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A star is born! Cool video made by an astrophysicist shows a woman relaxing on the grass - before zooming out to show the universe one billion light years away

- The four-year-old video has gone viral after being shared on Facebook
- Danail Obreschkow created it for a University of Western Australia class
- The Perth astrophysicist created the iOS App 'Cosmic Eye' for the video
- It's received 38 millions views on The Science World page since April 11

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An astrophysicist's four-year-old video of a journey from face to space has gone viral this week after being posted on Facebook.

The video, shared by the page 'The Science World' has received 38 million views and 157,000 likes since April 11.

The video was written by Danail Obreschkow at the International Centre for Radio Astronomy Research at the University of Western Australia. Dr Obreschkow even created the iOS App 'Cosmic Eye' to generate the video.

The three minute footage begins on a woman's face and continuously zooms out, revealing a shot of the universe, one billion light years away from Earth.

Cosmic Eye: Perth astrophysicist's viral universe explainer



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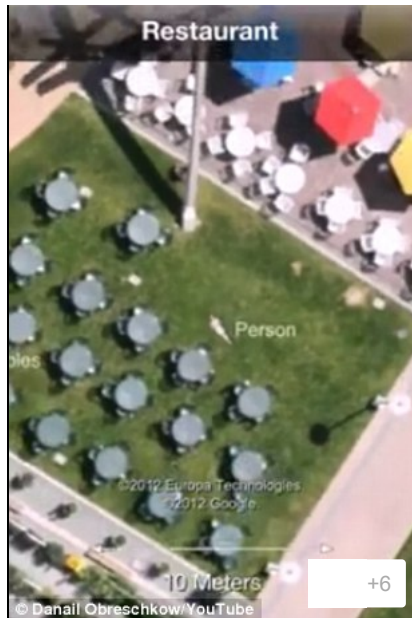


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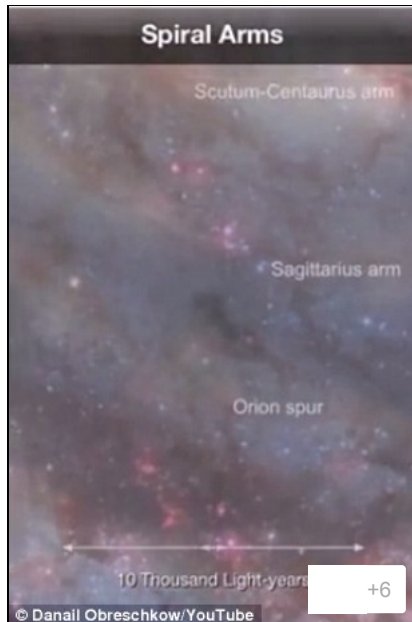


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From face to space: The three minute video begins on a woman's faces and continuously zooms out, revealing a shot of the universe, one billion light years away from Earth

The Perth astrophysicist said to Daily Mail Australia that the video was created to use in a class at the University of Western Australia: 'I was teaching an arts class ... a bunch of 200 non-scientists, and I thought I wanted to do something to explain the different scales of the universe.'

Attempts to gain an audience for the video online were unsuccessful, and had attracted little attention in four years. Dr Obreschkow even paid someone in PR to get the video noticed but nothing came out of it apart from a few hundred views.

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This ball changed when the Facebook page, The Science World, posted the video on April 11 where it was quickly shared around the world wide web: 'I think they post a science video every day and normally they get between 10,000 and 13,000 views,' Dr Obreschkow said, 'This time they got 1,000 times more.'

Dr Obreschkow added that The Science World team were just as surprised by the video's success as he was.

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The movie was created using a smartphone app called 'Cosmic Eye' and displays real photographs and accurate renderings of state-of-the-art computer models.

Dr Obreschkow hasn't made plans for his next video but, is thinking about focusing one around his specialty, the creation of stars: 'What you see in the current video is everything at the same time ... but you don't see how things change over time,' he said. 'I could make a new video that shows you how all these things evolve in time.'

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