

## Re: Bush cancels Hubble telescope rescue mission

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Eric Chomko wrote:

- > *I think Mark Whittington in his article on the HST repair:*
- > [http://www.washingtondispatch.com/article\\_10682.shtml](http://www.washingtondispatch.com/article_10682.shtml)
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- > *...makes a very good point. If we plan to go on to the moon and Mars with*
- > *manned missions then we shouldn't flinch at not ding the HST repair due to*
- > *a risk factor. There will ALWAYS be risk.*

I don't see anyone disputing that there's risk in this mission or in Space travel in general.

But some of the questions are:

Is the risk limited to the Shuttle and it's crew, and the HST?

Is the risk worth the gain? the possible losses?

- > *Ah, so it CAN be done, but not with the shuttle. And, with a vehicle that*
- > *we don't have and is simply too expensive. Geez, why do I get the feeling*
- > *we are going backwards instead of forward with all this?*

Does it seem impossible to you that the time it would take NASA to design and build a vehicle, that can go from HST orbit to ISS orbit, would be so long that the question of saving HST is moot?

Question:

What is the status of the NExt Generation Space Telescope?

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Saville

Replicas of 15th-19th century nautical navigational instruments:

<http://home.comcast.net/~saville/backstaffhome.html>

Restoration of my 82 year old Herreshoff S-Boat sailboat:

<http://home.comcast.net/~saville/SBOATrestore.htm>

Steambending FAQ with photos:

<http://home.comcast.net/~saville/Steambend.htm>

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