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5 Art Shows to See in L.A. This Week

Celestial mico-concerts and more

"Knowledges," a two-day exhibition at the Mount Wilson Observatory in the San Gabriel Mountains, happened for the first time in 2012. Now, five years later thanks in part to a grant from the local Mike Kelley Foundation, the exhibition is returning, organized again by artist-curator Christina Ondrus. Artists will host performances at the observatory's various telescopes. For instance, Scott Benzel, who often works with sound, will stage a performance on the rotating deck of the 100-inch telescope. Ticketed micro-concerts by musicians including Tara Jane O'Neil and the band White Magic will occur around the telescopes, so intimate groups of visitors can gaze into the heavens while listening to live music. Rosha Yaghmai and Erik Frydenborg both will have sculptures on the grounds. Through his large installation of low-relief imagery, Frydenborg will attempt to turn the entrance to the Astronomical Museum into "an oracular shrine."

— Catherine Wagley