

**Window to the Universe:**

**How the Hubble Space Telescope Revolutionized the Study of Astronomy**

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# *Process Paper*

In all my years of participating in NHD, this topic is by far the most personal. Ever since I was a child, I have been fascinated by the night sky. That fascination culminated in 2019 when I built my own robotic star-tracker to photograph nebulae. Though my first images were nothing like Hubbles, they sparked an interest that has only grown in the past 3 years. When I heard about this year's theme, I began to research possible events that led to advancements in the field of photography. What I found was that the recent wave of innovation in camera technology that made hobbies such as amateur astrophotography possible could all be traced back to one event: the launch of the Hubble Space Telescope.

I conducted my research with two goals in mind. First, I wanted to track all photos, quotes, and data back to their primary source. While time-consuming, this led to greater diversity of sources and stronger evidence overall. One source in particular that helped guide my research was Robert Zimmerman's book *The Universe in a Mirror*, because it discussed Hubble's impact on the space program and the general public rather than just focusing on its scientific value. My second goal was to ensure that I incorporated many different perspectives to tell Hubble's story. To understand Hubble's impact on astronomy from an international perspective, I researched the European Space Agency and BBC. To understand Hubble's impact on global society, I examined international newspapers from Ireland, Canada, and Australia and interviewed a European astronomer.

In creating my exhibit, I decided that the most authentic way to convey Hubble's importance would be to build the telescope itself. When standing underneath the model

telescope's giant solar panels, it's hard not to appreciate the incredible history of scientists, engineers, and astronomers that helped make the telescope a reality. I used lightweight concrete form tubes to create the telescope's shell and corrugated plastic sheets for the solar panels. In order to ensure I was not sacrificing board space for aesthetics, I designed rotating solar panels so that I had plenty of room to display my research.

The Hubble Space Telescope shaped the world of astronomy we know today. Hubble led a frontier in technology and astronomical research methods that replaced a far-outdated system that had hindered scientific discovery for years. Hubble also brought new attention to the importance of astronomy and the benefits of research in all scientific fields in a way no observatory had before. Hubble became a model for how to operate an observatory that conducted groundbreaking research by incorporating the public, rather than shutting them out. Seeing the benefits offered by such a system, amateurs and the general public put pressure on existing private observatories to join one of several emerging "telescope networks." We would not have this advanced, collaborated network nor the capacity for research we have today without Hubble. Even after the telescope shuts down, its legacy will be felt for years to come.

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This personal interview with Dr. Kimble, the head of the NASA Hubble instrument team, was extremely helpful in shaping my section on Hubble's technological frontiers. Dr. Kimble answered many of my questions about the development of CCD technology, and even pointed me to several primary source documents that I was able to use on my project board. I used the information gathered in this interview to revise my CCD section and used Dr. Kimble's words for quotes in my media and on my project board.

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This documentary was used in my media to provide information on the aspirations of astronomers in the 1980's. This source was important to my research because it provides primary evidence of early public support for a space telescope.

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In order to fully understand the creation of the Hubble telescope, I researched the early history of the Goddard Space Flight Center, which is the facility from which Hubble was designed and operated. I used this documentary mainly to provide context for my project overall. This source is unique because it provides valuable historical information on the Center’s early projects and discusses its importance in NASA overall.

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This newspaper article discusses some of the improvements in research capabilities that will be made using the James Webb telescope. I used this source as a graphic for my media and to support my findings that Hubble benefited the future of space technology.

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This newspaper article was used in my impacts section to highlight one way Hubble has impacted society as a whole. This source was important to my research because it gives primary source evidence for how Hubble's CCD's have impacted medical science by streamlining breast cancer exams.

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After a successful interview with Mr. Dunham of NASA, I was put into contact with Dr. Sembach, the former director of the Space Telescope Science Institute (STScI). As the impact of STScI is a major focus of my project, this interview was invaluable in providing a unique perspective on the institute’s impact on the wider astronomical community. Having served in various areas of astronomy previously, Dr. Sembach also discussed the differences between ground-based and space-based observatories, and highlighted the Hubble model’s widespread adoption in recent years.

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I used this magazine cover on my project board to highlight media coverage of the Hubble telescope. This source shows how impactful Hubble's first images were.

Wiseman, Jennifer. Personal Interview. 5 Apr. 2023.

This personal interview with Dr. Wiseman, chief Hubble data scientist at NASA, was very helpful in highlighting Hubble's most important contributions to astronomy. She discussed the impact of Hubble's scientific discoveries on both the astronomical community and on the public, and discussed the advantages of having a publicly accessible data archive. I used Dr. Wiseman's remarks for context and quoted her on my project board.

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I used this source extensively both for information and quotes for my project board. This source is important because it is one of the only historical studies of Hubble created using NASA’s own archives and personnel, making it very historically reliable. In addition, though it bears the NASA logo, it was written by an independent historian, reducing the risk of bias in the book.

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This article was used to create my paragraph discussing Hubble's launch on my project board.

This source helped me better understand the function of Hubble's mirror and why its failure was such a setback.

Heath, Darrell. "The Hubble Space Telescope: 25 Years on the Cosmic Frontier." *University of Arkansas -Little Rock*, 29 April, 2015,

[www.ualr.edu/tv/2015/04/29/the-hubble-space-telescope-25-years-on-the-cosmic-frontier/](http://www.ualr.edu/tv/2015/04/29/the-hubble-space-telescope-25-years-on-the-cosmic-frontier/).

I used this article as background on the Hubble's telescope's history as a whole. This source helped me better understand Hubble's contributions to astronomy, as it discusses several major advances.

Hendry, Shealynn. "Amateur Telescope-Making: Popular Astronomy and the Great Depression." *The Galactic Gazette*, Wolbach Library, 24 Aug. 2022,

[www.wolba.ch/gazette/amateur-telescope-making-popular-astronomy-and-the-great-depression/](http://www.wolba.ch/gazette/amateur-telescope-making-popular-astronomy-and-the-great-depression/).

This article was used to further my understanding of the history of amateur astronomy, which allowed me to measure Hubble's impact in the field. This article was extremely helpful to me because it was one of very few sources I found that discuss developments in amateur astronomy in the early 1900s.

*Highlights of Hubble's Exploration of the Universe.* NASA.

This short book was provided to me by Deputy Director Jeletic at the Goddard Space Flight Center, and I used it to gain background knowledge on Hubble's scientific discoveries. This book was extremely helpful in helping me understand the complex processes surrounding ultraviolet imaging and spectroscopy, two subjects Hubble is famous for studying. This book usually comes in the form of an informational pamphlet given to guests at Goddard Space Flight Center, and thus has no official publisher or publishing date.

"The Hubble Achievement." *The New York Times*, 3 May 2002, p. A22.

This newspaper article was important to my research because it highlights the ongoing scientific and cultural benefits of the Hubble Space Telescope. I quoted this source on my project board to highlight a unique press perspective on Hubble's importance.

*Hubble: An Overview of the Space Telescope.* NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center,  
[www.nasa.gov/feature/hubble-an-overview-of-the-space-telescope](http://www.nasa.gov/feature/hubble-an-overview-of-the-space-telescope).

This book is used on my project board and media for images and quotes. This source is important because, in addition to providing a collection of high-quality photos for my board, it gives insight into Hubble's construction and the impact of its mirror flaw. This book usually comes in the form of an informational pamphlet given to guests at Goddard Space Flight Center, and thus has no official publisher or publishing date.



“Hubble - 15 Years of Discovery.” *European Space Agency, YouTube*, uploaded by HubbleWebbESA, 15 Apr. 2015, [www.youtu.be/XeZ3APhUT2Q](http://www.youtu.be/XeZ3APhUT2Q).

This documentary was used in my media as well as for quotes and context on my project board. There are several ways in which this source impacted my research, the most valuable being the discussion of international collaboration on Hubble from the point of view of European astronomers.

“Hubble’s Amazing Universe.” *BBC, YouTube*, uploaded by Universe, 10 May 2014  
[www.youtu.be/\\_856-7dY0z4](http://www.youtu.be/_856-7dY0z4).

This documentary was used in my project to better understand the impacts of some of Hubble’s scientific breakthroughs. This source was important to my research because it shares the story of Hubble through interviews with several prominent scientists and astronauts who worked on the project.

“Hubble’s Cosmic Journey.” *National Geographic, Disney Plus*, 2015.

This documentary by National Geographic served as an introduction to Hubble’s complex history. In addition, I used the source for quotes on my project board. This source helped me better understand the political climate surrounding Hubble.

Jones, Trevor. “Equatorial Mounts.” *AstroBackyard*, 2022,  
[www.astrobackyard.com/equatorial-telescope-mount/](http://www.astrobackyard.com/equatorial-telescope-mount/).

I used this photo on my board in my “Impact on Astronomy” section. This source helped me better understand how amateur astronomers have benefitted from CCD cameras.

Julio, Michael. *Technological Revolution in Astronomy*. 2015. City University of New York, master's dissertation,

[www.academicworks.cuny.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1578&context=gc\\_etds](http://www.academicworks.cuny.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1578&context=gc_etds).

I used this source for background and for quotes on my board. This source was important because it related the technological achievements of Hubble to other telescopes.

“JWST in Space.” *ESA Hubble*, 2019,

[www.esahubble.org/images/jwst\\_in\\_space-cc/](http://www.esahubble.org/images/jwst_in_space-cc/).

I used this photo in my Significance in History section to give an example of future projects. This source helped me better understand the impact Hubble had on the future of the space program.

Kessler, Elizabeth A. *Picturing the Cosmos: Hubble Space Telescope Images and the Astronomical Sublime*. University of Minnesota Press, 2012.

I used this source to provide context on the development of CCD cameras. This source helped me better understand Hubble's impact on popular culture.

Koren, Marina. “Our Millennial Space Telescope Hasn't Burned Out Yet” *The Atlantic*, 25 Feb. 2022,

[www.theatlantic.com/science/archive/2022/02/hubble-space-telescope-age/622877/](http://www.theatlantic.com/science/archive/2022/02/hubble-space-telescope-age/622877/)

This article was used to help build my argument for Hubble's significance in history. This source helped me understand Hubble's unique scientific capabilities and why the telescope is still needed today.

LaMarco, Kelly. "Telescopes: Our Eyes On The Universe." *Exploratorium: Origins*,

[www.exploratorium.edu/origins/hubble/tools/before.html](http://www.exploratorium.edu/origins/hubble/tools/before.html)

I used this source to expand my knowledge on the history of telescopes before Hubble. This source is important to my research because it discusses every major innovation in telescope technology starting with the very first telescope designed in 1610, and provided context for me to include in my exhibit.

Lattis, James. "Observations: The World's First Space Telescope." *Scientific American*, 7 Dec. 2018,

[www.blogs.scientificamerican.com/observations/the-worlds-first-space-telescope/](http://www.blogs.scientificamerican.com/observations/the-worlds-first-space-telescope/)

I used this source mainly to understand NASA's work in developing space observatories. This source was vitally important to the context section of my project board because it helped me understand the scientific motivations that led to the development of Hubble.

"Locations of the EHT Telescopes." *European Southern Observatory*, 2019,

[www.eso.org/public/images/eso1907p/](http://www.eso.org/public/images/eso1907p/).

I used his photo in my "Significance in History" section. This source helped me better understand modern examples of astronomer collaboration.

Meyer, Eileen. "Old Data, New Science." *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, 2 Jun. 2018, p.C2.

This newspaper article was used in my "Impacts on Astronomy" section to highlight the long-term impact of the Hubble Archive. This source is important to my research because it reflects the claims made in my argument while giving the unique perspective of an amateur astronomer.

*NASAfacts: Hubble Space Telescope*. Goddard Space Flight Center, NASA, 2020.

This collection of Hubble mission documentation articles was provided to me by Deputy Director Jeletic at the Goddard Space Flight Center, and I used these documents for background information, as well as for images and quotes on my project board. This source was useful in my research because it provided technical details on specific Hubble equipment that I used in my “Frontiers in Technology” section of my board.

National Research Council. *Assessment of Options for Extending the Life of*

*The Hubble Space Telescope: Final Report*. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press, 2005.

[www.doi.org/10.17226/11169](http://www.doi.org/10.17226/11169).

This source provided background on Hubble’s servicing missions. This source helped me better understand how Hubble has benefitted researchers.

“Nasa’s Incredible Discovery Machine.” *YouTube*, uploaded by NASA Goddard, 2020,

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lo43Gq\\_Xe1M](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lo43Gq_Xe1M).

I used this video for background information on Hubble. This source helped me better understand the risks involved with launching Hubble and the benefits of its discoveries.

Panagia, N. “From the Hubble Telescope to the James WEBB Space Telescope.” *Space Telescope Science Institute*, 2005,

[www.adsabs.harvard.edu/pdf/2005foap.conf..685P](http://www.adsabs.harvard.edu/pdf/2005foap.conf..685P).

I used this document to understand the connection between Hubble and the new James Webb Telescope. This source was important because it detailed the servicing missions completed for Hubble as well as how the telescope will eventually fail.

Reddy, Francis. "NASA's First Stellar Observatory, OAO 2, Turns 50." *NASA*, 11 Dec. 2018,  
[www.nasa.gov/feature/goddard/2018/nasa-s-first-stellar-observatory-oao-2-turns-50/](http://www.nasa.gov/feature/goddard/2018/nasa-s-first-stellar-observatory-oao-2-turns-50/)

This source provided context on the early history of NASA observatories and their importance.

This source is important because it not only contains helpful details on the development of OAO 2, but because it included several useful photos and videos as well.

"Seeing with Hubble-Vision." *European Space Agency*, Bulletin 142, May 2010,

[www.sci.esa.int/documents/34247/36339/1567258233965-Hubble\\_article\\_Bulletin\\_142.pdf](http://www.sci.esa.int/documents/34247/36339/1567258233965-Hubble_article_Bulletin_142.pdf).

This article provided information on Hubble's international impact through the testimonies of past STScI employees. This source was helpful in providing biographical information about one of my interviewees Dr. Helmut Jenkner, while also serving as a great primary source collection of quotes.

Smith, Robert. "The Telescope." *Encyclopedia of the History of Science*, Carnegie Mellon University,  
[www.ethos.lps.library.cmu.edu/article/id/480/](http://www.ethos.lps.library.cmu.edu/article/id/480/).

This article was used for quotes and photos on my project board. This source was important to my research because it provided in-depth information on the innovation of telescopes, which enabled me to put the topic of my project into its historical context.

Strolger, Lou. "Doling Out Hubble Time with Dual-Anonymous Evaluation." *Physics Today*, 1 Mar 2019,  
[www.physicstoday.scitation.org/doi/10.1063/pt.6.3.20190301a/full/](http://www.physicstoday.scitation.org/doi/10.1063/pt.6.3.20190301a/full/).

This journal article was used in my impacts section to give an example of one way Hubble has impacted society. This source is important to my research because it demonstrates that Hubble has had a long-term impact on the future of astronomy.

Villard, Ray. "The Hubble Space Telescope Observing Program." *Space Telescope Science Institute*, NASA, 17 Sept. 2008,

[www.nasa.gov/mission\\_pages/hubble/servicing/series/How\\_science\\_is\\_done.html](http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/hubble/servicing/series/How_science_is_done.html).

I used this source for quotes on my project board. This source was very helpful in that it detailed the process for applying for observing time on the telescope and highlights the benefits of the space telescope as compared to a ground-based system.

Vogel, Tracy. "Edwin Hubble." *NASA*, 12 May 2021,

[www.nasa.gov/content/about-story-edwin-hubble](http://www.nasa.gov/content/about-story-edwin-hubble).

I used this source to provide context on the Hubble telescope's namesake. This article helped me better understand Hubble's incredible contributions to astronomy as well as the reasons the space telescope was needed.

Wells, Sarah. "Searching Hubble's Archive for Hidden Gems" *Mercury Magazine*, vol. 49, no. 2, *Astronomical Society of the Pacific*, 2020,

[www.astrosociety.org/news-publications/mercury-online/mercury-online.html/article/2020/09/28/searching-hubble-s-archive-for-hidden-gems](http://www.astrosociety.org/news-publications/mercury-online/mercury-online.html/article/2020/09/28/searching-hubble-s-archive-for-hidden-gems)

This source was used in my research over Hubble's impact on amateur astronomy. It is crucially important to my research because it details Hubble's interaction with various types of astronomers and also pointed me to several resources including the Hubble Legacy Archive.

Zimmerman, Robert. *The Universe in a Mirror*, Princeton University Press, 14 Mar. 2010.

This book was crucial to my research because it helped me shape my initial research by giving an in-depth overview of Hubble as a whole. This source was used for background information and for quotes on my exhibit board.

