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# September sky watch

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## Venus at maximum brightness

On Monday, Sept. 18 before sunset look northeast-east at around 4 a.m. as Venus rises into the morning. If you follow closely, you can even see it in the daytime.

## **Moon near Saturn**

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Tuesday September 26<sup>th</sup> after sun set look SEE as the moon and Saturn rise for an all-night show.

## **Fall Equinox**

On Saturday, Sept. 23 at 12:46 a.m. the summer's officially over.

## **Zodiacal Light**

The Zodiacal Light is a faint, roughly triangular, whitish glow seen in the night sky extended up from the vicinity of the sun along the ecliptic or zodiac. It's difficult to find, but the best time is from Friday, Sept. 1 for two weeks in the east morning twilight.

## **Calendar**

For this month's events, check out this calendar and the YouTube channel Late Night Astronomy.

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