

June lyrid meteor shower underway

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Although there's more than enough Moon to go around right now, while you're waiting on the eclipse, you just might want to see if you can spot a few stray meteors belonging to the June Lyrids. Thanks to John Chumack, we can enjoy a bit of what can be seen from Ohio last night...

No matter if you stayed up late or got up early to watch the central lunar [eclipse](#), right now is the time to catch the peak of the June Lyrids [meteor shower](#). Although it's not the most outstanding of displays and the Moon will make it even more difficult, it's still a chance for those wishing to log their meteor observations. Look for the radiant near bright Vega – you may see up to 15 faint blue [meteors](#) per hour from this branch of the May Lyrid meteor stream.

The peak time for meteor activity will occur on the night of June 15 through the morning of June 16th, but it's not uncommon for random activity to continue on for several days. Clouded out? Try the ionosphere and radio observing! You can do this at the same time as you watch eclipse broadcasts!

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