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**MERIDIAN PROJECT PREMIERES MULTIMEDIA PERFORMANCE AND LECTURE SERIES  
INSPIRED BY ASTROPHYSICS AND COSMOLOGY**

Four performances at the Museum of Natural History and Planetarium at Roger Williams Park

**Mar. 25, 2014 / Providence, RI** — Meridian Project is pleased to announce the premiere of *DARK MATTER*, a multimedia performance exploring cutting edge research in dark matter detection. Dr. Jeremy Chapman, a recent graduate of Brown University's Particle Astrophysics Group, will discuss the latest developments in dark matter research in combination with new music written and performed by Joshua Lantzy, Jacob Richman, Jamie Topper, and Kirsten Volness, and new video/projections by Caroline Doherty and Jacob Richman complemented by the planetarium's Zeiss star projector. Performances take place April 25 and 26, 2014 at 2 pm and 7 pm (doors at 6:30 pm) at the Cormack Planetarium at the Museum of Natural History, Roger Williams Park, 1000 Elmwood Avenue, Providence, RI, and are suitable for ages 4 and up (children under age 4 are not permitted in the planetarium). Tickets are \$3 cash at the door and additional donations will be accepted in support of the artists; first come, first served.

The Meridian Project series will continue on May 24, 2014 with *COMETS & METEOR SHOWERS*, outdoors under the falling stars as the comet LINEAR passes Earth. Further details will be available at [www.meridian-project.com](http://www.meridian-project.com). These performances are made possible in part by a grant from the Rhode Island State Council on the Arts, through an appropriation by the Rhode Island General Assembly and a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts.

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**CALENDAR LISTING:**

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