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MEDIA ADVISORY: SCIENCE ON A SPHERE UNVEILING AT NASA WALLOPS VISITOR CENTER

WALLOPS ISLAND, VA -- Media representatives are invited to attend the unveiling of the new Science on a Sphere exhibit at the NASA Visitor Center at the Wallops Flight Facility on Thursday, February 26.

The Visitor Center will host local tourism and public officials from 10:30 a.m. to noon and educators in the region from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. The media are invited to attend either or both events.

An educational resource to help visualize Earth and space science, Science on a Sphere uses computers and video projectors to display images on a global display. For example, instead of projecting images of the Earth on a flat screen, the system projects images on a six-foot diameter sphere. Earth is seen in its natural state as if floating and spinning in the center of the room.

The informal presentations on February 26 are designed to introduce tourism, public officials and educators to this unique exhibit and to give a glimpse of various animated displays available to tourists and the local community.

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