# Rena Aerey Lee

### Education

2023 - Present Ph.D. in Astronomy, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, Honolulu, HI

2020 - 2022 M.S. in Earth and Planetary Sciences, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, Honolulu, HI

2016 - 2020 B.A. in Astronomy (Honors), Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY

B.A. in Cognitive Science, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY

# Research Experience

Interests Low Mass Stars, Stellar Activity, Planet Formation and Evolution, Planetary Atmospheres

Jan 2023 - **Dr. Michael Connelley**, 699-1 Project: Measuring the magnetic fields of the coolest pre-main sequence Sep 2023 stars using iSHELL, Honolulu, HI

 Deriving stellar properties in conjuction with average magnetic field measurements of pre-main sequence M stars in the Beta Pictoris Moving Group using a MCMC framework, utilizing high resolution K-band spectra obtained with iSHELL at IRTF.

Aug 2020 - **Dr. Eric Gaidos**, Master's Thesis: Relating Multiplicity and Rotational Evolution among Young M Dwarf Dec 2022 Stars in the Beta Pictoris Moving Group, Honolulu, HI

Obtaining, reducing, and analyzing IR data from Maunakea Observatories and other sources to study the rotation
and activity of young M dwarf stars and the implications for the evolution of their planets; observational campaign
to detect and measure the stellar masses of companions in binary systems.

Aug 2020 - Dr. Peter Plavchan, TOI Follow-Up Program, Fairfax, VA

July 2022 O Collaborator and observer for IR spectroscopic follow-up of TESS Objects of Interest, detecting and characterizing exoplanets around M Dwarf stars by radial velocity analysis.

Aug 2021 - Dr. Sonal Jain, MAVEN IUVS Science Team, Boulder, CO

July 2022 • Research Affiliate of the Mars Atmosphere and Volatile Evolution (MAVEN) Imagning UltraViolet Spectrograph (IUVS) Science Team at the Laboratory for Atmospheric and Space Physics; analyzed data from previous laboratory work with Dr. Joseph Ajello and prepared manuscripts for publication.

Aug 2019 - Dr. Joseph Ajello, Laboratory Study of Planetary UV Emissions, Boulder, CO

Aug 2020 O Analyzed laboratory UV emission spectra for application in planetary aeronomical modeling; laboratory operation; prepared manuscript for publication; data reduction, analysis, and quality assurance.

May 2019 - Dr. Joseph Ajello & Dr. Charles Malone, NSF Research Experience for Undergraduates, Boulder, CO

Aug 2019 Operated and optimized laboratory vacuum chamber equipment, electron gun, and flight spare spectrographs (MAVEN IUVS, GOLD) to obtain electron impact-induced fluorescence spectra from common planetary gases; developed data reduction and visualization routines.

## Teaching Experience

#### Undergraduate Academic Intern (distinguished TA), Astronomy Department

Aug 2019 – May 2020

- ASTR 101: Solar System Science

- ASTR 105: Stars, Galaxies, and Cosmology

- ASTR 220: Stellar Astrophysics

- ASTR 230: Planetary and Space Science

- ASTR 240: Observational Astronomy

- ASTR 322: Galaxies

#### Academic Intern (distinguished TA), Cognitive Science Department

Jan 2020 - May 2020

- COGS 219: Research Methods in Cognitive Science

#### Laboratory Teaching Assistant, Chemistry Department

Aug 2018 - Dec 2019

- CHEM 108: General Chemistry I Lab

- CHEM 109: General Chemistry II Lab

- CHEM 244: Organic Chemistry I Lab

#### Laboratory Teaching Assistant, Physics Department

Aug 2018 - May 2019

- PHYS 113: Fundamentals of Physics I

- PHYS 114: Fundamentals of Physics II

## Awards, Scholarships, and Fellowships

Graduate Institute for Astronomy Outreach Service Award

Jan 2023

Graduate Division Achievement Scholarship, UH Mānoa (\$3K)

Aug 2022

NASA Exoplanet Science Institute Sagan Summer Workshop Travel Award

Jul 2022

	National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship (\$125K) Fred Mason Bullard Fellowship (\$12K), UH Mānoa	Apr 2022 - Present Aug 2020	
Undergraduate	Austin Endowed Student Travel Grant, American Geophysical Union	Dec 2019	
	Internship Grant Fund, Vassar College	Nov 2019	
	Grace Hopper Celebration Research Scholarship, Computing Research Association	Oct 2019	
	QuestBridge National College Match Finalist	Nov 2015	
	Volunteering and Outreach		
Graduate	Volunteer, Institute for Astronomy Outreach		
	- Hawai'i Geek Meet	Sep 2022	
	- Welina Mānoa: First Day of School Kick-Off Event - Girl Scouts of Hawai'i STEM Camp	Aug 2022 Jun 2022	
	- IfA Open House	Apr 2022	
	- Radio Telescope Demonstration	Feb 2022	
	- Makahiki Games & Stargazing Event	Dec 2021	
	Mentor, Mauna Kea Scholars	May 2022 - Present	
	Mentor, HI-STAR (Hawai'i Student/Teacher Astronomy Research) Summer Camp	May 2021 - Present	
	Mentor and Volunteer, Honua Scholars	Oct 2021 - Present	
	Alumna and Volunteer, QuestBridge Organization	Aug 2016 - Present	
Undergraduate		Aug 2019 - Feb 2020	
	Research and Coding Intern, Vassar Brothers Medical Center: The Heart Center  Middle School and College Prep Tutor, Vassar College Urban Education Initiative	Aug 2018 - May 2019 Aug 2016 - May 2018	
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	Academic Service		
	Graduate Outreach Representative, Institute for Astronomy	Aug 2022 - Present	
	Earth & Planetary Sciences Representative, Graduate Student Organization	May 2022 - Present	
	Graduate Student Representative, Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee	e <i>Aug 2021 - Jul 2022</i>	
	Programming Skills		
Proficient	Python   LaTeX   Bash		
Novice	IDL   MATLAB   R   C		
- ·	Conferences and Presentations		
Talks	Earth and Planetary Sciences Department Colloquium Talk	Nov 2021	
	- Bullard Talk: Hidden Binary Stars in a Young Stellar Association  American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting	Dec 2019	
	- Laboratory Aeronomy by Electron Impact of CO and CO <sub>2</sub> for Analysis of UV Obs		
	Martian Upper Atmosphere		
Posters	NExScI Sagan Summer Workshop	Jul 2022	
	- Census & Age of the Beta Pictoris Moving Group with Gaia DR3		
	American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting	Dec 2021	
	- Mars and Venus Dayglow Studies Based Upon Laboratory Aeronomy from Electro	on Impact of $CO_2$ for	
	analysis of UV Observations by MAVEN, EMM, MEx, and VEx		
	NExScI Sagan Summer Workshop  Hidden Ringries in the Reta Pictoris Moving Croup	Jul 2021	
Camamilla	- Hidden Binaries in the Beta Pictoris Moving Group	C 0000	
Contributor	Europlanet Science Congress (Talk)  The CO Cameron hands in the Mars dayglow and aurora; consequences of revised	Sep 2022	
	- The CO Cameron bands in the Mars dayglow and aurora: consequences of revised cross sections  American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting (Poster)  Dec 2019		
	- Comparison of Titan and Earth UV Dayglow: Cascade UV Spectrum of the LBH by Electron Impact		

 $\ \, \text{3 First Author} \ \, \textbf{Lee, R. A.} + \text{4 authors.} \ \, \text{``Revisiting the Membership, Multiplicity, and Age of the Beta Pictoris Moving }$ Group in the Gaia Era" 2023, MNRAS. Submitted Feb 2023.

Refereed Publications

Lee, R. A. + 11 authors. "Laboratory Study of the Cameron Bands and UV Doublet in the Middle Ultraviolet 180-300 nm by Electron Impact upon CO<sub>2</sub> with Application to Mars" 2022, Astrophysical Journal, 938, 99.

Lee, R. A. + 9 authors. "Laboratory Study of the Cameron Bands, the Fourth Positive Bands, and the First Negative Bands in the Middle Ultraviolet 180-300 nm by Electron Impact on CO" 2021, Journal of Geophysical Research: Planets, 126, 2020JE006602.

7 Contributing

Gaidos, E., Lee, R. A., + X authors. "Rotation and Multiplicity in the Beta Pictoris Moving Group" 2023, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society. in prep.

Gaidos, E., Hirano, T., Lee, R. A., + 7 authors. "Planet(esimal)s Around Stars with TESS (PAST) III: A Search for Triplet He I in the Atmospheres of Two 200 Myr-old Planets" 2022, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society. Accepted Oct 2022. on arXiv.

El Mufti, M., + 95 authors, including Lee, R. A. "TOI 560 - Two Transiting planets Orbiting a K dwarf Validated with iSHELL, PFS and HIRES RVs" 2021, AAS Journals. Accepted Oct 2022. on arXiv.

Cale, B. + 54 authors, including Lee, R. A. "Diving Beneath the Sea of Stellar Activity: Chromatic Radial Velocities of the Young AU Mic Planetary System" 2021, Astronomical Journal, 162, 295.

Gaidos, E. + 23 authors, including Lee, R. A. "Zodiacal Exoplanets in Time (ZEIT) XII: A Directly-Imaged Planetary-Mass Companion to a Young Taurus M Dwarf Star" 2021, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, 512, 10.1093/mnras/stab3069.

Ajello, J. M. + 10 authors, including Lee, R. A. "The UV spectrum of the Lyman-Birge-Hopfield band system of N2 induced by cascading from electron impact" 2020, Journal of Geophysical Research: Space Physics, 125, 2019JA027546.

de Leeuw, J. + 18 authors, including Lee, R. A. "Similar event-related potentials to structural violations in music and language: A replication of Patel, Gibson, Ratner, Besson, & Holcomb (1998)" 2019, Metapsychology, 3, MP.2018.1481.

# Awarded Proposals

**Funding** 

#### Co-I TESS Guest Investigator Program Cycle 4

2021

Rotation and Multiplicity of Hyades M Dwarf Stars (PI Eric Gaidos)

## Observing

PI	Hidden Binaries in the Beta Pictoris Moving Group, NASA IRTF   39 hrs	2021B-2022A
	Hidden Binaries in the Beta Pictoris Moving Group, NAOJ Subaru Telescope   12 hrs	2021B
Co-I	Running Out of Gas near the End of Planet Formation, NASA IRTF $\mid$ 6.25 hrs	2022B
	Transit Spectroscopy of a Nearby Young Exo-Neptune, NASA IRTF $\mid$ 6.5 hrs	2022A
	Transit Spectroscopy of a Nearby Super-Earth, Subaru Telescope   6.5 hrs	2022A
	Sleuthing the magnetic field, rotation, and age of a nearby M dwarf star, NASA IRTF $\mid$ 10.7	'5 hrs <i>2022A</i>
	Transit Spectroscopy of a Planet around a Nearby Bright Young Star, NASA IRTF $\mid$ 7.5 hrs	2021B
	Hidden Binaries in the Beta Pictoris Moving Group, NASA IRTF   21 hrs	2021A
Contributing	Spectroscopy of Dipper Stars to reveal Inner Disk Dynamics, NASA IRTF   7.5 hrs	2022A
Observer	Transit Spectroscopy of TOIs in the Neptune Desert, Subaru Telescope   9 hrs	2022A
	Rotation and Multiplicity of Hyades M Dwarf Stars, W.M. Keck Observatories   24 hrs	2021B
	TOI follow-up program, Plavchan Group, NASA IRTF $\mid \sim$ 30+ hrs	2020B-2021A

References available upon request.