



Mini-Grant Opportunity for Libraries, Museums & Ambassadors

NASA, SciStarter, and NASA Solar System Ambassadors invite libraries, museums, and Ambassadors nationwide to host **Do NASA Science LIVE!** satellite events. These interactive virtual and in-person programs introduce communities to NASA citizen science—no experience or special equipment required.

Each 60–120 minute virtual event features:

- A NASA citizen science project
- A live demonstration and Q&A with scientists
- Real-time participation in the project
- Printable take-aways from SciStarter

Local hosts (libraries/museums) will livestream the event and guide hands-on engagement using SciStarter's resources and instructions.

Mini-Grant Details

Twenty selected partners will receive \$500 to host a satellite event that streams a virtual **Do** NASA Science LIVE! session into their community.

SciStarter provides the virtual event, featured project, scientist(s), and marketing materials. Hosts provide the space, participants, and onsite facilitation. Hosts need an A/V setup (screen, audio, internet). Devices for attendees are encouraged..

Events take place **December 11, 2025 – April 29, 2026**, and April events contribute to the **2.5 Million Acts of Science** goal for Citizen Science Month, part of America 250's *America Gives* initiative.





No expertise is required—each event includes setup guidance and Q&A with the scientist.

Event Dates & Times (Choose any to livestream)

Thursday, December 11, 2025 – 3:30 PM PT / 6:30 PM ET

Wednesday, February 11, 2026 – 3:30 PM PT / 6:30 PM ET

Thursday, April 2, 2026 (Citizen Science Month – 2-hour events):

- 11:00 AM-1:00 PM PT / 2:00-4:00 PM ET
- 6:00–8:00 PM PT / 9:00–11:00 PM ET

Wednesday, April 29, 2026 (Citizen Science Month – 2-hour events):

- 3:00–5:00 PM PT / 6:00–8:00 PM ET
- 6:00–8:00 PM PT / 9:00–11:00 PM ET

What Participants Will Experience

Across the country, attendees will gather in libraries and museums to:

- -Learn about a NASA citizen science project
- -Participate together in real time
- -Ask questions directly to the scientist
- -Leave with resources to stay engaged through SciStarter and NASA

What SciStarter Provides to Hosts

- Planning & promotional toolkit (text, images, logos)
- Promotional support
- Downloadable activity files, posters, and signage
- Facilitator training webinars and instructions





How to Apply

Apply for a \$500 stipend by January 1, 2026 using this application link.

Benefits

\$500 stipend for materials, food, promotion, or supplies;

Access to planning webinars;

Professional development via NASA Solar System Ambassadors, SciStarter Ambassadors, or the Citizen & Community Science Library Network;

Connect your community directly with NASA science

Expectations

Host one or more in-person events (you provide space, WiFi, screen, and facilitation);

Complete the free Foundations of Citizen Science and SciStarter Ambassador trainings;

Watch a past Do NASA Science LIVE event;

Plan and promote your event (add it to SciStarter.org/add-event);

Report attendance and citizen science engagement;

For April events: report Acts of Science on CitizenScienceMonth.org and share at least one event photo with **#ActsofScience**

Learn more: https://pages.scistarter.org/nasa-live/