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Seminar Series

Tales of an Itinerant Telescope Builder

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Project Manager, Cornell Caltech Atacama Telescope



4pm, Wed., April 16, 2008

Auditorium of the Center for Imaging Science

Tales of an Itinerant Telescope Builder will look at interesting technologies, management successes (and failures), and trace the unlikely wanderings of a RIT Photographic Science and Instrumentation graduate in the course of a career in optics.

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Speaker Bio



A veteran Telescope Builder, **Thomas A. Sebring** is the Project Manager for the Cornell Caltech Atacama Telescope. He previously successfully managed the development of the Southern Astrophysical Research Telescope (SOAR) in Chile, and the Hobby Eberly Telescope (HET) in West Texas, and initiated development of the Discovery Channel Telescope. Prior to these Projects, he developed large optics, optical technologies, and lasers as a consultant to the US Government. His first job with Eastman Kodak involved the manufacture of large optics and development of optical fabrication technology as well as space optical systems. He has served as a consultant to many other large telescope projects around the world. In his spare time he and his wife Susan enjoy sailing, scuba diving, bicycling, canoe and kayak expeditions and climbing.

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