

# Dark Sky: Defending the Dark Film Screening, with Presentation & Night Sky Gazing

with Destin Heilman

June 15

7pm

at the library



*Refreshments  
will be served!*

Join us for a screening of Tara Roberts Zabriskie's 35-minute documentary film Defending the Dark which tells the story of protecting the largest dark sky area on the east coast in northern Maine. Dark sky conservation benefits wildlife and their habitats, reduces health and safety risks to humans, saves energy, and reduces costs. Following the film, Destin Heilman, amateur astronomer, will give a presentation on the harmful effects of high energy blue light from LEDs and there will be time for questions. If the weather permits, we will move outdoors and Destin will guide us in identifying some astronomical objects at twilight.



By day, Dr. Destin Heilman is a faculty member at the Worcester Polytechnic Institute in the department of Chemistry and Biochemistry where he teaches and conducts biochemistry research. By night, Dr. Heilman turns his attention to the stars as an amateur astronomer and accomplished astrophotographer. He is currently working with a group in Becket to craft a bylaw that would protect its treasured dark skies.

RSVP appreciated: [bit.ly/BA-dark-sky](https://bit.ly/BA-dark-sky)  
Masks optional.

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