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A Staged Reading of the Play: And the Sun Stood Still: A Play about Nicolaus Copernicus

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The aging Copernicus has shelved his wild idea of a Sun-centered cosmos, choosing instead to make peace with his bishop and concentrate on his private affairs. But a young stranger overturns those intentions when he arrives uninvited at Copernicus's door and pushes him to publish the dangerous theory.

Discussion of the play with the playwright after the staged reading.