



Royal Astronomical Society

The George Darwin Lectures

An annual series of lectures on astronomy (including astrochemistry, astrobiology, astroparticle physics, etc). The award is named after the astronomer George Darwin and has been given annually since 1984. The speaker may be based in the UK or overseas.

Year	Name of Lecturer	Date Lecture Given	Title of Lecture
2020	Ofer Lahav	TBC	TBC
2019	Chris Done	2019 November 08	Black holes: testing Einstein's gravity with rocket science.
2018	Stephen J. Smartt	2018 October 12	Kilonovae and the birth of multi-messenger astronomy
2017	Catherine Heymans	2017 December 08	Observing the Dark side of our Universe
2016	Michael Kramer	2016 December 09	Probing Einstein's Universe and its physics - the joy of being curious
2015	Katherine Blundell	2015 November 13	Rapid Evolution in Astronomy
2014	James S. Dunlop	2015 January 09	The cosmic history of star formation
2013	Eline Tolstoy	2013 November 08	Galactic Palaeontology
2012	Andrew Collier Cameron	2012 December 14	Winds, Tides and the Migration of Hot Jupiters
2011	Michael Turner	2011 October 14	From Quarks to the Cosmos
2010	Carlos Frenk	2010 April 15	The Small-Scale Structure of the Universe

2009	Neil Gehrels	2009 October 09	Gamma Ray Bursts and the Birth of Black Holes: Discoveries by SWIFT
2008	Alan Watson	2008 October 08	The Birth of Cosmic Ray Astronomy on the Argentine Pampas
2007	Reinhard Genzel	2007 April 19	The Massive Black Hole and Nuclear Star Cluster of the Milky Way
2006	Michael Werner	2006 May 12	The Spitzer Space Telescope: Probing the universe with Infrared Eyes
2005	Joseph Silk	2005 December 09	The Dark Side of the Universe
2004	Mike Edmunds	2004 December 10	The Elementary Universe
2003	Anneila Sargent	2003 December 12	The Formation of Planetary Systems
2002	Ramesh Narayan	2002 December 13	Evidence for the Black Hole Event Horizon
2001	Wendy Freedman	2001 October 12	The Expansion Rate of the Universe
2000	Kip Thorne	2000 December 08	Gravitational Waves: Opening a New Window onto the Universe
1999	Geoff Marcy	2000 January 14	Extrasolar Planets
1998	Michael Perryman	1999 May 14	A Stereoscopic View of the Galaxy
1997	Simon White	1998 March 13	The Formation of Galaxies
1996	Andrew Fabian	1996 December 13	Broad Iron Lines from AGN: Test of Strong Gravity
1995	Bohdan Paczyński	1996 March 08	Gravitational micro-lensing and the search for dark matter
1994	Scott Tremaine	1994 October 14	Is the Solar System Stable?
1993	Riccardo Giacconi	1993 October 08	Recent observations from the Hubble Space Telescope
1992	John Barrow	1992 October 09	Unprincipled Cosmology
1991	Sandra Faber	1991 December 13	How galaxies (probably) formed
1990	Andre Maeder	1990 November 09	Massive Stars in Galaxies
1989	Roger Blandford	1989 December 08	Gravitational Lenses
1988	Roger Tayler	1988 October 14	The Sun as a Star

1987	Wal Sargent	1987 May 08	Observing the evolution of large scale structure in the Universe
1986	Gerald Neugebauer	1986 October 10	Infrared astronomy
1985	Robert Wilson	1986 January 10	A perspective of ultraviolet astronomy
1984	Icko Iben	1984 May 11	The life of an intermediate mass star - in isolation/in a close binary