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Astronomy Fans, YOU are invited to a FREE Lecture

Phoenix, AZ: [The Phoenix Astronomical Society](#) is proud to announce the upcoming lecture on January 4th 2024 at 7:00 p.m. Mountain Standard Time by Matthew Ota.

Edward Emerson Barnard - 19th Century astronomer and The world's greatest observer and astrophotographer of his time

A seasoned amateur astronomer and experienced telescope operator, Matthew Ota's experience spans over two decades in astronomy outreach, including a notable tenure as a telescope operator at Mount Wilson Observatory and as a lecturer for NASA's Cassini Huygens Program.

Matthew Ota presents an enlightening lecture on the legendary 19th-century astronomer Edward Emerson Barnard (1857-1923), a titan in the field of observational astronomy. Barnard is celebrated for his discovery of numerous comets, dark nebulae, and Amalthea, the fifth moon of Jupiter. His most famous achievement, the discovery of "Barnard's Star," showcases his extraordinary skill in astrophotography. This lecture will delve into Barnard's groundbreaking work and his lasting impact on the world of astronomy.

This lecture is part of PAS' monthly lecture series. Details of the event including location, additional information, as well as registration may be found at [PAS Event Calendar and Registration Site](#)

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