

# Astronomical Society of the Republic of China 2012 Scientific Assembly (ASROC2012)

National Taitung University (Taitung Campus), Taitung  
May 25 - 27, 2012

The Astronomical Society cordially invites you to participate in the 2012 Scientific Assembly of the Astronomical Society of the Republic of China (ASROC2012) to be held at National Taitung University on May 25 - 27, 2012. This is the annual event for all astronomers and astrophysicists in Taiwan to demonstrate their most recent discoveries and observations, to report their latest research results and to exchange ideas as well as to organize collaborations.

In this year's meeting, there will be the general assembly meeting, two plenary talks, scientific and educational sessions, as well as poster presentation. The plenary talks feature Dr. Michael Mumma, Director of the Goddard Center for Astrobiology at NASA Astrobiology Institute, on "Comet Taxonomy and Astrobiology", and Dr. Jesus Galindo Trejo, a senior research fellow at the Institute of Aesthetic Research at National Autonomous University of Mexico, on "Mayan Astronomy and 2012 Doomsday – the Prophecy of Maya". All contributions in the meeting, including oral talks and poster presentations, will be published in the Journal of Taipei Astronomical Museum. Best poster awards will also be granted.

In addition to the scientific agenda, the meeting will organize a group tour in the afternoon of May 26 (Sat). A conference banquet and a sky gazing event will later be held in the same evening. During the meeting, book and instrumentation exhibition are also expected.

The ASROC2012 website is online from 2012 February 24; a tentative schedule of the meeting and the registration information will be available. Given the remote location of the meeting, the organizing committee will help making group reservations for the round-trip train tickets between Taipei and Taitung. For those who would like to enjoy our service, please do complete the registration before the early registration deadline (March 23). People who register after 2012 March 23 will need to make their own travel arrangements. Participants with contributions should submit their abstracts online by April 27. A registration fee of NTD500 should be paid on site. (Registration fee will be waived for ASROC members with 2012 annual membership fee paid.) Banquet charge of NTD50 per person shall also be paid on site.

For more details and updated information (such as the poster format, lodging, group tour, and journal format), please visit the ASROC website at:

<http://www.asroc.org.tw/asroc2012/index.php> (in Chinese);

<http://www.asroc.org.tw/asroc2012/en/index.php> (in English).

## **Timeline:**

Online Registration Open: 2012 February 24

Early Registration Deadline: 2012 March 23

Abstract Submission Deadline: 2012 April 27

Online Registration Deadline: 2012 May 4

Meeting Program Online: 2012 early May

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