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As shown in this illustration, a Dyson sphere is a hypothetical megastructure that completely encompasses a star to capture most all of its power output. It has been theorized that advanced alien civilizations, after harnessing all the power of their own planet, would eventually utilize all the energy radiated by their sun.





BIO

David A. Aguilar is an internationally recognized astronomer and author of non-fiction books designed for space learners of all ages. His expertise lies in showing us the fascinating connections between the universe, nature, and ourselves. He shares a spirited ability to open minds to his exciting new views of space and all its wondrous worlds of discovery. From television appearances to publicizing the Hubble Space Telescope and NASA's New Horizons Missions, to authoring and illustrating award-winning space science books, he has shown a lifelong commitment to being on the leading edge of our knowledge about the universe. Accordingly, in 2010 Asteroid 1990DA was designated by the International Astronomical Union to honor his exceptional science education outreach efforts.

David is former Director of Science Information at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics in Cambridge, MA. He left Harvard in 2015 to join NASA's New Horizons Mission special media team on the historic **Pluto Flyby Mission**, and rejoined the New Horizons team in 2018-19 for the **Ultima Thule Flyby**, historically traveling to the furthest edge our solar system.

He is the Author and Space Artist of eight **National Geographic** and three **Random House** award-winning books including: *"7 Wonders of the Milky Way"*, a lively galactic journey through our home in the cosmos, followed by *"LUNA: The Science and Stories of Our Moon"* in time for the 50th anniversary of man's walk on the moon. He is an onscreen contributor and space artist for the **History Channel** *"UNIVERSE"* series, the **Science Channel** *"NASA's Unexplained Files"*, and **NHK** (Japanese National Television Corporation) *COSMIC FRONT* series, and a featured contributor in **"Chesley Bonestell: A Brush With The Future"** - an award-winning documentary about this renowned architect, space artist, and visionary.

He continues to travel as a Smithsonian Science Lecturer and Harvard World Tours Expert Study leader, and has crafted stellar astronomy experiences across the globe from Kazakhstan to Easter Island to Antarctica. For more, visit

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AWARD-WINNING BOOKS

A Sampling of Reviews

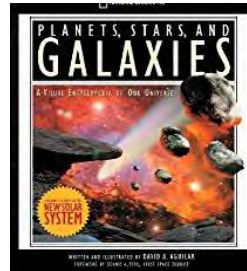
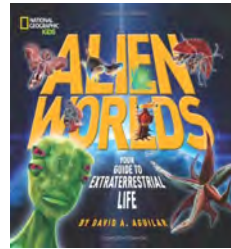
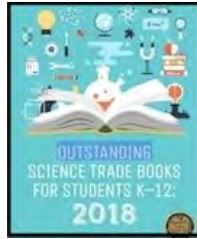
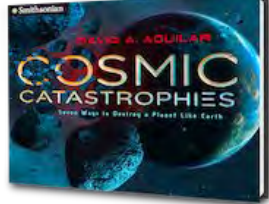
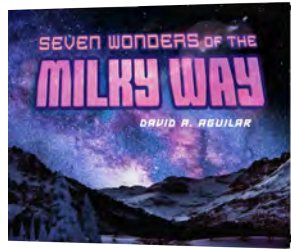
LUNA National Geographic Kids does it again with a fantastic and comprehensive look at Earth's only natural satellite. From its creation to myths and legends, to what the future holds for humans and the moon, Aguilar gives an in-depth profile of the moon's surface and descriptions of important locations explored by astronauts and satellites...**VERDICT** An excellent, extensive, and focused look at the moon, perfect for leisure reading or research."
-- *School Library Journal*

7 WONDERS OF THE SOLAR SYSTEM This top-notch information source often sounds like a travel brochure touting the wonders of the celestial worlds it describes. -- *Youth Services Book Review*. **AWARD** for *Outstanding Science Trade Books 2018*, *NYPL "Top Picks" for Kids & Teens 2019*, *Texas Topas Award*, *JLG*.

ALIEN WORLDS "Alien Space Scouts Wanted!" are the opening words. Aguilar lays out the mission - "use your science-based imagination to help investigate exoplanets!" Well, who could possibly resist that? --*Lynn Rutan, ALA Booklist Online*

13 PLANETS Incredible book and not just for science!!! This book has so much information. Aguilar clearly loves his subject, and is bubbling up with fascinating facts on each of the 8 planets and 5 dwarf planets now in the solar system. -- *Goodreads*. *A CA Eureka! Award Winner, Garden State Book Awards*.

KIDS BIG BOOK Wild space art designed and created by David Aguilar brings this highly informative book about the wonders of space alive.-- *NY Public Library*



FILM/MEDIA CREDITS

TELEVISION and RADIO CREDITS - see also **IMDB:** <http://www.imdb.com/name/nm7950342/>

2018-19, Space Artist and Onscreen Contributor on “Cosmic Front”, NHK Japanese National Television Corp.

2018 Onscreen Contributor, award-winning feature documentary “A Brush with the Future” based on the extraordinary life of Chesley Bonestell.

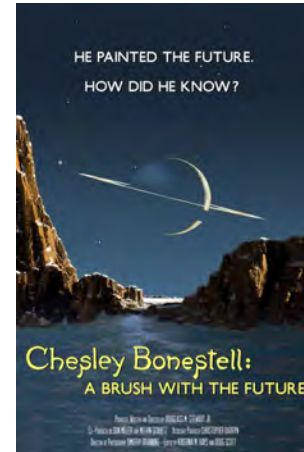
2015-2017 Frequent Onscreen Contributor and Content Development Science Channel's “NASA Unexplained Files”.

2015 Onscreen Contributor & Space Artist, History Channel's “UNIVERSE” series, episodes “Alien Faces” and “Alien Worlds.”

Radio credits include the BBC, and NPR's *Here and Now*. Full episode list available at: www.davidaguilar.org

SPACE ART CREDITS:

NASA/JPL, Smithsonian, BBC, History Channel, Weather Channel, ABC Nightly News, CBS, NBC, CNN, NY Times, USA Today, National Geographic, Sky & Telescope, Astronomy, Scientific American, Nature, Time magazine, US News & World Report, Space.com.



EDUCATOR'S GUIDE



PRESS & SPACE ART EXHIBITS

SAMPLING OF PRESS & PUBLICATIONS

JUNE/JULY 2019. **NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC KIDS MAG.** "Freaky Facts About the Moon"
<https://kids.nationalgeographic.com>

NOV. 2018. **ASPEN SOJOURNER MAG.** "A Q&A with Leading Astronomer David A. Aguilar "

JAN 2017. **BRIGHTLY by PENGUIN RANDOM HOUSE** (readbrightly.com) "Far Out! Author David A. Aguilar On Depicting Never-Before-Seen Outer Space Discoveries for Kids"

MARCH 2014. **SCIFI IDEAS** (scifiideas.com) "Creature Concepts from David Aguilar's ALIEN WORLDS"

MARCH 2014. **SMITHSONIAN MAGAZINE** <https://www.smithsonianmag.com> "What will Extraterrestrial Life look like?"

MARCH 2004. **HARVARD MAGAZINE** <https://www.harvard.edu> "A God's Eye View of Space"

& more to be found at USATODAY; NEW YORK TIMES; CNN; SKY & TELESCOPE, ASTRONOMY MAG.

SOLO SPACE ART EXHIBITIONS

BOSTON - GURARI COLLECTIONS

NASHVILLE - SUDEKUM PLANETARIUM

ST. PAUL - MACALESTER COLLEGE

ASPEN - THE ASPEN INSTITUTE &

CAMBRIDGE -

ASPEN - LIVASPENART GALLERY

HARVARD SMITHSONIAN CENTER FOR ASTROPHYSICS



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