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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 Thursday, March 7th, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. Mountain Standard Time by Dr. James W. Head.

"What is next in The Chinese Lunar Exploration Program?" dives into the ambitious strides of China's space exploration, focusing on its rapid advancements and unique achievements.

Dr. James W. Head is the Louis and Elizabeth Scherck Distinguished Professor at Brown University, renowned for his role in selecting Apollo program landing sites and analyzing lunar samples. With a rich background in planetary geology and extensive involvement in international space missions, Dr. Head offers invaluable insights into the future of lunar and planetary exploration.

China has distinguished itself with groundbreaking missions, such as the deployment of the first lander and rover on the Moon's far side and the Chang'e 5 mission's successful lunar sample return. The upcoming Chang'e 6 mission, aimed at returning samples from the lunar far side, and the achievements of the Tianwen-1 Mars rover mission further underscore China's capabilities and aspirations in space exploration.

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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