

## **PRESS RELEASE - September 19th 2017**

### **Night Sky 5 - Designed for iOS 11**

#### **Bring the universe into your home!**

iCandi Apps®, the creators of the Night Sky stargazing apps are set to release a completely reimaged version of Night Sky, which makes full use of iOS 11 and ARKit.

Building on an already awe inspiring Augmented Reality experience, Night Sky 5 makes use of the new ARKit technologies for iPhone and iPad, to literally bring the entire solar system into your home or classroom with the new AR Grand Orrery feature.

#### **- AR Grand Orrery**

Bring the Solar System into your home or classroom with the new Grand Orrery feature. Use augmented reality to walk around the entire solar system, manipulating time and space with your fingertips. Walk up to the planets and see them in great detail, view their moons and surrounding satellites. Even see current space missions in our Solar System. Not only can you explore from space, with our new Grand Orrery you're able to actually land on the planets and view the sky from Mars' or Jupiter's moons. The Night Sky Grand Orrery opens up the sky from any vantage point in our entire Solar System. A powerful and magical experience, only possible with Night Sky and iOS 11.

#### **- Night Sky Tours**

Night Sky Tours: New for Night Sky 5, tap Night Sky Tours and receive a spoken tour of the sky above you. A voice will guide you to each constellation currently visible and inform you of the stars. Customize your tour by selecting its duration.

#### **- My Tours**

Create your own Sky Tours for any location and time in the world. Just drop a pin on the world map and Night Sky will generate a Sky Tour for that location and save it into My Tours for quick and easy access. Be sure to create a tour for your favorite camp site, and next summer vacation. Tours now sync between our Apple TV app and the app for iPhone and iPad, so you can view them anywhere.

#### **- My Sky Notifications**

New for Night Sky 5, completely customize your notifications in Night Sky. Favorite any object from satellites to constellations, and be informed when that object is rising for your current location. We've now also included Iridium Flare notifications for your current location. Manage all notifications with a new simple list. Rich notifications appear on your iPhone or iPad with beautiful animations. You'll always be aware when your favorite celestial objects are about to rise.

*"Night Sky 5 takes everything to another level with ARKit and iOS 11. We've just totally changed the way our users experience Space with the new AR Grand Orrery. It's the most engaging and fun way ever to explore planets and even current space missions by bringing them into your home. Prepare for take off!"*

- Andy Weekes, Founder & Company Director, iCandi Apps.

iCandi Apps was founded in 2008 by Andy Weekes, after he was inspired by the introduction of the App Store. Andy went from being a school teacher to creating one of the most successful reference apps in the world. Having achieved number one ranking in numerous markets, Andy has seen success he couldn't have even dreamed of. With the launch of Night Sky 5 with the AR Grand Orrery, Night Sky Tours and the all new My Sky Notifications, iCandi Apps is set to introduce some new technologies which will take Night Sky into its next chapter.

Night Sky 5 is available to download for the iPhone and iPad from the App Store - <https://itunes.apple.com/app/night-sky/id475772902?mt=8>



*Example of AR Grand Orrery in use*