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The Butterfly Nebula

NGC 6302 is about 4,000 light-years from earth in the constellation Scorpius. Its "wingspan" extends over three light-years, and the estimated surface temperature its central dying star is about 250,000 degrees C, exceptionally hot. Recorded by the Hubble Space Telescope, it shines brightly in ultraviolet light but is hidden from direct view by a dense torus of dust.

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Earth, then Saturn

NASA's Cassini spacecraft captured Saturn's rings and our planet Earth and Saturn in the same frame on July 10, 2013. Earth and Saturn, 884 million miles away, together appear as a bright blue dot above the calendar number 14. The dark side of Saturn, its bright rings, the main rings, the T ring, and the D and G rings are clearly visible.

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Astronaut Buzz Aldrin walks

on the Moon near the leg of the Lunar Module "Eagle" during the Apollo 11 moonwalk on July 21, 1969. Astronaut Neil A. Armstrong took this photograph with a 70mm Lunar surface camera at the Sea of Tranquility. Astronaut Michael Collins, command module pilot, remained with the Command and Service Module "Columbia" in lunar orbit.

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