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NATIONAL ASTRONOMY WEEK 2024 OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES  
ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

The University of the Philippines Astronomical Society (UP AstroSoc) will be organizing the National Astronomy Week (NAW) on February 24, 2024, at the University of the Philippines, Diliman, Quezon City.

NAW is an annual celebration of astronomy every third week of February. Every year, the UP AstroSoc launches activities that showcase both the field of astronomy and the organization itself. The activities aim to promote astronomy and space education in secondary schools across the Philippines.

For this year, NAW will be celebrated through a hybrid setup with the following main events:

Event	Date	Objective
Big Bang: Astronomical Quiz Show	February 24, 2024	An astronomical quiz show aimed to showcase the knowledge of secondary level students about astronomy and promote greater interest and appreciation of the significance of astronomy on the cultural and societal evolution of humankind.
Take-Off: Water-Rocket-Making Competition		A water-rocket-making competition aimed to nourish ingenuity and creativity among students. This competition also commemorates the great help of rockets to launch the most important astronomical observation instruments such as space probes, space telescopes and astronauts.
Orionids: Online Astronomical Trivia Quiz Game	February 21–23, 2024	Orionids is an online trivia quiz game held on the organization's Facebook page designed to gauge and test the public's general astronomical knowledge and provide interesting information about the cosmos beyond our planet.
Parallax: Teachers' Webinar Workshop	February 17, 2024	A webinar workshop aimed to enable educators to acquire a new understanding of astronomy and advanced instructional skills, while promoting the importance of fostering curiosity, imagination, a sense of exploration, and shared discovery in society.*
Cosmic Clicks: Astrophotography Contest	February 1–15, 2024	An astrophotography contest aimed to celebrate the work of amateur and professional astronomy photographers alike.

NAW's official handbook may be accessed through the link:  
<http://tinyurl.com/UPAstroSocNAW2024HandbookVer2>.

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