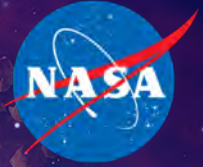


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**Panamá National TV Focus on STEM for Kids**

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# Panamá national TV focus on STEM for kids with NASA GLOBE Clouds



Mentes Curiosas en la NASA feature.  
<https://youtu.be/rEf7yTAP-Ss?t=1003>



NEX TV show Mujer interviewing Mrs. Colón Robles  
<https://youtu.be/PL3IEEzfsMQ>

**Mentes Curiosas en la NASA (Curious Minds at NASA)** is a new weekly segment of an educational show, *Mentes Curiosas*, airing in Panamá through a collaboration between the public media TV station SER-TV and the U.S. Embassy in Panamá. It focuses on introducing children and families to STEM and NASA Hispanic Role Models.

The NASA segment is organized by Dr. Erika Podest, a NASA JPL scientist on the NESEC team, who was contacted by the U.S. Embassy in Panamá (her home country) to see if she could help with educational activities during stay-at-home orders in the country.

The June 2 episode featured Marilé Colón Robles, NASA Langley Research Center and NASA GLOBE Clouds science lead with a challenge for families to draw or take a picture of a cloud of their choice. A live session on June 4 responded to questions submitted and commentaries to all the cloud submissions sent by families in Panama.

On June 10 Mrs. Colón Robles was interviewed by another TV station, NEX TV on their show *Mujer* (or *Woman*) and focused on breaking stereotypes of women and Hispanics in STEM.



Episodes of **Mentes Curiosas en la NASA** during May-June featured Dr. Erika Podest (above), Dr. Jorge Vazquez (a NASA oceanographer), and Patricia Lapadula, an HR communications manager at JPL.

Access all the videos available for *Mentes Curiosas en la NASA* at <https://bit.ly/3efcSxm>

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