

Merritt Microscopy and Friends Present:

THE FIRST MICROSCOPES: WHAT COULD THEY TRULY REVEAL?



We are privileged to present renowned British scientist Brian J. Ford.

***Wednesday May 15 at Merritt College,
12500 Campus Drive, Oakland,
in the Student Lounge, Building R, room
110. Talk begins at 7:30 PM. Doors open
at 6:30. Event is free and open to the
general public.***

Refreshments will be served.

Parking is on the south side of the campus

If you have had the pleasure and privilege of hearing Brian Ford speak, you know that he always surprises his audience with his insightful presentations on science, and microscopy in particular.

We have invited Brian to speak about the astonishing views that early microscopes presented to scientists of the past. He takes us back to visit the Netherlands in the 1600s and also to London, where Leeuwenhoek and Hooke gave birth to the science of microscopy. Professor Ford has recently succeeded—for the first time in history—in obtaining videos using digital image-capture that recreates precisely what was seen by microscopists in the 1600s.

His presentation of this research to the Royal Society of London was a memorable occasion, and today he shows further images from the dawn of microscopy in this vivid presentation.

The scientific journal *Nature* reported: “Ford is the world’s leading expert on the topic, and what he has to say here makes a good deal of sense.”

Brian Ford’s presentation is proudly sponsored by the following organizations and businesses: **Merritt College Microscopy Program, San Francisco Microscopical Society, Northern California Society for Microscopy, Forensic Analytical Laboratories, American Society of Trace Evidence Examiners, California Association of Criminalists, Merritt College Microscopy Club, and Merritt College Biology Club.**