



Arvin Gottlieb Planetarium 25th Anniversary Celebration

Press Release

The Arvin Gottlieb Planetarium and Union Station Kansas City are thrilled to announce an exciting weekend of events this November, celebrating the planetarium's 25th anniversary and a quarter-century of bringing the stars to KC! This event will take place on Friday, November 1st, and Saturday, November 2nd, and will feature a variety of performances and experiences only made possible by our recent major renovations and brand-new moveable seating system.

These events will kick off with a special extended showing of **Laser Taylor Swift**, featuring two additional songs from the vault. Following the laser show, we will be welcoming the triumphant return of Laser Lew, as he showcases his interactive laser art as well as his immersive film **Laser Visions**, which saw sold-out showings at Union Station back in March 2024.

Then, for the first time ever in a planetarium theater, a live aerial silk performance entitled **Confluence**, will dazzle guests with Voler Aerial Academy dancers and acrobats suspended high in the dome, flying through breathtaking visuals created live by some of Kansas City's premier visual artists, all set to an incredible score written and performed by acclaimed musician Calvin Arsenia.

To cap off both evenings, the planetarium floor will be cleared and opened for guests to experience two stunning DJ and VJ sets: **Cosmic Collage** hosted by DJ Eric Coomes on Friday and **Cinemaphonic- 1999** headlined by DJ Stevie Cruz on Saturday, with live and interactive 360 visuals provided by filmmaker Matte Glossy and KC Art Institute professor Cyan Meeks respectively. Both nights will also feature a cashless bar for guests to enjoy responsibly.

And for those seeking a different experience, on Saturday morning, tickets will be available for the planetarium's first-ever session of **Yoga Under the Stars!** Instructor Kristin Rea will lead a 1-hour beginner-friendly adult workshop, with a relaxing backdrop of calming and meditative visuals from our planetarium team projected on the 60-foot dome.

We're excited to offer these unique and ephemeral experiences, all curated and co-produced in partnership with local digital art studio and curator Digital Dreams KC. Tickets are very limited, so you won't want to miss this unforgettable experience, celebrating an amazing milestone for the Arvin Gottlieb Planetarium!

Please note: due to guest safety, no late entry will be allowed for all showings except for both late-night DJ/VJ sets. Tickets available at <https://bit.ly/GottliebPlanetarium>. Full schedule below:

Friday, November 1st

6:00pm - Laser Taylor Swift XL
7:00pm - Laser Visions
8:30pm - Confluence
10:00pm - Cosmic Collage

Saturday, November 2nd

9:30am - Yoga Under the Stars
6:00pm - Laser Taylor Swift XL
7:00pm - Laser Visions
8:30pm - Confluence
10:00pm - Cinemaphonic- 1999