

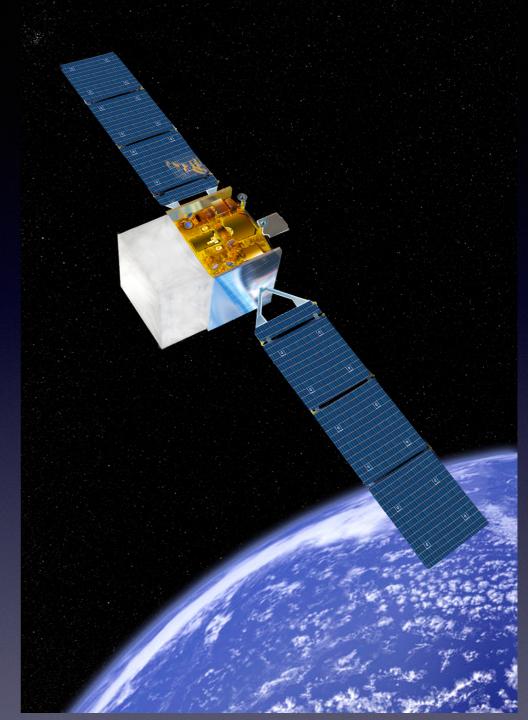


# Celebrating 10 years of Fermi

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Fermi-LAT Collaboration Meeting
15 March 2018
Pisa, Italy



Launch Anniversary June 11, 2018



Anniversary for Start of Science Operations August 4, 2018

## Fermi@10 Artwork





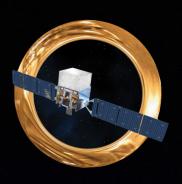






Celebrating 10 Years of Fermi June 11, 2018

## Social Media



- Several parallel initiatives on-going:
  - On This Day posts (#OTD)
  - Fermi Fridays
  - Science Brackets
  - "Happy Birthday Fermi" video
  - Send-a-thing / Get-a-thing birthday cards
- On twitter, use #Fermi10th hashtag
- @NASA retweets drive up visibility

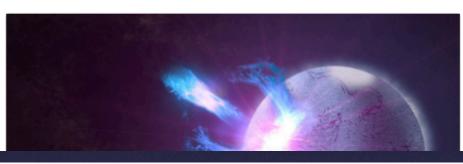
Twitter followers: 49k → 53k



#### NASAFermi @NASAFermi · Mar 5

On this day in 1979, a giant burst of gamma-ray emission was seen by a number of detectors on various satellites. The burst came from a magnetar, a neutron star with an extremely strong magnetic field, located in the Large Magellanic Cloud. go.nasa.gov/2Fe2Ezx

#### #OTD





#### NASAFermi @NASAFermi · Mar 2

It's #FermiFriday! During March we'll be talking about @NASAFermi observations of Active Galactic Nuclei, or AGN. These giant black holes at the centers of distant galaxies create gamma rays in powerful jets. Find out more about AGN at: qo.nasa.qov/2GWs4OK











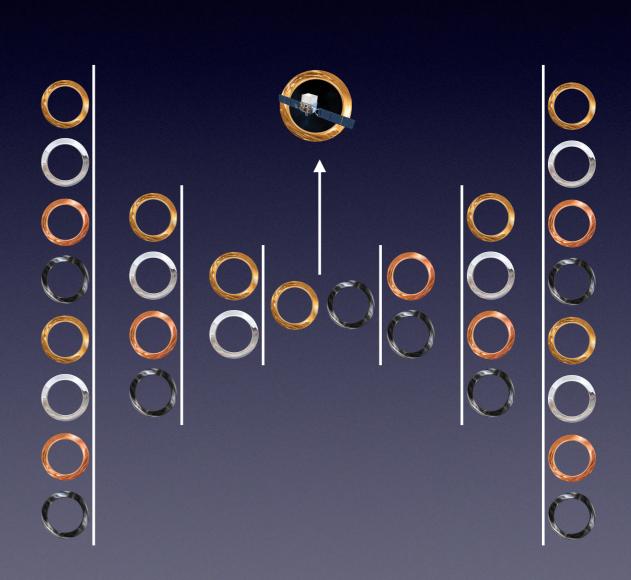
- Monthly Science Topics with a new post every Friday
  - Wk1 = Intro to the topic
  - Wk 2 = Behind the Scenes
  - Wk 3 = Tech Talk
  - Wk 4 = Art of the Sky
- Numerous guest authors
- 3 "Fermi XTtra" weeks
- Emphasizes the wide variety of Fermi science







- 'Contest' between 16 Fermi science topics
- Match-ups between topics with eliminations
- Public votes for their favorite between each pair until only one is left
- Begins the week of the launch anniversary
- Ends with the anniversary of the start of science operations









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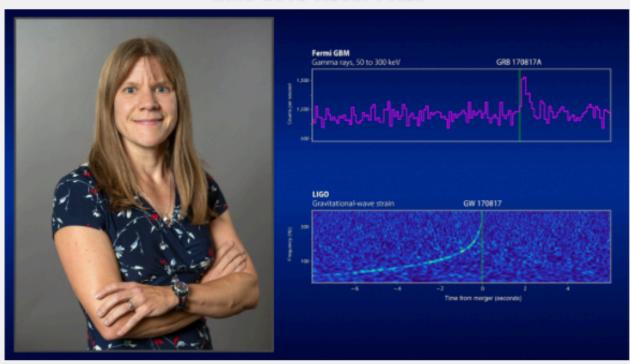
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### Fermi's Gamma-Ray Burst Monitor wins 2018 Rossi Prize



Congratulations to Dr. Colleen Wilson-Hodge and the Fermi Gamma-Ray Burst Monitor team! The High-Energy Astrophysics Division of the American Astronomical Society has awarded them the 2018 Rossi Prize for their discovery of gamma rays coincident with a neutron-star merger gravitational wave event, confirming that short gamma-ray bursts are produced by binary neutron-star mergers.

#### Latest News

#### Mar 09, 2018

#### Fermi Friday: Tech Talk

Scientists monitoring Active Galactic Nuclei need to know when one of them starts to flare. As an all-sky scanning instrument, Fermi is often the first to detect activity. Find out how the data gets to scientists quickly to allow for rapid multi-wavelength observations.

+ Read More

#### Mar 02, 2018

#### Fermi Friday: AGN Month!

What are Active Galacti Nuclei, and why are they so interesting to Fermi scientists? Find out more about these giant, powerful, and numerous gamma-ray objects.

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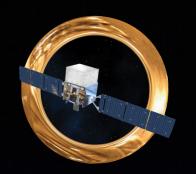
#### Feb 23, 2018

#### Fermi Friday: Art of the Sky

Animation students from the Maryland Institute College of Art found inspiration from Fermi pulsars. Take a look at the animations, as well as the science behind them. As a bonus, check out the Fermi Cake Committee's first cake!

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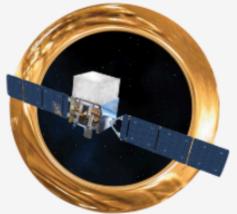
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#### June 11, 2018 is Fermi's Tenth Launch Anniversary



#### Welcome to a Fermi's 10th year!

We'll be celebrating throughout 2018, sharing Fermi's influence on science, technology, and art. If you want to stay on top of all the Fermi fun, be sure to follow/friend NASAFermi on Facebook and Twitter!



Here are some of the great features you can look forward to:





Fermi Launch 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - June 11



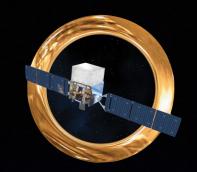
Fermi on Tumblr

Monthly posts introducing Fermi's topic for the month



Fermi Fridays Weekly posts discussing all things Fermi

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#### Fermi Fridays - February

#### Gamma-Ray Pulsars!

Feb 02



#### February is Pulsar Month! Introduction to Gamma-Ray Pulsars

Find out about these small, but powerful, objects. Discover why Fermi is great at finding more of them!

Feb 09



#### Fermi Talks Tech: How do scientists discover new Fermi pulsars?

Finding new gamma-ray pulsars is hard, especially because Fermi doesn't detect gamma rays from every pulse. Learn more about how scientists use home computers across the globe to solve this computational problem!

**Feb** 16



#### Behind The Scenes: Where are they now?

What happens after grad school? These students studied pulsars and used Fermi data to get their PhDs. Find out what they studied, and what kind of work they are doing today.

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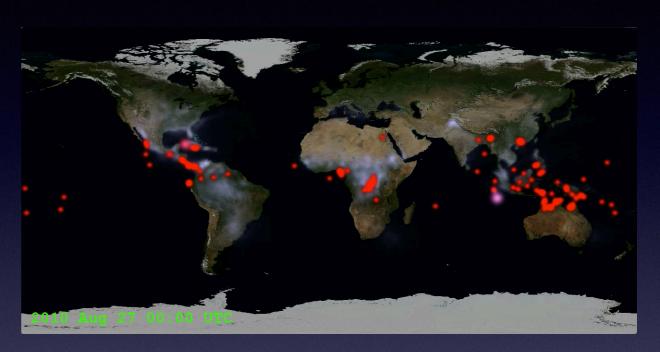
#### Art of the Sky: Pulsar science inspires art!

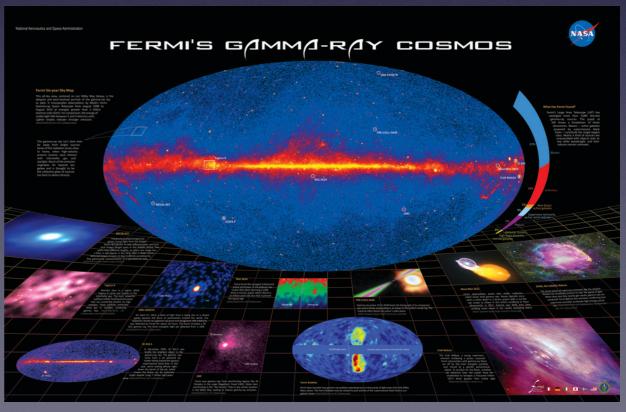
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## Visualizations

- Updating "Science on a Sphere" visuals for missionlong data sets (TGFs, GRBs, time-variable sky)
- Creating 'infographic' to explain Fermi to the public
- Developing new 10-year
   Fermi poster

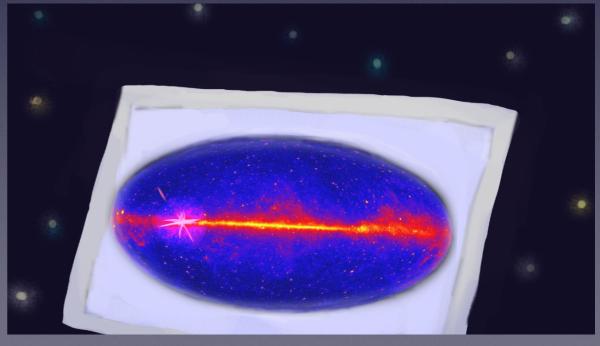




# MICAConnection

- Continue long-running partnership with Maryland Institute College of Art
- 'Fermi 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary' topic selected by a group of student animators
- Laurence Arcadias (MICA animation instructor) creating a 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary animation
- Some animations will be 'planetarium-ready"









- Various groups arranging events to celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- Please let Julie McEnery & Dave Thompson know if you're planning one!
- Examples:
  - Torino's 'That's A'Mole' contest includes a 'Fermitutti' prize for artwork associated with Fermi's 10<sup>th</sup>
  - AwesomeCon Fermi 10<sup>th</sup> panel
  - US Science & Engineering Festival Fermi booth
  - 8th Fermi Symposium & additional events

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Join the Celebration!