

Planet-finding tweetup in California's Silicon Valley hosted by NASA

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NASA will give 100 of its Twitter followers an insider look at its planet-hunting Kepler spacecraft and the agency's Ames Research Center on Feb. 11 in Moffett Field in California.

For the first time, NASA's [Twitter](#) followers are being invited to Ames to learn about planetary discoveries from Kepler and the science flights of NASA's Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy (SOFIA) aircraft.

The Tweepers also will get behind-the-scenes access to NASA's research center in the heart of California's [Silicon Valley](#). Attendees will tour the center and speak with NASA officials, managers and scientists. The Tweetup will include a "meet and greet" session to allow participants to mingle with fellow Tweepers and the staff behind the tweets on @NASA and @NASA_Ames.

"This Tweetup will give participants and those who follow along online another look at the diverse ways NASA is pioneering the future in [space exploration](#), scientific discovery and aeronautics research," said Stephanie Schierholz, social media manager at NASA Headquarters in Washington.

Tweetup registration opens at 1 p.m. EST on Jan. 5 and closes at 1 p.m. on Jan. 10. [NASA](#) will accommodate 100 active Tweepers randomly selected from those who sign up online. Additional registrants will be placed on a waiting list. Those who cannot attend the Tweetup can

follow along via Web coverage, including tweets and live streaming.

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