in the Crab

495

00:23:21,560 --> 00:23:19,890

Nebula and these neutron stars as

496

00:23:24,590 --> 00:23:21,570

they're called were predicted as long

497

00:23:27,410 --> 00:23:24,600

ago as 1934 but nobody knew that they

498

00:23:30,740 --> 00:23:27,420

would come with a rotating flashlight

499

00:23:33,650 --> 00:23:30,750

beacon like a lighthouse shining out to

500

00:23:35,860 --> 00:23:33,660

sea every time this beacon flashes past

501  
00:23:38,390 --> 00:23:35,870  
the observatory we pick up a pulse

502  
00:23:40,610 --> 00:23:38,400  
astronomers have also detected quasars

503  
00:23:42,890 --> 00:23:40,620  
emitting enormous quantities of radio

504  
00:23:45,140 --> 00:23:42,900  
energy which traveling at the speed of

505  
00:23:51,560 --> 00:23:45,150  
light have taken as long as 10 billion

506  
00:23:53,840 --> 00:23:51,570  
years to reach Earth Arecibo listening

507  
00:23:56,030 --> 00:23:53,850  
for signals from space in an attempt to

508  
00:24:01,160 --> 00:23:56,040  
solve some of the mysteries of our

509  
00:24:03,410 --> 00:24:01,170  
universe our final report shows how an

510  
00:24:06,590 --> 00:24:03,420  
international group of probes was to

511  
00:24:10,160 --> 00:24:06,600  
study comet Halley and how Voyager 2 was

512  
00:24:12,710 --> 00:24:10,170  
approaching the planet Uranus comet

513  
00:24:15,290 --> 00:24:12,720

Halley is making its regular 76 year

514

00:24:18,140 --> 00:24:15,300

pilgrimage around our Sun as it has been

515

00:24:19,790 --> 00:24:18,150

doing for countless centuries the comet

516

00:24:22,370 --> 00:24:19,800

is the target of study for five

517

00:24:23,780 --> 00:24:22,380

exploratory spacecraft from Europe Japan

518

00:24:26,330 --> 00:24:23,790

and the Soviet Union

519

00:24:29,180 --> 00:24:26,340

each whizzing by the giant snowball of

520

00:24:32,300 --> 00:24:29,190

ice gas and dust from different vantage

521

00:24:34,340 --> 00:24:32,310

points the European Space Agency's

522

00:24:36,590 --> 00:24:34,350

Giotto spacecraft will be the most

523

00:24:39,230 --> 00:24:36,600

daring probe by taking a flight path

524

00:24:41,870 --> 00:24:39,240

just 300 miles in front of the Comets

525

00:24:43,280 --> 00:24:41,880

head Giotto hopes to photograph the

526

00:24:46,260 --> 00:24:43,290

comet's nucleus

527

00:24:49,110 --> 00:24:46,270

two other highly instrumented Soviet

528

00:24:51,060 --> 00:24:49,120

spacecraft Vega 1 and Vega 2 are

529

00:24:53,520 --> 00:24:51,070

scheduled to fly by the comet at a

530

00:24:55,710 --> 00:24:53,530

distance of six thousand miles hoping

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00:24:59,280 --> 00:24:55,720

also to obtain images of the comet's

532

00:25:01,920 --> 00:24:59,290

nucleus lastly two japanese spacecraft

533

00:25:03,630 --> 00:25:01,930

studying halle our planet a which

534

00:25:06,240 --> 00:25:03,640

approaches the Sun would side of Halle

535

00:25:09,360 --> 00:25:06,250

at a distance of 120 thousand miles and

536

00:25:12,570 --> 00:25:09,370

Sakigake which will pass about 4 million

537

00:25:14,370 --> 00:25:12,580

miles from the comet in order to get the

538

00:25:16,380 --> 00:25:14,380

best use out of all the research being

539

00:25:19,200 --> 00:25:16,390

done on the comet the International

540

00:25:20,970 --> 00:25:19,210

Halle watch was organized thousands of

541

00:25:23,880 --> 00:25:20,980

scientists and amateur and professional

542

00:25:26,850 --> 00:25:23,890

astronomers from 47 different countries

543

00:25:29,400 --> 00:25:26,860

have joined forces the Halle encounter

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00:25:31,440 --> 00:25:29,410

is a once-in-a-lifetime chance to study

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00:25:35,520 --> 00:25:31,450

one of the most primitive objects in our

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00:25:37,050 --> 00:25:35,530

solar system a program dedicated to

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00:25:39,420 --> 00:25:37,060

visiting some of the planets in our

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00:25:41,940 --> 00:25:39,430

solar system with two unmanned probes

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00:25:45,510 --> 00:25:41,950

has had a history of success ever since

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00:25:47,970 --> 00:25:45,520

its beginning in 1977 Voyager 1 and

551  
00:25:50,880 --> 00:25:47,980  
Voyager 2 were both launched on their

552  
00:25:53,250 --> 00:25:50,890  
way to Jupiter and Saturn now having

553  
00:25:56,670 --> 00:25:53,260  
logged nearly 2 billion miles in space

554  
00:25:58,950 --> 00:25:56,680  
since 1977 Voyager 2 will point its

555  
00:26:01,520 --> 00:25:58,960  
sensors and TV cameras at a planet we

556  
00:26:04,110 --> 00:26:01,530  
have never seen up close Uranus

557  
00:26:06,210 --> 00:26:04,120  
Voyager project scientist dr. Edward

558  
00:26:08,970 --> 00:26:06,220  
stone NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory

559  
00:26:10,650 --> 00:26:08,980  
in Pasadena California well there are

560  
00:26:12,210 --> 00:26:10,660  
several unique things about Uranus first

561  
00:26:13,680 --> 00:26:12,220  
of all it's the most remote planet that

562  
00:26:16,290 --> 00:26:13,690  
we will we will have visited in the

563  
00:26:18,270 --> 00:26:16,300

Solar System it formed in a much colder

564

00:26:19,710 --> 00:26:18,280

region of the solar nebula and therefore

565

00:26:22,020 --> 00:26:19,720

is made of different materials than

566

00:26:23,790 --> 00:26:22,030

either Jupiter or Saturn so we will be

567

00:26:26,070 --> 00:26:23,800

studying the different properties of

568

00:26:27,720 --> 00:26:26,080

Uranus and its satellites the other

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00:26:29,310 --> 00:26:27,730

interesting thing about Uranus is that

570

00:26:31,320 --> 00:26:29,320

it's tipped over on its side with its

571

00:26:33,210 --> 00:26:31,330

spin axis at this time basically

572

00:26:34,530 --> 00:26:33,220

pointing at the Sun so it's it has a

573

00:26:36,159 --> 00:26:34,540

much different orientation with respect

574

00:26:38,229 --> 00:26:36,169

to the Sun

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00:26:40,840 --> 00:26:38,239

many questions will be answered during

576  
00:26:43,149 --> 00:26:40,850  
the encounter before the tiny one-ton

577  
00:26:45,159 --> 00:26:43,159  
spacecraft ventures even further into

578  
00:26:49,389 --> 00:26:45,169  
our solar system to visit the eighth

579  
00:26:52,019 --> 00:26:49,399  
planet from the Sun Neptune Voyager to

580  
00:26:56,019 --> 00:26:52,029  
successfully examine Uranus in early

581  
00:26:58,960 --> 00:26:56,029  
1986 comet Halley was also studied by an

582  
00:27:01,359 --> 00:26:58,970  
armada of spacecraft during an X program

583  
00:27:04,060 --> 00:27:01,369  
we'll see comet Halley and Uranus

584  
00:27:06,849 --> 00:27:04,070  
results that's all we have for this

585  
00:27:09,340 --> 00:27:06,859  
edition of NASA images but before we go

586  
00:27:11,619 --> 00:27:09,350  
let me remind you that you're cordially

587  
00:27:13,690 --> 00:27:11,629  
invited to see the displays at the

588  
00:27:16,090 --> 00:27:13,700

visitor center here at the NASA Lewis

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00:27:17,919 --> 00:27:16,100

Research Center we're located near the

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00:27:21,279 --> 00:27:17,929

Hopkins International Airport in

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00:27:23,440 --> 00:27:21,289

Cleveland admission is free until next