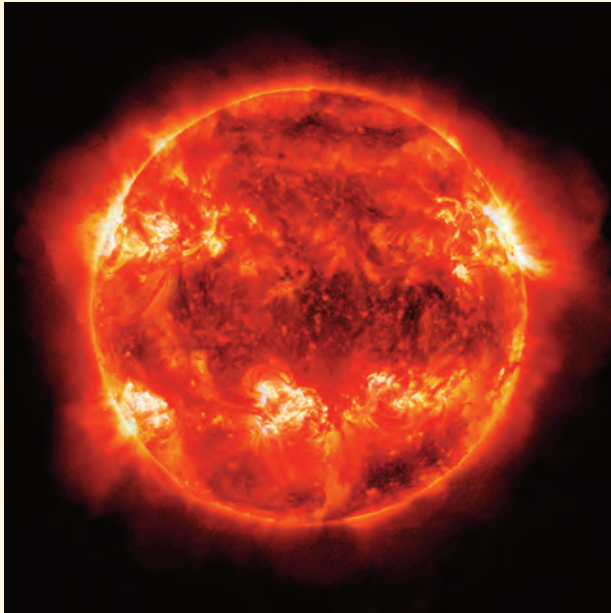


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This traveling exhibition organized by The Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service, makes its national touring debut at the Monmouth Museum on March 9, 2008. Photographer Michael Benson creates views of our Solar System's diverse worlds and their moons, and reveals the beauty, mystery and drama of space. These astonishing views come primarily from NASA and European Space Agency missions.

The exhibition features 35 large-scale framed prints containing 59 individual photographs. The artist uses various techniques including a mosaic or collage process to create seamless photographs of unprecedented clarity and realism. Benson says, "I view the scientific legacy of these missions as being a chapter in the history of photography".



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Images on front: left, **The Sun**, Source: TRACE, July 30, 1999, Credit: TRACE Project, Stanford-Lockheed Institute for Space Research/NASA/Michael Benson/Kinetikon Pictures. Right, **The Americas**, Source: MESSENGER, August 2, 2005, Credit: NASA/Carnegie Institution/Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory/Michael Benson, Kinetikon Pictures.