

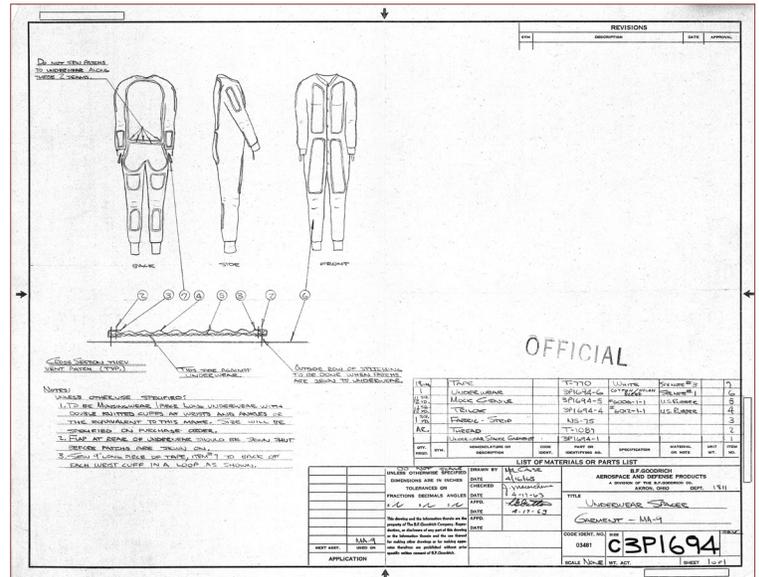


# Beyond Our World: Reaching for the Moon

*Studying whether there's life on Mars or studying how the universe began, there's something magical about pushing back the frontiers of knowledge.*  
—Sally Ride, 2008

Even though we've looked up to the stars for centuries wondering what it could be like to fly among them or visit planets that we could only peer at from Earth, space travel wasn't a possibility until the 20th century. As we approach the 50th anniversary of the moon landing, it seems that mankind was destined to walk on the moon.

From the creation of NASA in 1958 to the United States putting a man on the moon just eleven years later, "Beyond Our World" uses National Archives photos to show NASA's role and spotlight some of the moments behind the historic achievement of reaching the moon.



## Exhibition Details

### Content:

25-35 framed facsimile documents and matted black & white and color digital prints, 10-15 large-format murals, text, graphic panels, video, and labels

### Curator:

Jennifer N. Johnson, National Archives Traveling Exhibits Service (NATES)

### Supplemental Materials:

Educational and promotional resources, including an education and resource guide, marketing resources, installation manual, and exhibit-related products through the National Archives Store.

### Rental Fee:

\$5,000 for 7-week display

### Security Requirements:

Limited security and environmental controls

### Shipping:

Exhibitor is responsible for all outgoing shipping costs

### Size:

250-300 linear feet

### Number of Crates:

4-6

### Insurance:

Insured by the National Archives

### Tour Dates:

*Beyond Our World: Reaching for the Moon* will be available for tour 2019 to 2022. Dates are subject to change.

### Project Status:

In Development

## More About this Exhibition

Discover the behind-the-scenes preparation for space travel and the essential missions that were conceived to achieve such a goal through photographs from the vast holdings of the National Archives.

### *Preparing for Space*

What kind of training is required of astronauts? How did animals help us understand how being in space would affect humans? Making it to the moon required a small army of scientists, mathematicians, and others to research and test everything from flight windows to how aspirin could work in space. Drawings and photos help illustrate the minutiae of preparing for space, and the people who contributed to the groundbreaking achievements of the space program.

### *The Missions to the Moon*

Have you ever asked yourself how exactly we put a man on the moon? The Mercury, Gemini, and Apollo missions each had a set of objectives, all ultimately building upon each other to enable a human to set foot on the moon. Get a glimpse into each mission and the accomplishments achieved.

### *Beyond the Moon*

Photographs show how we continue to “push the frontiers of knowledge.” The International Space Station is a research lab in space, continuously manned by astronauts from all over the world. The Hubble Telescope has allowed us to glimpse the outer frontiers of space.

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