

# LYRIDS METEOR SHOWER THIS MONTH



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*Sky's the Limit*

On the evening of Friday, April 21 look northwest-west to see Mercury, the Pleiades open star cluster and the moon as they hang around for a few hours at sunset.

On Sunday, April 23 look west after sunset to Venus and the moon, and after midnight watch this pair set.

The Lyrids meteor shower will peak at dusk on Sunday, April

23. Look north-north-east into the constellation of Lyra, near the star Vega, and you should be able to catch 10-20 meteors per hour on average with rare surges of up to 100 around the crescent Moon. Light will not be an issue that night.

On Tuesday, April 25 follow the moon and Mars as they set into the night.

Check out [calgary.rasc.ca/calendar2023.htm](http://calgary.rasc.ca/calendar2023.htm) for all the gatherings of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada (RASC) - Calgary Centre.

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