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Phantom of the Universe: A Planetarium Show about Dark Matter

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A new planetarium show about Dark Matter is entitled "Phantom of the Universe". Recently completed, it features the exciting story of dark matter, from galaxies to a deep underground experiment to the Large Hadron Collider. It is being distributed for free to planetariums worldwide. The show is a finalist at the annual international Full Dome Festival. The show is aimed at a wide range of audiences, from school children to curious adults - providing the general public access to a hot topic in the fundamental exploration of the universe. Fantastic new animations enhance the visual appeal of the show, while Academy Award winner Tilda Swinton provides narration, and an Academy Award winning team at Skywalker Sound provides stunning sound. Planetarium directors and audiences worldwide have given great praise to the show. The show is currently showing or scheduled at about 105 planetariums on all five continents. This talk will provide background on the development of the show, as well as provide highlights of the content.

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