Stellar Nursery in the arms of NGC 1672

The barred spiral galaxy NGC 1672, showing up clusters of hot young blue stars along its spiral arms, and clouds of hydrogen gas glowing in red. Delicate curtains of dust partially obscure and redden the light of the stars behind them.

NGC 1672’s symmetric look is emphasized by the four principal arms, edged by eye-catching dust lanes that extend out from the centre.