

SCIENCE CHANNEL FEBRUARY 2010 HIGHLIGHTS

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SPECIAL PROGRAMMING

PREDICTING MONSTER EARTHQUAKES North American Premiere Sunday, February 14 at 9 PM

Capable of ripping up roads, moving mountains and tearing down towns, earthquakes are the biggest force of natural destruction on the planet. Quakes a problem affecting parts of every continent and billions of dollars are being poured into research. And yet, remarkably, when earthquakes hit, they invariably take us by surprise. This special asks the question confounding geologists, seismologists, town planners, big businesses and ordinary people alike: how can we predict an earthquake?

ALIENS OF THE DEEP U.S. Premiere Wednesday, February 17 at 8 PM

A soft boneless body, two enormous eyes that take up a quarter of its body weight, eight tentacles, and a brain and intestines in a single pouch... one carnivorous predator that can grow up to five meters long, change shape and color at will to disappear into the background, solve complex problems with a formidable intelligence, walk on land and sea, and cross through fire. Sound like your worst outer space alien nightmare? Think again! This alien-like creature – the OCTOPUS – has lived side-by-side with mankind from the beginning, and only now are we beginning to unravel the extent of its astounding abilities.

ONGOING SERIES

SCI-FI SCIENCE: PHYSICS OF THE IMPOSSIBLE Series Airs Tuesdays at 10 PM [TV-G]

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Based on the New York Times best-selling book, "Physics of the Impossible," Dr. Michio Kaku takes viewers to the frontiers of science with an authoritative exploration of the world of phasers, force fields, teleportation, time travel and more. He investigates the

physics behind some of science fiction's wildest offerings and concludes that many of the technologies once thought impossible may actually be inevitable.

Tuesday, February 9	How to Build a Fying Saucer
10 PM	For decades scientists have tried to copy the unique
World Premiere	capabilities of flying saucers. Now, Dr. Michio Kaku
[TV-G]	reveals how a flying saucer could become reality. He
	experiments with an ion lifter, and meets cosmologist
	Alan Guth who believes that out in deep space we may
	one day find exotic monopole magnets.
Tuesday, February 16	How to Build a Force Field
10 PM	Every starship needs a force field – the ultimate
World Premiere	protection against asteroids, space debris and enemy
[TV-G]	attack. Dr. Kaku reveals how to build a real life deflector
	shield using components from cutting-edge experiments
	and theoretical physics. At Boston's Museum of Science,
	Kaku demonstrates the power of lightning while standing
	in a giant Faraday cage. At Columbia University he fires
	up a stellarator to show how magnetic fields can control
	plasma.

METEORITE MEN World Premiere

Series Airs Wednesdays at 9 PM

In this thrilling new series that brings us closer to space than ever before, Geoff Notkin and Steve Arnold go on an adventurous journey hunting asteroid rocks. They share a passion for adventure, traveling to wild places, and hunting for extraterrestrial visitors from outer space. With three 4WD trucks, two ATVs, two giant metal detectors and an array of other hunting gadgets, the Meteorite Men cover hundreds of acres of ground. No area goes uncharted as they search in plowed fields, dense forests, rolling hillsides, abandoned farms, and unmarked dirt roads in the hunt for the valuable and mysterious space rocks.

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Wednesday, February 10	Episode Four
9 PM	Description TBA
World Premiere	
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Wednesday, February 17	Episode Five
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[TV-G]	
Wednesday, February 24	Episode Six
9 PM	Description TBA
World Premiere	

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MANTRACKER

U.S. Premiere

Series Airs Wednesdays at 10 PM

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Terry Grant is an expert, veteran outdoorsman trained to track and retrieve missing persons in the deep wilderness. Unflappable in any environment, Grant's mission in each episode of **MANTRACKER** is to track two contestants through rough country and capture them before they can reach the finish line. Trekking through deep woods, rugged rock face and rushing rivers, the contestants get a three kilometer head start and a compass, but must battle their surroundings, a 36 hour time limit and a proud Grant in order to avoid capture.

Rene and Dave
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Brothers and business partners Rene and Dave lead
Grant on a chase through treacherous land full of lakes
and woods. It's unknown terrain for Mantracker who
brings his considerable skills to the boreal forest.
Chelsea and Trev
Mantracker adjusts his tracking skills to suit the
California high desert of Mojave. He's up against
Chelsea, a volatile mix of smarts and instinct, and Trev,
an entrepreneur. Both hope their backcountry
experience and level headedness prevail.
Andrew and Hainsley
Andrew and Hainsley are fast-talking, city-slickers with
a love of sports, the outdoors and themselves! Will
they be an easy catch for Mantracker or escape his
clutches.
Brian and Julie
Siblings Brian and Julie have spent a lot of time
together and feel their unspoken communication will
help them to victory. They've got the outdoor
experience, but this is Mantracker's turf, and for Brian
and Julie it's entirely new territory.

HOW IT'S MADE Friday, January 8 at 9 PM [TV-G]

From holograms and fiber optics to chocolate and hockey sticks, viewers will learn how many of the everyday objects that we seldom stop to think about were created. In each episode of this series, viewers follow the objects from its parts to a finished object and see the factories that produce the products.

BIG, BIGGER, BIGGEST North American Premiere Series Airs Fridays at 10 PM

BIG, BIGGER, BIGGEST follows the evolutionary engineering leaps that enabled iconic structures to grow in size. Each episode tries to understand how these structures have grown so large and learn about the turning points that propelled the structure to explode in size and scale into the largest, heaviest and longest structures in the world. Viewers will see the largest structures of the kind, travel through history to see the smallest examples and along the way meet the characters who influenced the progress.

Friday, February 5	Spacecraft
10 PM	The International Space Station is the largest spacecraft
North American	ever built. This joint venture involving 16 countries
Premiere	represents the culmination of more than six decades of
[TV-G]	human ingenuity.
Friday, February 12	Dam
10 PM	Three Gorges Dam creates a power output of more than
North American	ten nuclear power stations. The Dam has the world's
Premiere	biggest ship lift that allows 30,000 ocean-going vessels
[TV-G]	per year to navigate this artery.
Friday, February 19	Oil Rig
10 PM	Hibernia Rig is the biggest oil platform in the world with
North American	concrete teeth that surround its base to absorb iceburg
Premiere	impact, and drills that can pump 150,000 barrels of crude
[TV-G]	oil per day.
Friday, February 19	Telescope
10 PM	The Large Binocular Telescope – located at an altitude of
North American	10,700 ft on the peak of Mount Graham in Arizona – is
Premiere	the world's highest resolution optical telescope, with
[TV-G]	mirrors the size of buses.

MARATHONS

72 HOURS OF HOW IT'S MADE MARATHON Friday, January 29 – Tuesday, February 2 from 8 PM – 2 AM

The favorite Science Channel series continues to explore the captivating story behind how everyday objects we seldom stop to think about become the items we value. In 72 hours worth of **HOW IT'S MADE** episodes, viewers will be amazed to see how many common objects are manufactured in high-tech factories around the world.