

**Visiting professor of astronomy to present Bergren Forum**

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ALFRED, NY – Georgina Berestain-Kendall, visiting professor of astronomy at Alfred University, will give a presentation titled “SN Refsdal: The Supernova that Wouldn’t Go Away” at the March 21 Bergren Forum.

Berestain-Kendall will discuss the 2014 discovery of the first multiply-imaged, gravitationally lensed supernova in the field of the Galaxy cluster MACS J1149, and its subsequent predicted reappearance about a year later. Her talk will touch on general aspects of general relativity, cosmology, and stellar evolution.

The Bergren Forum, sponsored by the Division of Human Studies, is held at 12:10 p.m. each Thursday the University is in session in Nevins Theater, Powell Campus Center. It is open to the public and free of charge. Attendees may bring their lunches; coffee and tea are provided.