



## **NASA Astronaut Garrett Reisman**

A NASA veteran who flew on all three Space Shuttles, Dr. Garrett Reisman will describe what it was like to fly on the Space Shuttle and what the future holds for human spaceflight in an unforgettably funny and entertaining way.

Dr. Reisman was selected by NASA as a mission specialist astronaut in 1998. His first mission was aboard the Space Shuttle Endeavour which dropped him off for a 95 day stay aboard the International Space Station after which he returned to Earth aboard the Space Shuttle Discovery. His second mission was aboard the Space Shuttle Atlantis. During these missions, Dr. Reisman performed 3 spacewalks, operated the Space Station Robot Arm and was a flight engineer aboard the Space Shuttle. But more importantly, he was featured on multiple episodes of 'The Colbert Report'.

In February of 2011, Dr. Reisman left NASA and is currently the Director of Space Operations for SpaceX in Hawthorne, California. In his new job, he is working with NASA to prepare SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket and Dragon spacecraft to carry astronauts and is responsible for all human interfaces in the crew vehicle. Thus, he is a major player in both the American space program's past and future.

Dr. Reisman will give you an insider's view and describe what it was like to launch into space, see the Earth from orbit, do a spacewalk, live and work in space, and re-enter the Earth's atmosphere. Dr. Reisman will then give you a behind the scenes look at what is coming up next in human spaceflight: a whole new golden age of exploration!

Dr. Reisman is available to give presentations on the following subjects which can also be tailored to a specific audience:

- The Recent Past and Near Future of the American Space Program
- Lessons Learned: Inspiration, Determination, Vision, and Innovation

These two presentations provide a unique combination of humor and inspiration. For more serious and technical presentations, the following topics are also available:

- Apollo 1, Challenger, and Columbia – Failures of Risk Management – What can organizations and individuals learn from these tragedies?
- Simplicity as a Guiding Principle in Engineering Design
- Innovation at NASA and SpaceX – Who does it better and why?

Sample videos of these presentations can be seen on [Garrett Reisman's YouTube Channel](#)