

חדשות האגודה – אוקטובר 2021 The Israeli Society for Science Fiction and Fantasy

תל אביב: מועדון הקריאה יעסוק בספר "היפריזון" מאת דן סימונס (אפוס, 1999), ויתקיים ביום חמישי, 28.10, בשעה 19:30 מנחה: דיאנה ברון. הקישור יתפרסם בדרך האירוע בפייסבוק.

ירושלים: לפרטים על המפגשים של המועדון הקריאה ניתן להצטרף לקבוצת הפייסבוק: מועדון הקריאה הירושלמי של האגודה, או ליצור קשר במייל עם מרכזת המועדון בירושלים - גלי אחיטוב, ולהצטרף לקבוצת הוואטס'אפ של המועדון.

כל האירועים של האגודה מופיעים בלוח האירועים (שפע אירועים מעניינים, הרצאות, סדנאות, מפגשים ועוד) לקבלת עדכונים שוטפים על מפגשי מועדון הקריאה ברחבי הארץ ניתן להצטרף לרשימת התפוצה או בדף האגודה בפייסבוק.

Society information is available (in Hebrew) at the Society's site: <http://www.sf-f.org.il>

This month's roundup:

- ** Sorry I was on vacation, so only:
- Our usual, interesting tidbits from various websites.
- Your editor, Leybl Botwinik

**LB: I guess that this is OUR big story of the month:
Jewish – and a Montrealer... what could be better...?**

William Shatner, Star Trek's Captain Kirk, blasts into space

Shatner, 90, became the oldest person in space, eclipsing the previous record set by a passenger on a similar jaunt on a Bezos spaceship in July — by 8 years

By Associated Press

Hollywood's Captain Kirk, 90-year-old William Shatner, blasted into space Wednesday in a convergence of science fiction and science reality, reaching the final frontier aboard a ship built by Jeff Bezos' Blue Origin company.



Blue Origin's New Shepard rocket launches carrying passengers William Shatner, Chris Boshuizen, Audrey Powers and Glen de Vries from its spaceport near Van Horn, Texas, Oct. 13, 2021. (AP/LM Otero)



Canadian actor William Shatner unveils a wax figure of himself as character Captain James T. Kirk from the "Star Trek" television series at Madame Tussauds Hollywood on November 4, 2009. PHOTO BY REUTERS/FRED PROUSER

The "Star Trek" actor and three fellow passengers hurtled to an altitude of 66.5 miles (107 kilometers) over the West Texas desert in the fully automated capsule, then safely parachuted back to Earth in a flight that lasted just over 10 minutes.

"What you have given me is the most profound experience," an exhilarated Shatner told Bezos after climbing out of the hatch, the words spilling from him in a soliloquy almost as long as the flight. "I hope I never recover from this. I hope that I can maintain what I feel now. I don't want to lose it."

He said that going from the blue sky to the utter blackness of space was a moving experience: "In an instant you go, 'Whoa, that's death.' That's what I saw."

Read more here:

- <https://worldisraelnews.com/william-shatner-tvs-capt-kirk-blasts-into-space/>

And here:

- <https://montrealgazette.com/news/world/william-shatner-going-where-no-living-original-star-trek-cast-member-has-gone-before>
- <https://www.space.com/william-shatner-sees-earth-from-space-blue-origin-video>

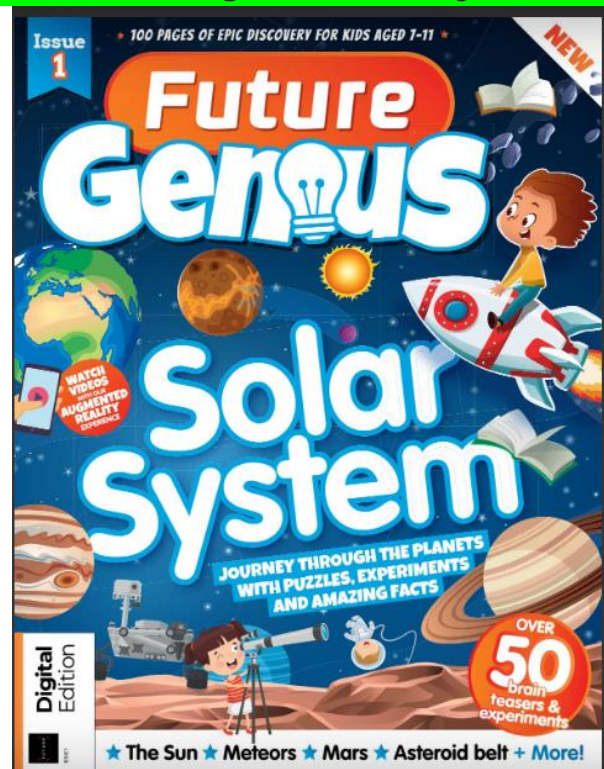
And interactively: William Shatner 'AI' will chat with you about the 'Star Trek' actor's life

- <https://www.space.com/william-shatner-ai-chat>

Future Genius - New kids' space and science magazine for kids aged 7 to 11

Created to fit the school curriculum for ages 7 to 11, **Future Genius** is our brand new sister publication that's designed to encourage and maintain inquisitive minds.

Packed with puzzles, stunning imagery and experiments, **Future Genius** is the pinnacle of engaged learning, offering its young readers the tools they need to build their problem-solving, arithmetic, reading, writing and overall cognitive skills. With an added augmented reality functionality, youngsters can scan the QR codes using a smartphone or tablet to play videos, listen to sounds and discover in the most exciting way possible.



See sample:

<https://e.issuu.com/embed.html?d=fqb3924.issuu&u=futurepublishing>

More Fun from the Web

- **World Space Week 2021 honors women in space**
<https://www.space.com/world-space-week-2021-events>
- **What if the universe had no beginning?**
<https://www.space.com/universe-had-no-beginning-time>
- **Our climate projections for 2500 show an Earth that is alien to humans**
<https://www.space.com/2500-climate-projections-earth-alien-to-humans?>
- **'The Wonderful' tells the story of the International Space Station through many astronauts' eyes (exclusive clip)**
<https://www.space.com/the-wonderful-stories-from-the-space-station-exclusive-clip>
- **This International Space Station VR experience lets you explore the ISS... and it's as amazing as it sounds**
<https://www.space.com/vr-iss-experience-international-space-station>
- **Stellina smart telescope makes astrophotography a breeze: review**
<https://www.space.com/stellina-smart-telescope-review.html>
- **Listen as NASA transforms stunning space photos into cosmic music (video)**
<https://www.space.com/astromy-images-turned-music-sonification>
- **Best star projectors 2021: Indoor views of the night sky**
<https://www.space.com/best-star-projectors-2021>
- **Disney opens Space 220 restaurant with (g)astronomical menu, views**
<https://www.space.com/space220-epcot-disney-opening>

TV&MOVIES:

- **Best sci-fi TV shows based on books**
<https://www.space.com/best-sci-fi-tv-shows-based-on-books>
- **'The Expanse' is back! Check out the first teaser for the sixth (and final) season**
<https://www.space.com/the-expanse-season-6-first-teaser-nycc>
- **Trailer for 'Lost in Space' Season 3 promises epic conclusion to beloved series (video)**
<https://www.space.com/lost-in-space-season-3-trailer-netflix>
- **Upcoming sci-fi movies for 2021 & 2022**
<https://www.space.com/upcoming-sci-fi-movies>
- **Star Trek movies, ranked worst to best**
<https://www.space.com/star-trek-movies-ranked-worst-to-best>
- **Star Wars movies ranked, worst to best**
<https://www.space.com/star-wars-movies-ranked-worst-to-best>

- **Best lightsaber fights: Epic duels from across the Star Wars universe**
<https://www.space.com/best-lightsaber-fights-star-wars>

BOOKS:

- **'The Autobiography of Mr. Spock' offers a fascinating look at Star Trek's iconic Vulcan (exclusive excerpt)**
<https://www.space.com/star-trek-auto-biography-of-mr-spock-book-excerpt>
- **New sci-fi anthology 'AI 2041' presents hopeful realities of artificial intelligence**
<https://www.space.com/artificial-intelligence-anthology-book-interview-excerpt>

GAMES:

- **The science behind Destiny 2's Lorentz Driver weapon**
<https://www.space.com/destiny-2-lorentz-driver-science-explained>
- **Best Star Wars games: top picks for players of all ages and experience**
<https://www.space.com/best-star-wars-games>
- **'Star Trek Online' new season 'Reflections' is out and free to play!**
<https://www.space.com/star-trek-online-reflections-game-new-season>
- **Hasbro has released an awesome new Nerf M41-A Blaster from the film 'Aliens'**
<https://www.space.com/aliens-hasbro-nerf-m41-a-blaster-coming-soon>
- **'Star Wars: Knights of the Old Republic' is getting a remake and there's a new trailer**
<https://www.space.com/star-wars-game-knights-of-the-old-republic-remake>
- **'They Are Here,' an alien abduction horror game, is coming in early 2022 and you can play a free demo now**
<https://www.space.com/they-are-here-alien-abduction-game-free-demo>

We'd love to hear your thoughts on the above topics and with your OK, we may publish them!

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