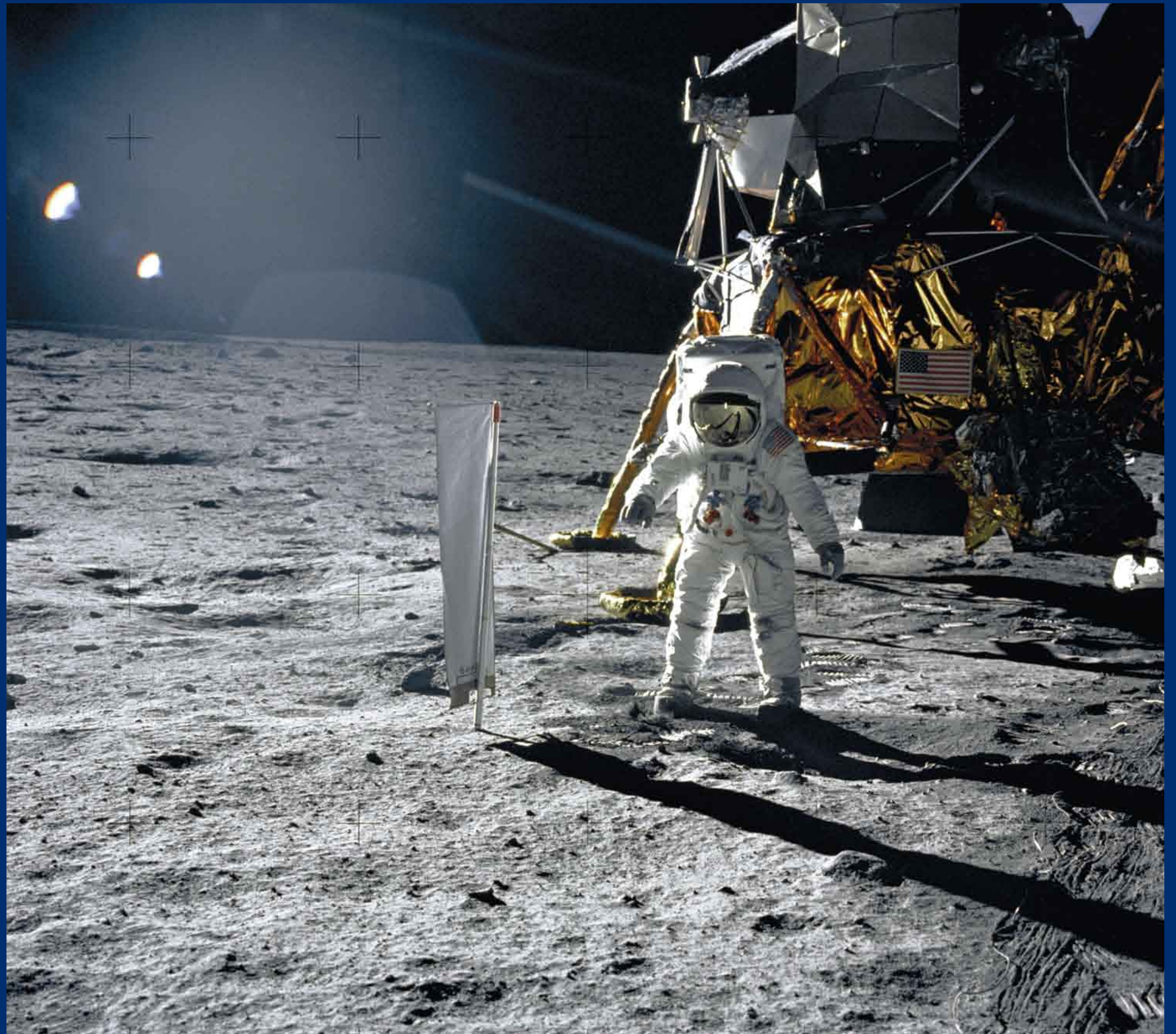


# What Are Your Memories of NASA?



On July 20, 1969, Astronaut Buzz Aldrin was photographed on the lunar surface by Neil Armstrong. Behind Aldrin is Apollo 11's Lunar Module *Eagle*. Photo courtesy NASA

What were you doing when rockets and satellites first flew into space? Or when human beings walked on the moon? Or when tragedies struck the Space Shuttle?

On the occasion of its fiftieth anniversary, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration—in partnership with the Smithsonian Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage—wants to collect and preserve oral histories from members of the public. Please step inside this tent to record your memories of and thoughts about NASA. Think about these questions:

- What is your earliest recollection of NASA?
- What other events do you recall from NASA's first fifty years?
- In what ways has NASA affected your own life?
- If you were NASA's administrator, what would be your highest priorities?
- What is the value of space exploration?
- What is the most notable discovery of the past fifty years relating to space, and what would you like to see discovered during the next fifty years?
- What can NASA do to inspire the next generation?



On February 20, 1962, John Glenn squeezed into the tiny *Friendship 7* spacecraft on his way to becoming the first American to orbit the Earth.

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