

MetSoc 2015 NewsLetter (July 23, 2015)

(Fourth Circular)

The MetSoc 2015 **<u>Program</u>** is now available and the printable schedule - both Green and Full version - can be downloaded from the <u>MetSoc 2015 site</u>.

The MetSoc2015 website is being updated frequently. Please read carefully.

IMPORTANT NOTE

On Saturday, August 1 and Sunday, August 2, all BART connections from Berkeley/Oakland to San Francisco will be closed. For those catching a flight from SFO home, take a shuttle or a taxi and take 30-60 minutes extra to get to SFO, since traffic on the Bay Bridge may be heavier than usual (especially in afternoon and evening). The BART to Oakland airport should be running its normal weekend schedule.

See shuttle information in Visitor Information

We have total of 362 pre-registration including 79 students and 19 guests.

ON-SITE MEETING REGISTRATION FEES

	MetSoc Members	MetSoc Non- members	Student members	Student Non- members	Guests
On site registration	\$650	\$730	\$430	\$470	\$320

For participants and guests (accompanying persons), registration fees include conference materials, coffee breaks, welcome party, poster session, farewell party, and banquet dinner. For guests, two day trips are being organized, one bus trip to Muir Woods National Monument (Monday) and one ferry ride to Sausalito (Thursday). More information on the guest trips can be found <u>here</u>

Presentation: Please read presenters information for both oral and poster.

Copyright: Photograph, video, or audio recordings are prohibited for both oral and poster presentations unless permission from the author has been given.

Banquet: The MetSoc Banquet will be held in the open air at Campanile Esplanade, in the center of the UC Berkeley campus at 7 pm on Wednesday, July 29. The weather forecast is good, but it will get chilly after sunset so please bring **warm clothes**. You should bring **both your banquet ticket and conference badge**. Please choose your banquet seating preference at the MetSoc help desk (in Stanley Atrium) starting on Sunday.

MetSoc Meeting welcome and registration: The registration and help desk will be situated at <u>Stanley Hall</u> Atrium during the entire MetSoc week. Presentation check-in and speaker-ready Room is available close by in Stanley Hall Room 179.

Registration will be open Sunday, July 26th between 3pm and 6pm. Pre-registered attendees, please stop by to check-in. The registration desk will open again Monday July 27 at 8:00 and each day thereafter.

Please note, we can accept cash, check, or credit card for onsite new registrations.

The MetSoc 2015 opening ceremony and welcome party will be Sunday July 26 at 6:30 to 9:30 pm, at Haas School of Business, Anderson Auditorium and Bank of America Forum - a couple of minutes walk away from the Stanley Hall conference hub.

Meeting Program and Location: Two parallel oral sessions will be held in Stanley Hall Auditorium and Bechtel Engineering Building <u>Sibley Auditorium</u>, beginning 8:30 Monday July 27. It takes about 2 minutes to walk between the two venues. The parallel sessions continue Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings and afternoons. The MetSoc 2015 Program is now available <u>online</u>.

Refreshments and break-out space are available outside both oral presentation venues. We will serve morning and afternoon coffee/tea in Stanley Hall lower atrium as well as outside Sibley Auditorium (in Garbarini Lounge, Bechtel Engineering Center). No food or drink is permitted in either auditorium; and no smoking is permitted on the whole campus.

The Barringer Invitational Lecture, with guest speaker Professor Geoffrey Marcy, is on Monday July 27 at 7:30 pm in I-House Chevron Auditorium.

The Awards Ceremony and Medal Winners Talks are on Wednesday, July 29, 8:30 to 11:30 in International House Chevron Auditorium.

The MetSoc Business Meeting is in Stanley Hall Auditorium, Thursday July 30 11:45 to 12:30.

The farewell party will be in Stanley Hall Atrium, Friday July 31 from 4:30 to 7:30 pm.

Campus Wi-Fi Access: Wireless Internet access "AirBears2" is available on campus. Visitors have two options to connect: If your institution participates eduroam, you are able to connect securely with your eduroam ID and Wi-Fi key from your home institution. Please visit <u>eduroam.org</u> to see if your home institution offers this service. <u>CalVisitor</u> requires no username or password, you can self-select the CalVisitor Wi-Fi network to get online.

Berkeley local knowledge: All of the MetSoc 2015 venues are within 8 minutes walking distance of each other and local <u>restaurants</u> are plentiful. Public transportation around campus is very good. Most people will not need a car. Average temperature in July/August is 23°C (74 °F) high and 12°C (53°F) low and average rainfall is 0 mm in July, so bring a sweater and Jacket, but leave the umbrella at home.

If you have any questions, please contact <u>us</u>:

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