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SPACE SHUTTLE (STS-31/DISCOVERY)

STS-31 CREW INSIGNIA — The mission insignia for NASA's Space Shuttle Mission 35 (designated STS-31) features the Hubble Space Telescope (HST) in its observing configuration of the universe. The cosmos includes a stylistic depiction of galaxies in recognition of the contribution made by Sir Edwin Hubble to our understanding of the nature of galaxies and the expansion of the universe. The STS-31 crew points out that it is in honor of Hubble's work "that this great observatory in space bears his name." The depicted Space Shuttle trails a spectrum symbolic of both the red shift observations that were so important to Hubble's work and new information which will be obtained with the HST. Encircling the art work, designed by the crew, are the names of its members: Astronauts Loren J. Shriver, commander; Charles F. Bolden, pilot; and Steven A. Hawley, Bruce McCandless II and Kathryn D. Sullivan, mission specialists.