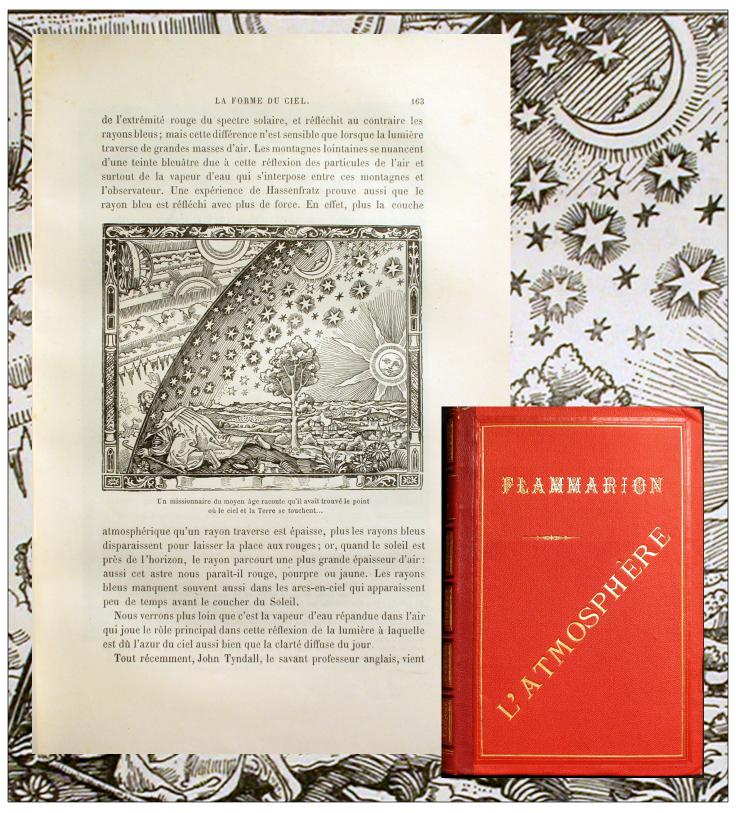
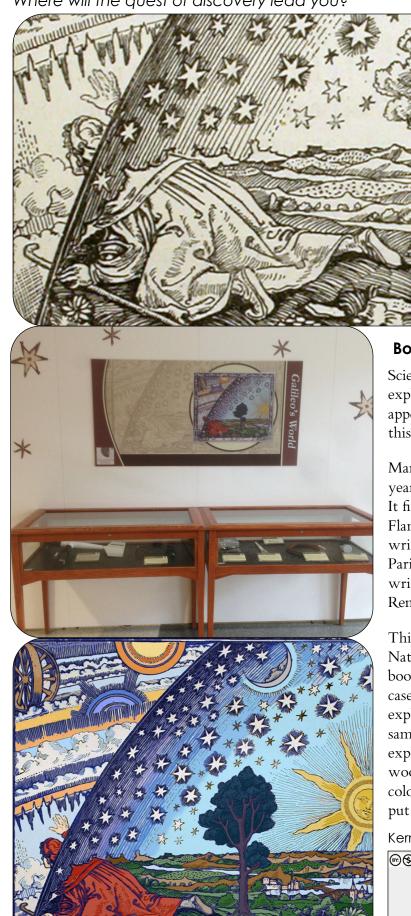
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Camille Flammarion, L'Atmosphère (Paris, 1888)

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## **Boldly Explore: Camille Flammarion (1888)**

Science is a quest of discovery, the challenge of boldly exploring where no one has gone before. That is the appeal and rhetorically durable theme which has made this woodcut so appealing.

Many have reprinted this illustration through the years, sometimes without knowing its original source. It first appeared in this popular work on meteorology. Flammarion was an astronomer and popular science writer who worked at the Juvissy Observatory in Paris. He was mistaken in his belief that scientists, writers and theologians in the Middle Ages and Renaissance regarded the Earth as flat.

This iconic image bookends Galileo's World at the National Weather Center. The exhibit opens with the book and ends with a modern colorized version above cases of current meteorological instruments. Scientists exploring space, Earth and sky today exemplify the same creativity, resourcefulness and determination to explore new worlds of knowledge as the figure in the woodcut. Susanna J. Magruder has provided the colorized version, so create your own wall graphic or put it on a t-shirt or coffee mug!

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