## Intro to Fulldome Production with Blender

## 2017 Pleiades National Planetarium Conference

Part 1: Interface Tour and Initial Settings

Part 2: Output and Camera Settings for Fulldome

Part 3: Blender World Creation

Part 4: Various Objects, Materials and More

Part 5: Compositing Render Layers

Part 6: Animating the Blender World Environment

Part 7: Various Animated Examples

Appendix A: Recommended Learning Resources

Appendix B: Notes on Video Output

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## Welcome to the Blender Fulldome Workshop at the 2017 Pleiades National Conference!

This workshop is focused on some of the methods, tips and tricks useful for getting started with using Blender specifically to produce fulldome content.

If you...

- ...have little experience with graphics software, these materials may be helpful later on as you learn the basics.
- ...have experience with other software packages, this may be helpful in transferring your skills from other packages to Blender.
- ...know Blender, but haven't used if for fulldome, this should be a nice start toward building your own bag of tricks.
- ...already have plenty of experience working with Blender, perhaps you will find a new method or two. And please do let us know about the methods and tricks that you have found helpful in your own fulldome Blender work.

Most of all, we hope that you will enjoy the workshop and will use the provided materials as examples for further learning and experimentation.