

Beauty

&

The Case for God

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*Recommended
Reading*

There is A God

(How an

Atheist Scientist

changed his mind)



John M. Kinson

Does Science Point to God?

(Is there scientific evidence for God?)

God & Science – Book 2



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Inexpensive Kindle Books → [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com)

Introduction

*A Celebration of Good
Beauty & God*

God

*Has placed Archetypes of Beauty &
Good in all of us*

*(that is why they show up in all
religions & worldviews)*



if there is no God

the only kind of beauty

we can reasonably expect

(and explain, through Evolution)

is Sexual Beauty

if there is a God

*who delights in creating (as an Artist),
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in many ways & in many places
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What we do see is →

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This is Evidence →

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Existence of God

In Science & Philosophy,

God → Evidence

for the

Left-Brained

In Beauty,

God → Evidence

for the

Right-Brained

*In other presentations
I go into more detail
about Evidence from Science*

*(I provide a brief summary
in the next few slides)*

Science

&

The Case for God

(a brief summary)

Dad was an Atheist Scientist

I became an Atheist & later, a Scientist

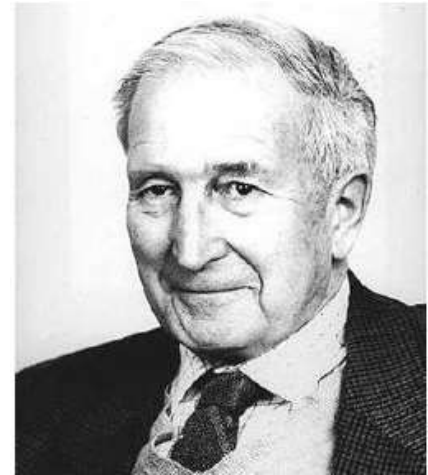
Search for Truth & Beauty

→ Finally led me to God

Atheism → Theism

Anthony Flew: World's Leading Atheist Philosopher for 50 years → Theist

- Big Bang
- Tuned Universe
- Origin of Life



This presenter → Atheism → Theism

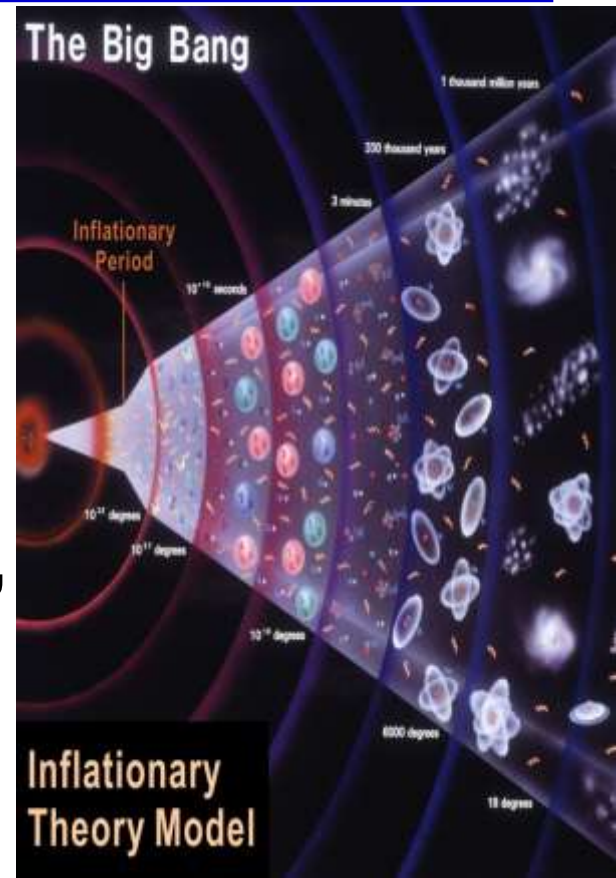
- Scientific Evidence
- Philosophical Evidence

The Big Bang points to God

Very unexpected for Atheism

What about Christian
Theism ?

Genesis – In the Beginning
God created the universe...
And he said “let there be light”
and there was light...



The Fine-Tuning points to God

Very unexpected for Atheism

But not very surprising
if God exists
& created the universe.

Intelligent Design shows its presence
by specified events of very low probability.

The Origin of Life points to God

**The impossibly low probabilities
Very unexpected for Atheism**

But not very surprising
if God exists
& created First Life.

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Science & The Case for God

Math

- *Impossibility of crossing an infinity (x multiverse)*

Physics-Cosmology

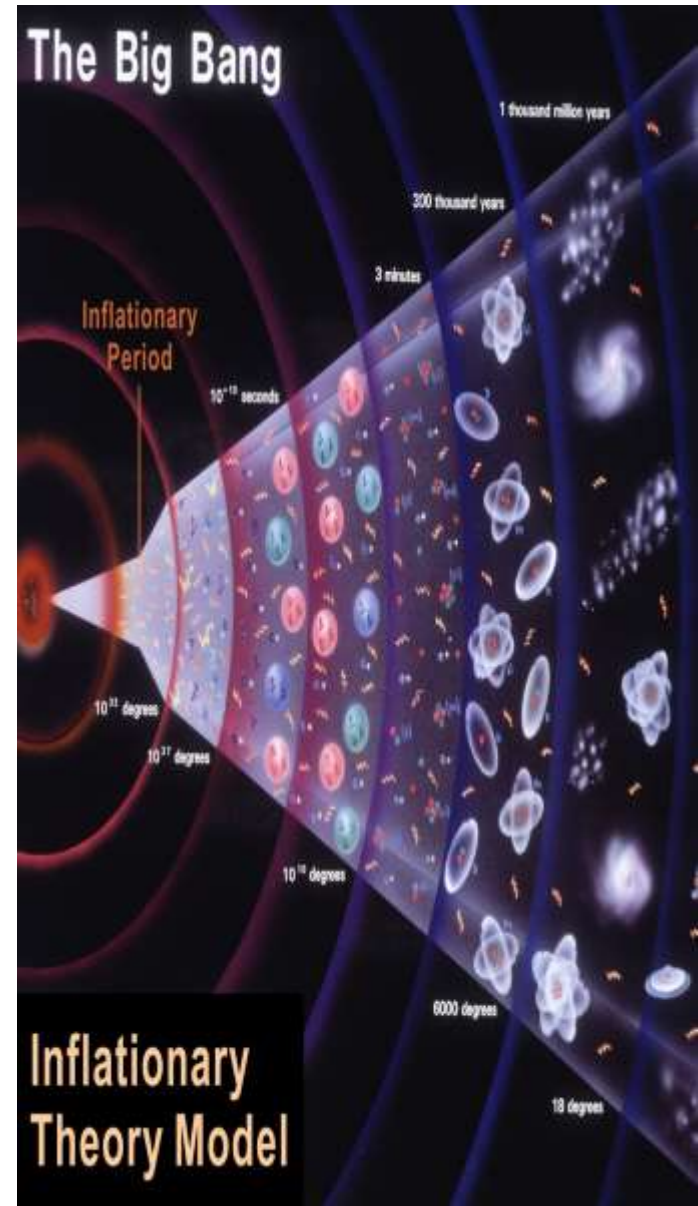
- **Big Bang** origin of the Universe
- **Fine-Tuning of the Universe** for Life
- *Tuning of Earth for Life*

Biology

- **Origin of Life** (*impossible by random-chance*)
- *Irreducible Complexity of bio-nano-machines*
- *Irreducible Complexity of biological systems*
- *Specified Complexity in DNA*
- *Language in DNA, Software in DNA*
- *Overlapping Codes in DNA*
- *Information Optimality of first-life DNA*
- *Cambrian Explosion*
- *Orphan Genes in separate species/genera*
- *Extreme isolation of functional proteins in poly-peptide space*

Science of the Mind

- *Free-will (contradicts pure materialism)*
- *Consciousness (contradicts pure materialism)*
- *NDE's/OBE's*



Next

...

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It used to puzzle me as an Atheist...

Why

is the Universe

So Beautiful?

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However,
if there is a God

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The fact that

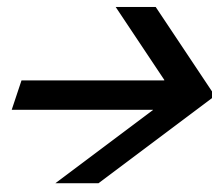
the Universe is so Beautiful

→ Fits more naturally
with the notion that God exists
(as a creative artist)

→ Than with the notion
that there is no God

→ In this sense, Non-Sexual Beauty in the
Universe Points to the Existence of God

*Observations
Of Beauty*



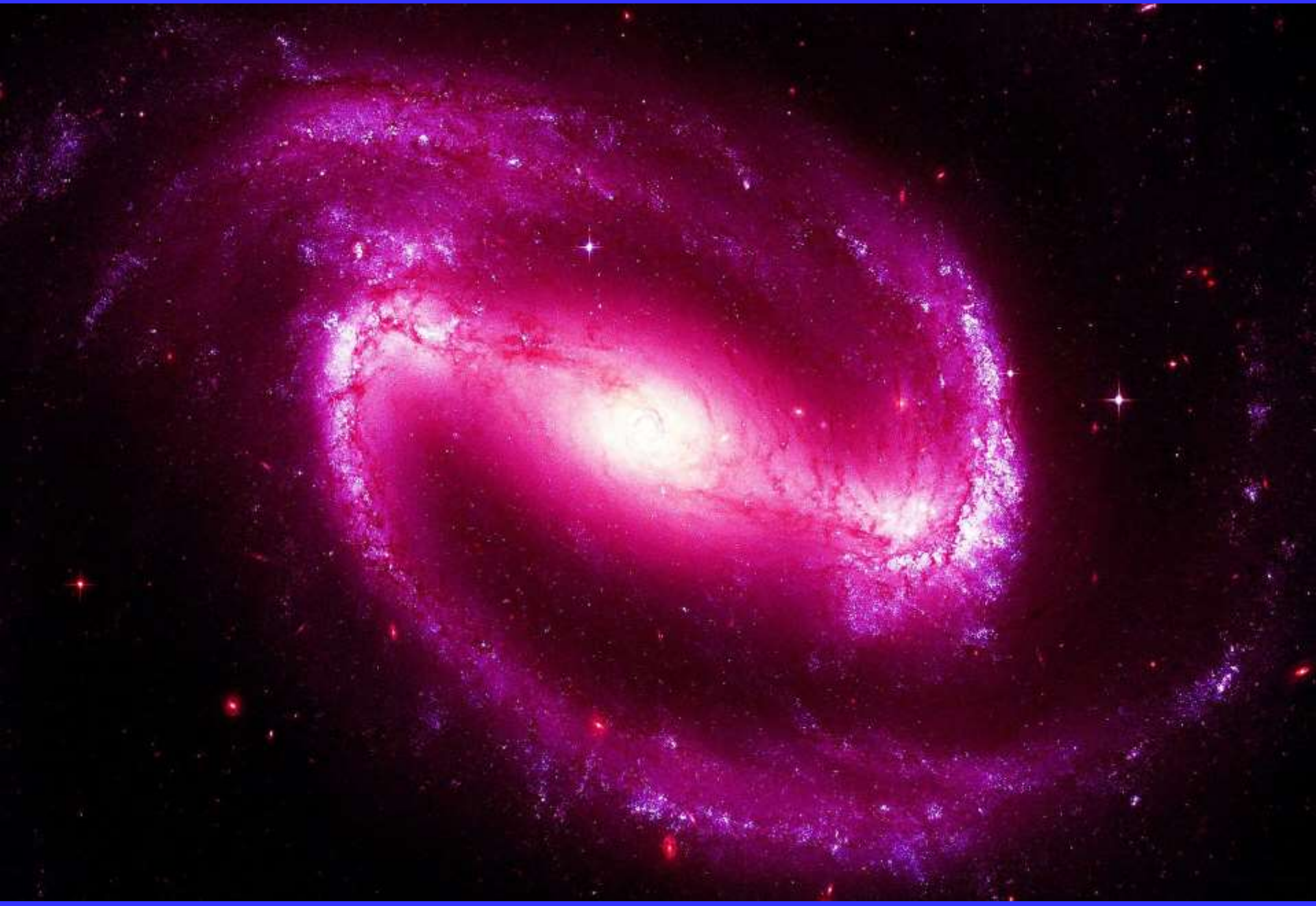
Galaxies

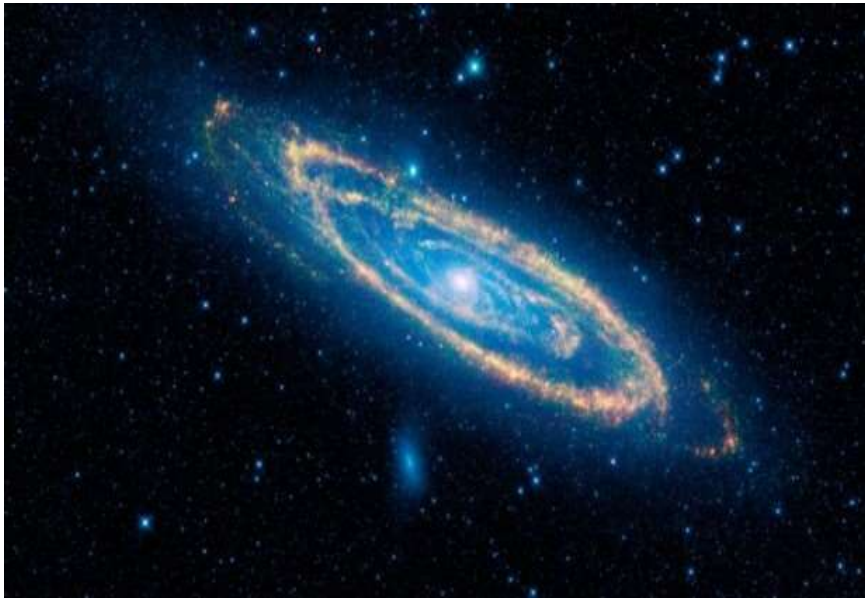
(10^{11} stars)

Galaxies



Galaxies





Nebulae

(dust clouds in space)



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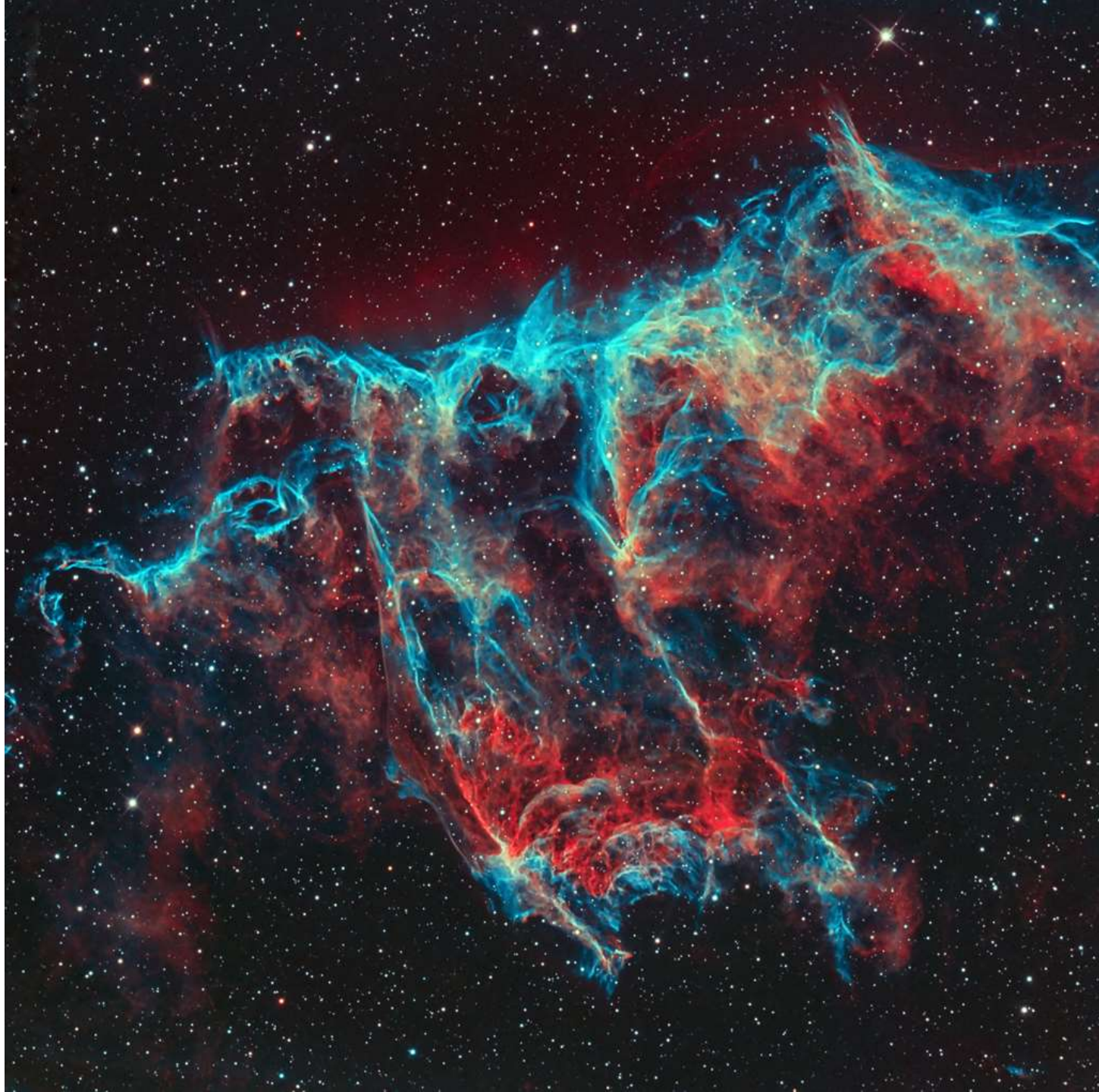






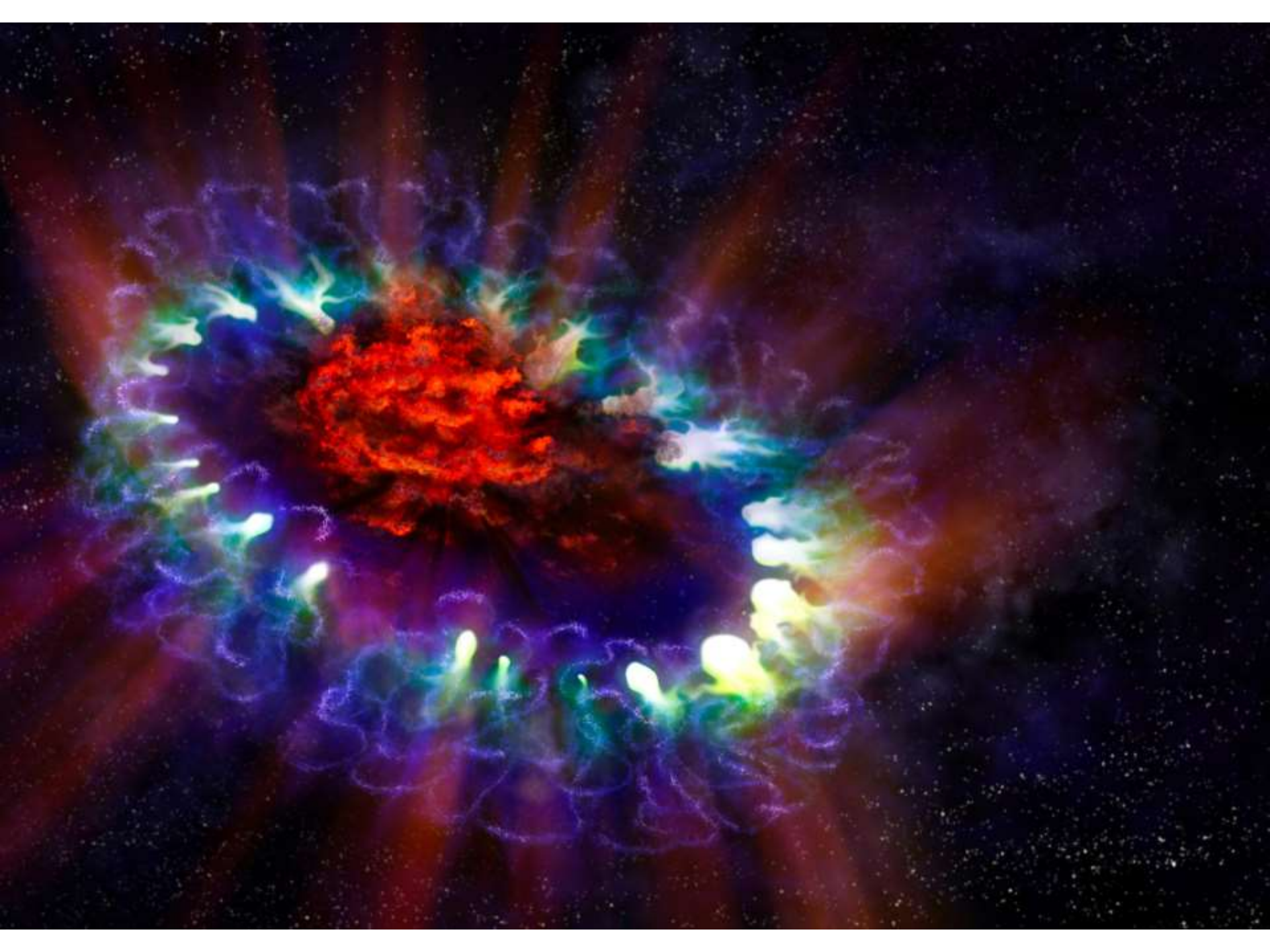


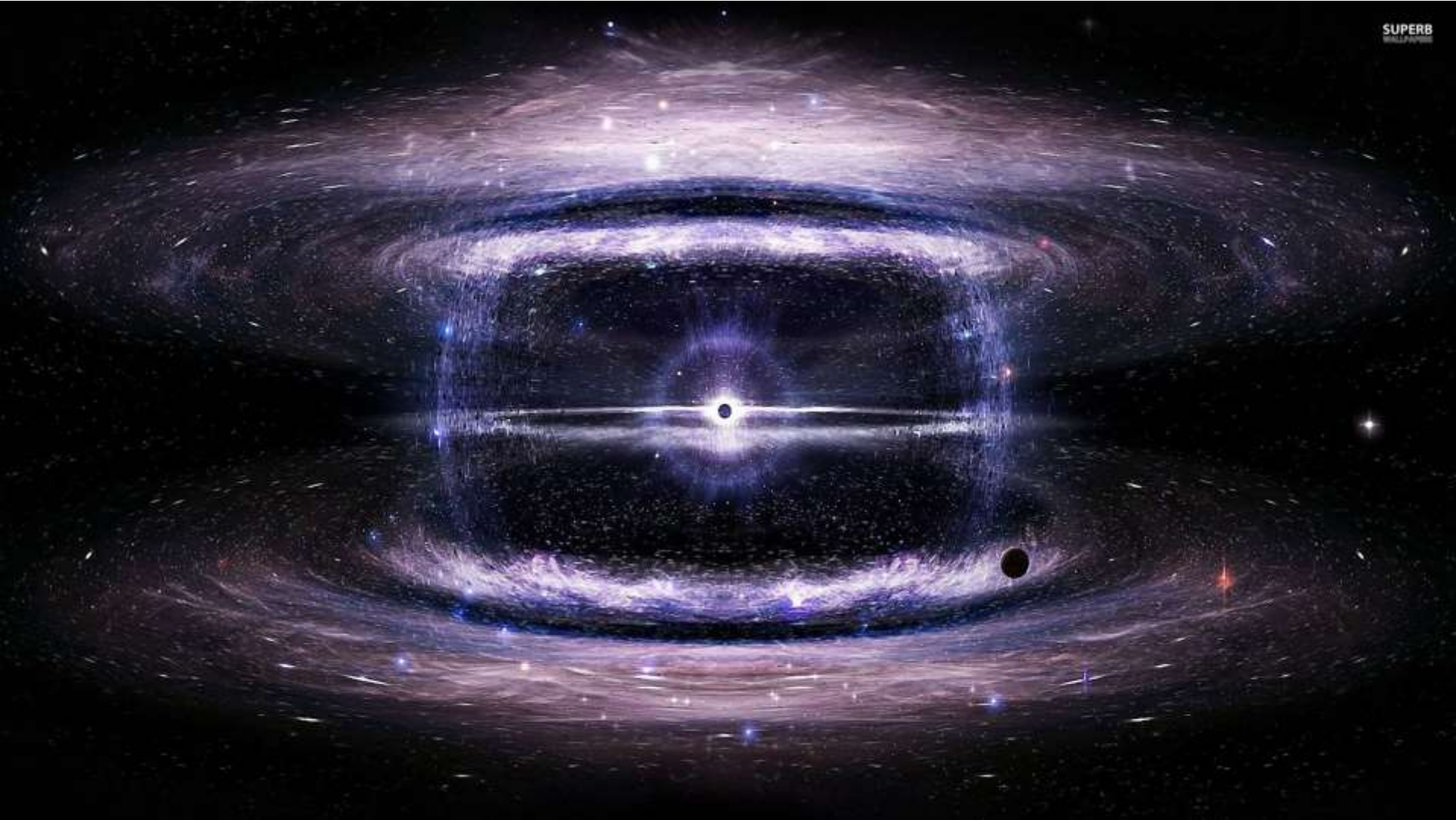


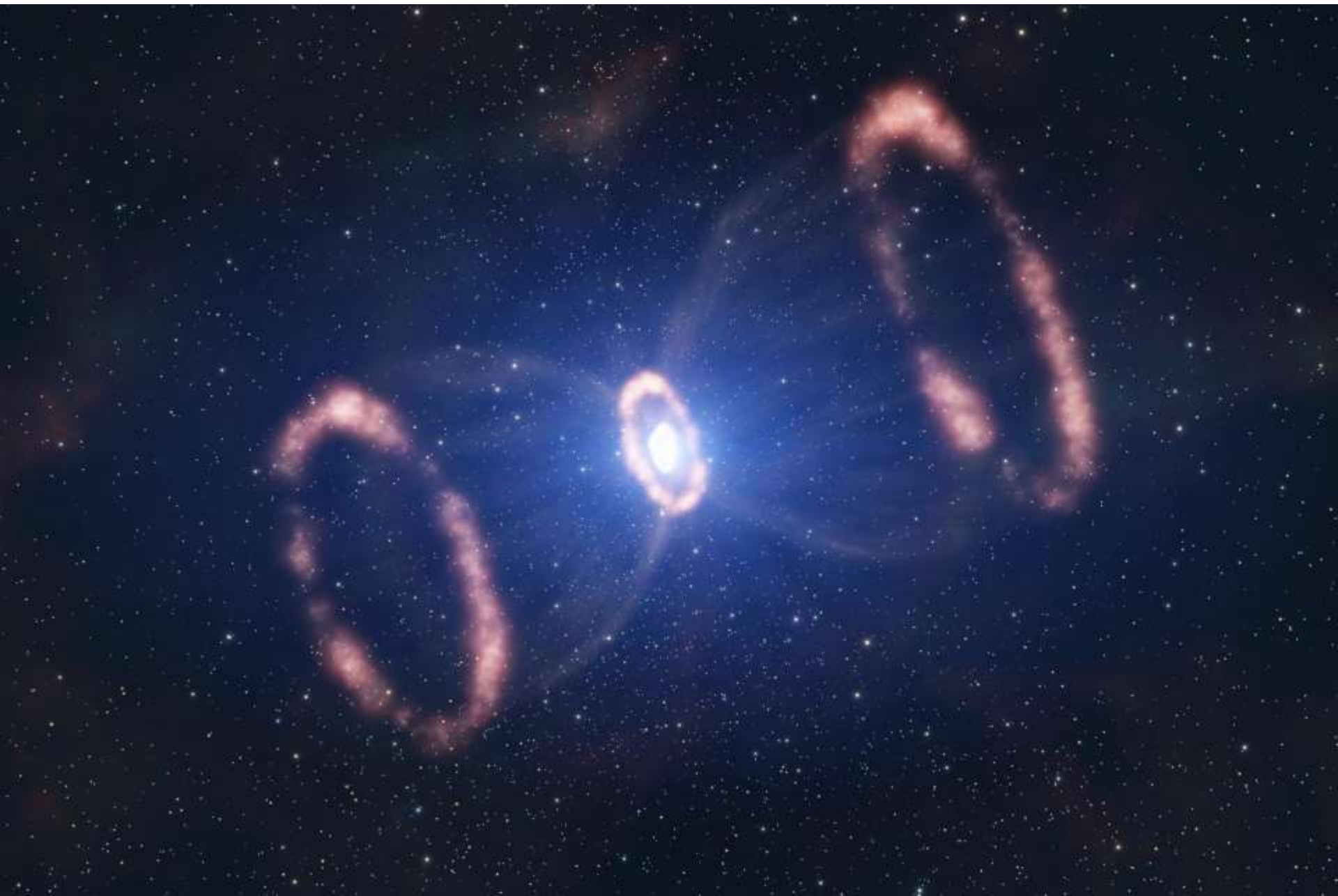


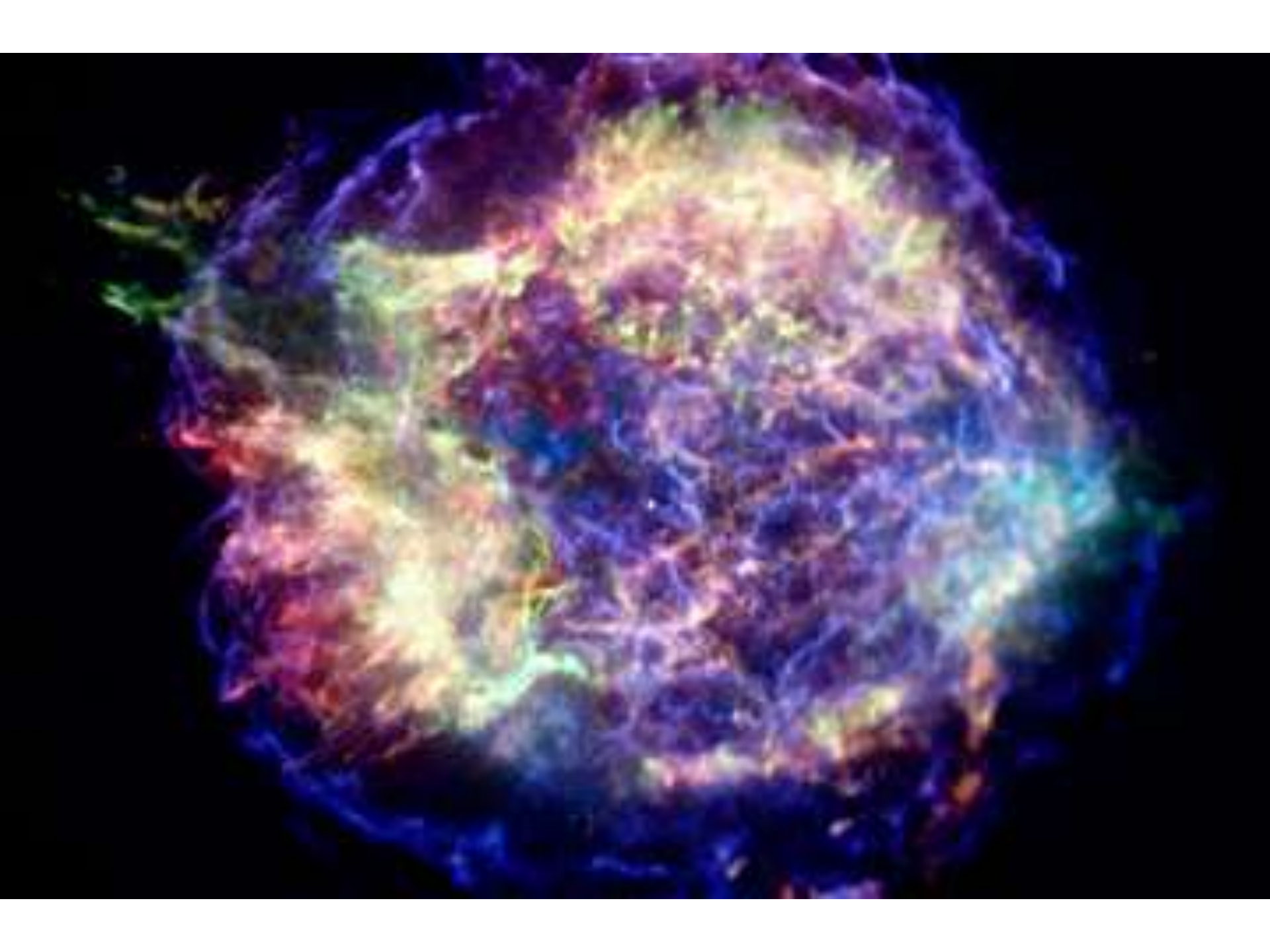
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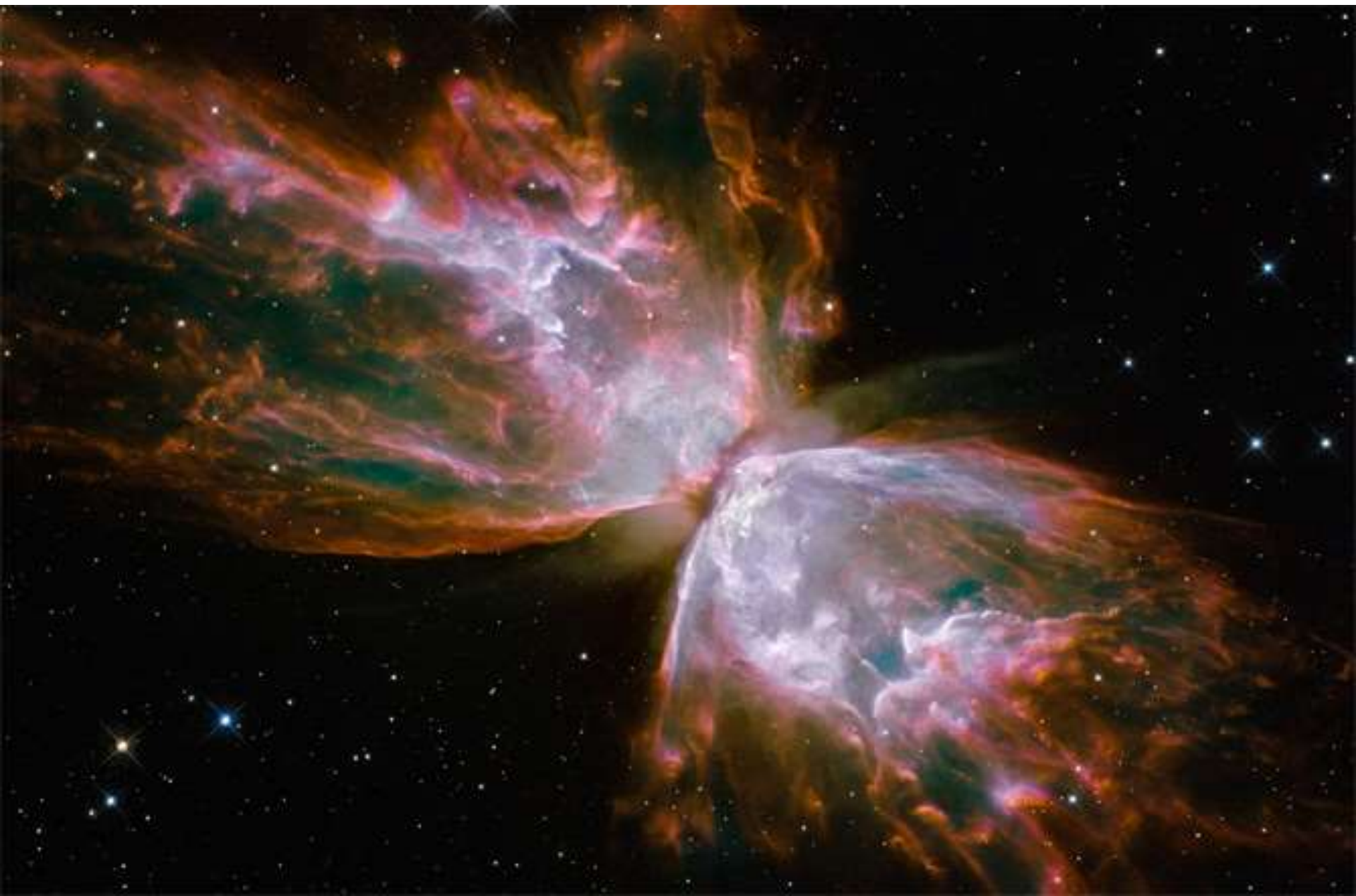
(exploding stars)

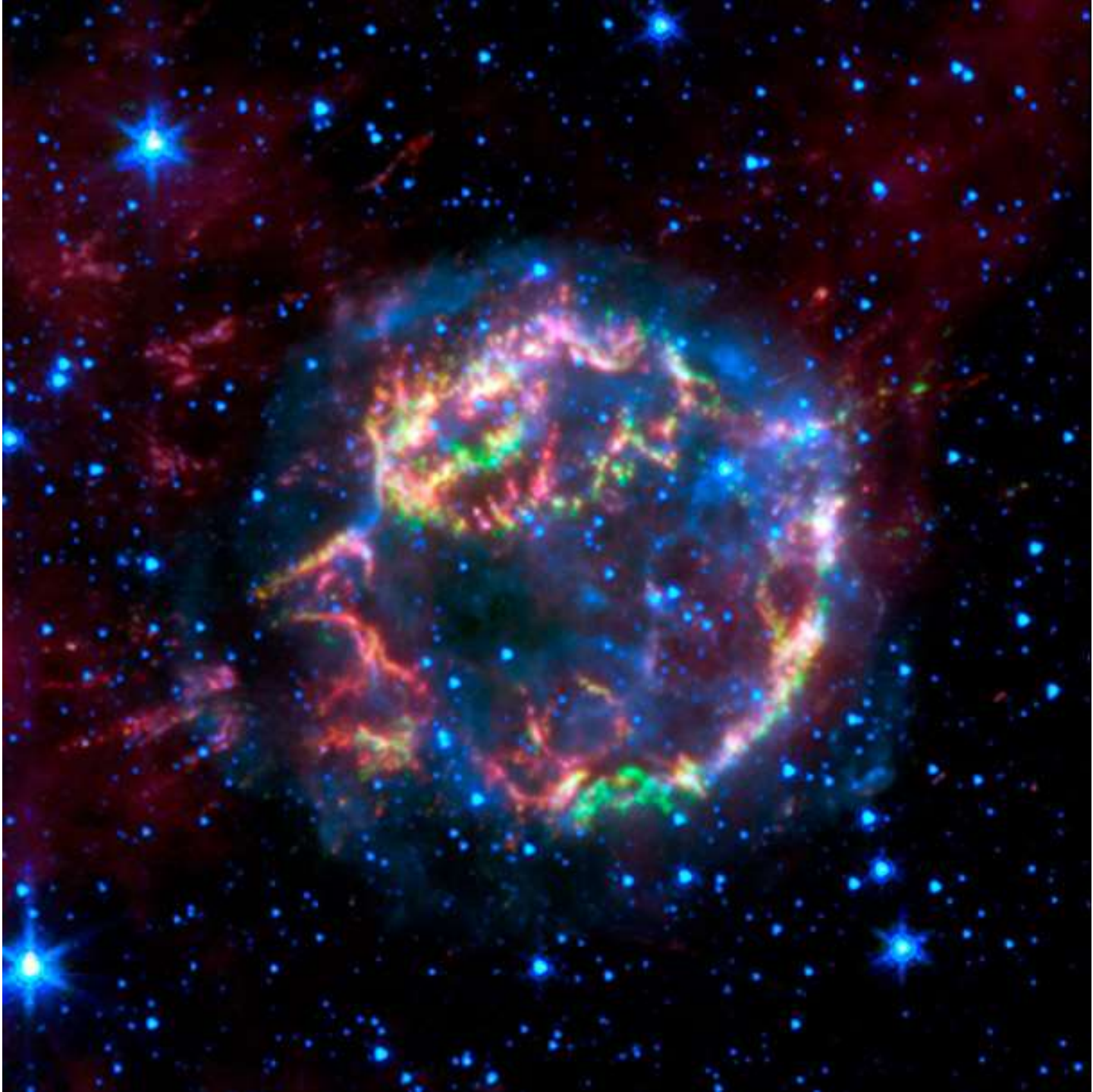






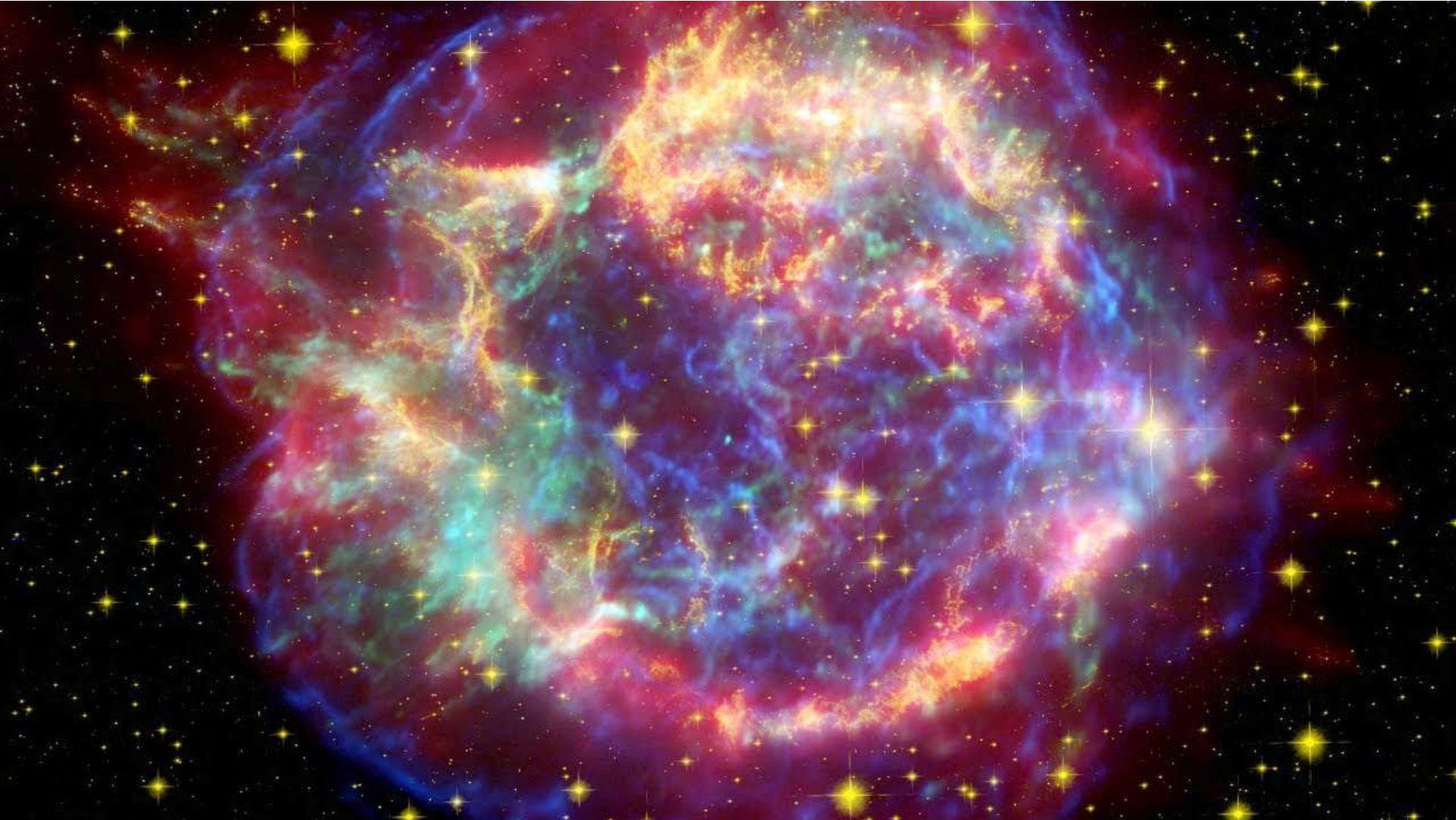














Moon







Ocean



Sunset



Lakes





Mountains







Streams



Waterfalls



Trees



Flowers







Animals









Birds











Fish



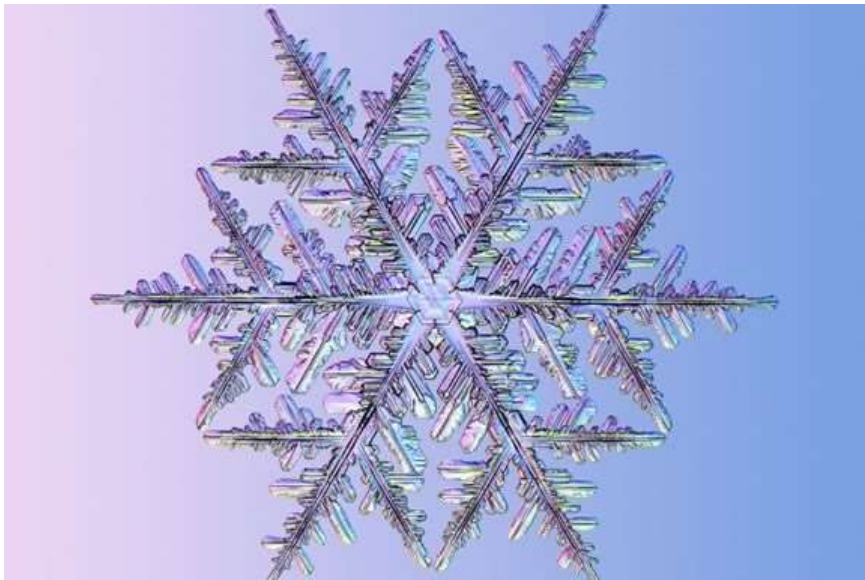


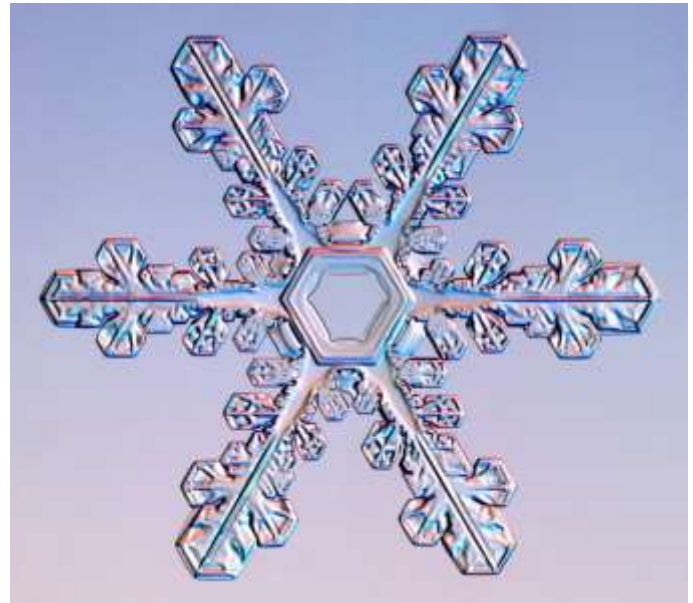
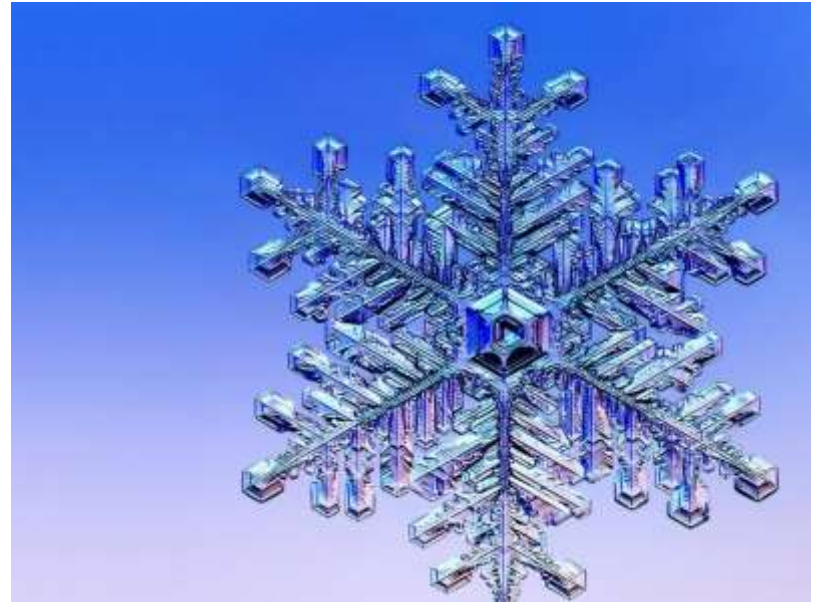


Snowflakes









Caves





Glaciers



Rock Formations







Gem-stones



Summary

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Altruism

(another kind of beauty)

***Beauty of Character
(Altruism)***

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If there is no God

the only kind of Altruism

we can explain (through Evolution)

is altruism that benefits

the propagation of my genes

Unexpected Altruism

Inside a Species

→ helping an injured individual who is not directly related to the helper (Dolphins, Elephants, Turtles)

Across Species

→ Bear saves a Crow from drowning

→ Whale saves a Seal from Orcas

→ Dog saves an abandoned Human baby

Self-Sacrifice

Nobility of Character

- *helping others at risk to self*
- *we see this in all cultures*
- *a man who gives up his seat in a life-boat
(of a sinking ship)*
- *a man who passed the helicopter rope-ladder
to others 6 times (jet-liner crashed in river)*

Jesus → Cross

(the ultimate self-sacrifice)



- **God created you to be his Son/Daughter**
 - in this life and in the one to come (if you so choose)
- **Because of our actions (“sin”) we often cause harm**
 - to ourselves, and/or to others; **this separates us from God**
- **Jesus suffered** in solidarity with our suffering
 - and **to enable reconciliation between us and God**
- **If we accept this, and commit our lives to Him, we can be “Saved”**
 - we can be in relationship with God now, and in the life to come
- **This will start the process of us growing** to be the kind of person who will be a Joy to be with in Heaven for eternity
- **All we have to do is commit our lives to God**
 - based on what Jesus did on the cross for us.

Ask a Christian Pastor

(or email me, LogicalTheist@gmail.com)

- If you wish to commit your life to Christ
 - and if you need any help with that
 - or in how to grow in your relationship with God

Discussion

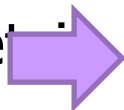
Questions for Discussion

- What did you learn (that was new to you) from this presentation?
- Did it come as a surprise to you that there is Evidence for God?
- Which of these evidences do you think is the most compelling?
- Do you feel that Science, Beauty and Christian Faith are compatible? Why, or why not?
- Was there anything in the presentation that was confusing or not clearly communicated?

•Action Steps

- Provide feedback to me about what topics you would like covered in more detail.

- Read a book that goes into more detail on these topics.



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